

# Spokesperson of the Judiciary: The arrest of Nilufar Hamed and Elaha Mohammadi is not related to the Mehsa Amini case

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**Masoud Satayshi, the spokesman of the judiciary, said in his latest press conference that the arrest of Niloufar Hamed and Elaha Mohammadi is not related to "the report of the death of Mrs. Mehsa Amini and the journalistic profession."**

Nilufar Hamed and Elaha Mohammadi have been arrested in connection with the news coverage of the killing of Mehsa (Zina) Amini in the custody of the Irshad patrol

Iranian security agents arrested Nilufar Hamed in his home on the morning of 31 Shahrivar 1401. A week later, Elaha Mohammadi was arrested in her home. In Aban 1401, the Ministry of Information and the Intelligence Organization of the Iranian Revolutionary Guards made a long statement

against the protestors, and by presenting conspiracy scenarios, they specifically accused Elaha Mohammadi and Nilufar Hamed of having connections with foreign governments

Now, the spokesman of the judiciary says, "They have been arrested because of their connection with the United States

The spokesperson of the Judiciary said: "These two defendants cooperated with the hostile American government at times, and a full report on this matter will be made available to the public soon

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While Nilufar Hamed and Elaha Mohammadi are facing accusations such as "collaboration with the hostile government of America, collusion and collusion against national security, and propagandistic activity against the regime", the managers of the newspapers where these two worked said many times that the preparation of these reports was approved They have been

Journalists and media activists in Iran and around the world had repeatedly protested the accusations against Elaha Mohammadi and Nilufar Hamed

Previously, Matthew Miller, the spokesperson of the US Ministry of Foreign Affairs, had denied the accusation of cooperation between these two journalists with this country



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The last court session of these two journalists was held on the 4th of August this year. Their chosen lawyers also managed to meet their clients in person for the first time on Sunday, June 7

I am proud of my performance as a journalist," said Nilufar Hamed, a reporter of Sharq newspaper, in his last court hearing on August 4th

Elaha Mohammadi, another journalist who went to Saqqez to cover the funeral ceremony of Mehsa (Zina) Amini, denied committing any crime and said in her last defense at the Revolutionary Court, "I am proud to have stayed with the people"

Despite widespread requests, the court session was held in private

Tehran Journalists Association and the International Federation of Journalists and thousands of journalists and political and civil activists in Iran and around the world demanded a "fair and public" trial

.It is said that the case of these two journalists is at the stage of signing the verdict

.Apart from these two, dozens of other Iranian journalists have been imprisoned in recent months

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