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Iran: Rejecting Women's Convention undermines Iran's commitment to international human rights standards

Amnesty International today expressed its dismay that Iran's senior legislative body, the Guardian Council (Shoura-ye Negahban) has refused to ratify parliament's proposal on 12 August to accede to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women.

"The women's convention includes standards that are contained in international human rights treaties to which Iran is already a state party, such as the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR)," Amnesty International said. "The Guardian Council's decision therefore undermines Iran's commitment to uphold international human rights standards and fails the aspirations of all Iranian women to have their dignity and place in society measured against international standards relating to women's rights."

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