

# Abbreviations and glossary

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## A

<b>Artesh</b>	Regular army
<b>ASMLA</b>	Arab Struggle for Movement for the Liberation of Ahwaz
<b>Asylum Procedures Directive</b>	Directive 2013/32/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 June 2013 on common procedures for granting and withdrawing international protection.

## B

<b>Basij</b>	Mobilisation
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## C

<b>CJEU</b>	Court of Justice of the European Union
<b>COI</b>	country of origin information

## D

<b>Diyeh</b>	Blood money paid to the victim or their closest relative
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## E

<b>Efsad fil-arz</b>	A crime of 'corruption on Earth', punishable by death
<b>EU</b>	European Union
<b>EU+</b>	Member States of the European Union plus Norway and Switzerland
<b>EUAA</b>	European Union Agency for Asylum

## F

<b>FARAJA</b>	Law Enforcement Command of the Islamic Republic of Iran
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## H

<b>hadd (plural: hudud)</b>	A category of crime under Islamic Law. Punishment for crimes against God prescribed in the Quran, sometimes punishable by death.
<b>Herasat office</b>	A security service in the ministry of Intelligence

## I

<b>IPA</b>	internal protection alternative
<b>IRGC</b>	Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps

## K

<b>KDPI</b>	Kurdistan Democratic Party of Iran
<b>Kolbar</b>	Worker who transports goods on his/her back across the Iran, Iraq, Syria and Türkiye borders (mainly referring to Kurds)

## L

## LGBTIQ

LGBTIQ people are persons:

- who are attracted to others of their own gender (lesbian, gay) or any gender (bisexual);
- whose gender identity and/or expression does not correspond to the sex they were assigned at birth (trans, non-binary);
- who are born with sex characteristics that do not fit the typical definition of male or female (intersex); and
- whose identity does not fit into a binary classification of sexuality and/or gender (queer)

## M

**Moharebeh** A crime of 'waging war against God', punishable by death

## N

**NGO** Non-governmental organisation

## P

**PMOI/MEK/MKO** People's Mojahedin Organization of Iran (PMOI), also known as Mojahedin-e-Khalq (MEK) or Mojahedin-e-Khalq Organization (MKO)

## Q

**QD** Directive 2011/95/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 December 2011 on standards for the qualification of third-country nationals or stateless persons as beneficiaries of international protection, for a uniform status for refugees or for persons eligible for subsidiary protection, and for the content of the protection granted

**(Qualification Directive)**

**QR** Regulation (EU) 2024/1347 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 May 2024 on standards for the qualification of third-country nationals or stateless persons as beneficiaries of international protection, for a uniform status for refugees or for persons eligible for subsidiary protection and for the content of the protection granted, amending Council Directive 2003/109/EC and repealing Directive 2011/95/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council

**(Qualification Regulation)**

**Qesas** Retributive punishment for murder and other violent crimes

## S

<b>Sharia</b>	The religious law of Islam, Islamic canonical law
<b>SOGIESC</b>	Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity and Expression, and Sex Characteristics
<b>Sokhtbar</b>	Fuel carrier (mainly refers to Baluches)

## T

<b>Ta'zir</b>	Crimes punished at the discretion of the judge
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## U

<b>UNHCR</b>	UN High Commissioner for Refugees
<b>UNICEF</b>	United Nations Children's Fund
<b>US</b>	United States of America
<b>USDOS</b>	US Department of State

## Z

**Zina** A criminal offence in Islamic law referring to unlawful sexual intercourse, fornication or adultery.