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Susan Kadis, M.P., Thornhill

Susan Kadis Thornhill MP Hails Passage of Liberal Motion to Refer Senior Iranian Government Officials to the International Criminal Court

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Ottawa- Susan Kadis, M.P. for Thornhill welcomes the successful passage of a Liberal Opposition motion requiring Canada to take a leadership role in taking action under the Genocide Convention and in pressuring the United Nations Security Council to refer senior Iranian Government officials to the ICC. “It’s time to move beyond the rhetoric and put real actions behind our words,” Kadis added.

“This is a very important and necessary first step for the international community in the face of the growing threat posed by Iran. It is imperative, that as a driving force in establishing the ICC, Canada should be leading the way,” stated Mrs. Kadis.

The motion, put forward by the Hon. Irwin Cotler, the Liberal Human Rights critic, was passed at the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs Subcommittee on Human Rights on May 1st, 2007. Conservative Government members voted against the motion with one government member citing that it is not Canada’s responsibility to take action when it is not affected by the direct threat of Iran. “This is disappointing and shows a lack of understanding of the seriousness of the threats,” stated Mrs. Kadis.

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