

Statement by AYEDI on Fatal Flight PS752 in Iran

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Salaam/Peace be upon you:

The Afghan Youth Engagement and Development Initiative (AYEDI) would like to share our deepest and sincerest condolences to the families and loved ones of the 176 passengers killed on Ukrainian Flight PS752 on January 8, 2020 in Tehran, Iran. We grieve and mourn with you.

Afghanistan's President Ashraf Ghani has [confirmed](#) that thirteen Afghan nationals were also on the flight, whose names have not yet been published. We hope that they are remembered and we pray for them and their families.

Justice must be given to those who have lost their lives. As Afghans know all too well, at the end of the day civilians are often the ones who bear the brunt of geopolitical tensions. We stand firmly in solidarity with our Iranian brothers and sisters both here in Canada and across borders globally to advocate for non-violent resolutions.

Inna Lillahi wa inna ilayhi raji'un;
Indeed, to God we belong and to God we shall return (2:156)

With sincere love and solidarity,

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