

[PROVISIONAL TRANSLATION FROM PERSIAN]

[Translator's notes appear in square brackets]

[Personal information has been **redacted**.]

Date: 28 Shahrivar 1323 [19 September 1944]

His Excellency the Prime Minister, Mr. Sa'ed,

Regarding the altercation that happened between Shahroud residents and Baha'is (who started the incident), it is respectfully presented to you that the murdered Baha'i by the name of Mohajer was husband to the aunt of Seyyed Abdulkarim Sadriyeh, Shahroud's representative, and because a number of Baha'is in Shahroud are from Anarak, as is Mr. Sadriyeh, he supports them in various ways.

To make the situation clear for Your Excellency, I find it necessary to bring to your attention that he [Mr. Sadriyeh] definitely always takes the side of the Baha'is and will continue to do so.

[I hope] This will suffice.

Mohammad Bagher (Doustian?) Shahroudi

[Handwritten note under the letter:] Supporting those who are wronged is the duty of everyone. Supporting the truth is the duty of the entire nation. Murdering people with the excuse of them being Baha'i, is savagery. Whoever is known as an Iranian must refrain from taking the side of murderers. Make a response to this matter. 3 Mehr 1323 [25 September 1944]