

1. Arian Gholami (FIN: 12513342) in Rilton Cup 2019

On the 5th of January 2019, Arian Gholami refused to play against Ariel Erenberg from Israel at the Rilton Cup in Sweden.



In the left picture Iran's Supreme Leader Ali Khamenei congratulates chess player Arian Gholami for refusing to play against Israel. The caricature on the right concerns the protest of Iranian human right activists to make chess political.



Officials of the Iran Chess Federation and Sport Ministry honoured him in different ceremonies. They publicly announced in the media that he refused to play due to political reasons and introduced Arian as a national hero.



The Chief Commander of the Islamic Revolution Guards Corps (IRGC) extraterritorial arm (Qods Force), Brigadier General Qasasem Soleimani gives his ring to Arian Gholami for refusing to play against Israel..

2. Alireza Firouzja (12573981) In Grenke Open 2019

In the Grenke Open 2019, the Iranian prodigy Alireza Firouzja forfeited his third-round game as his opponent was an Israeli national: FM Or Bronstein. Iranian media reported that it was a political move.

The screenshot shows the ISNA (Iranian Students' News Agency) website. The main article is titled "امتناع فیروزجا از رویارویی با نماینده رژیم صهیونیستی در مسابقات آلمان" (Alireza Firouzja's refusal to play against the representative of the Zionist regime in Germany). The article text states: "استاد بزرگ شطرنج ایران در مسابقات بین‌المللی گرنک آلمان حاضر به رویارویی با نماینده رژیم اشغالگر قدس نشد. به گزارش ایسنا، علیرضا فیروزجا استاد بزرگ شطرنج ایران در دور سوم مسابقات بین‌المللی گرنک آلمان در حمایت از مردم مظلوم فلسطین حاضر به رویایی با نماینده رژیم اشغالگر قدس نشد. فیروزجا در دور نخست این مسابقات موفق به کسب پیروزی شده بود. در این شرایط کار علیرضا فیروزجا برای مسابقات به عنوان قدامت‌دار، ه‌حما، حضا، د، بخش، سوب، تق، نمتت سا، آ، د، دشا، شد." (The Iranian chess grandmaster did not appear in the international tournament in Germany against the representative of the Zionist regime. According to ISNA, Alireza Firouzja, the Iranian chess grandmaster, did not appear in the third round of the international tournament in Germany in support of the oppressed people of Palestine against the representative of the Zionist regime. Firouzja had won the first round of the tournament. In these conditions, Alireza Firouzja's work for the tournament as a grandmaster, h-hama, h-ha, d, section, sob, taq, nmtt sa, a, d, d-sha, shd.)

<https://www.isna.ir/news/98013113526/>

3. Arian Gholami (FIN: 12513342) in World Junior 2019

In the World Junior 2019, in Chennai, Arian Gholami refused to play against his Israeli opponent Alexander Zlatin in round 4, claiming to the Chief Arbiter that he was ill while failing show up to be checked by the official tournament doctor.

Read more at:

http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/articleshow/71667874.cms?utm_source=contentofinterest&utm_medium=text&utm_campaign=cppst

The Iran Chess Federation officially announced on its website that he deliberately refused to play against the Israeli opponent.



Later, due to private complaint from FIDE, Iran Chess Federation purged this report from the website, but continued to advertise it on other official Farsi websites.

4. M. Amin Tabatabaei (FIN: 12521213) in World Junior 2019

In the World Junior 2019 in Chennai, Amin Tabatabaei failed to turn up for his sixth round clash on board 11 against his Israeli opponent, like Arian he submitted a medical certificate, but refused to be checked by the tournament doctor, and Iranian media and also Indian media announced that it was a political move:

<https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/sports/chess/iran-israel-politics-plays-out-at-world-junior-chess/articleshow/71667874.cms>



All reports in Iranian media indicates that it was a political move. Above is a screenshot from IRNA (The Islamic Republic News Agency www.irna.ir/news/83522894/) where it is written that Amin refused to play against an opponent from the “Zionist” regime.

The Iran Chess Federation also announced on its website that Tabatabaei refused to play against a player from the “Zionist regime”.

: <https://www.irfc.ir/News/detail/4914/%D8%AA%D8%AF%D8%A7%D9%88%D9%85-%D8%B5%D8%AF%D8%B1%D9%86%D8%B4%DB%8C%D9%86%DB%8C-%D8%B9%D9%84%DB%8C-%D9%86%D8%B3%D8%A8-%D8%AF%D8%B1-%D9%85%D8%B3%D8%A7%D8%A8%D9%82%D8%A7%D8%AA-%D9%82%D9%87%D8%B1%D9%85%D8%A7%D9%86%DB%8C-%D8%B4%D8%B7%D8%B1%D9%86%D8%AC-%D8%AC%D9%88%D8%A7%D9%86%D8%A7%D9%86-%D8%AC%D9%87%D8%A7%D9%86>

5. Withdrawal from World Youth Chess Olympiad

Only 2 days before the start of the event, the Iranian Chess Federation decided to withdraw from the event, after receiving a warning from FIDE regarding forfeiture against Israel.



<https://www.isna.ir/news/98080502474/>

The president of Iranian Chess Federation, Mehrdad Pahlavanzadeh, in his interview with ISNA News Agency implies that they withdraw from event because of Israeli Team.

6. Mobina Alinasab (12528897) Ellobregat Open 2019

Mobina Alinasab was forced to not play against an Israeli player due to political pressure in the 2019 Ellobregat Open Chess Group A in Spain. According to Tasnim News Agency the officials honoured her in a ceremony.



<https://tn.ai/2166415>

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Iranian chess player refuses to compete with Zionist regime representative

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Chess Master Mobina Ali Nasab

Iranian female chess player refused to compete with the Zionist Regime representative in support of oppressed Palestinian people.

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7. Parham Maghsoodloo (12539929) and Amin Tabatabaei (FIN: 12521213)

In the sixth edition of the Sunway Sitges chess festival in Spain, Amin Tabatabaei (FIN:12521213) and Parham Maghsoodloo, (FIN (12539929) played against Israeli players in the Night Blitz without checking their opponent's nationality. This caused huge problems for them. Even before

returning to Iran, they were forced to apologise. Parham, in order to protect himself, was forced to criticize the Israeli government.

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ممكن است این حرفم را عدهای باور کنند و عدهای باورشان نشود اما واقعیت این است که در مسابقات سنگین و فشرده شطرنج، گاهی حتی اسم و فامیل حریفانمان را هم دقیق و درست نمی‌بینیم؛ چه برسد به ملیت‌شان. پس حرفم را باور کنید.



استاد بزرگ شطرنج ایران گفت: رژیم صهیونیستی در نگاهم رژیمی ستمگر و آوده بوده و هست.

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They had no idea that their opponents were from Israel (Because it was an overnight blitz where results were not being uploaded on the chess-results website during the event).

The President of the chess Federation also announced to the media that it was an accident and Iranians will never play against Israeli opponents again. (Mehr News Agency) mehnews.com/xQPvj

8. Iran's Parliament

After Parham and Amin played against Israeli players (See. 6), Iran's Parliament wrote to the Sport Minister. See document below:

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هیئت رئیسه محترم

خواهشمند است برابر ماده (۲۰۶) آیین‌نامه داخلی مجلس شورای اسلامی، تذکر زیر را ابلاغ و خلاصه آنرا در جلسه علنی مجلس قرائت فرمایید.

مخاطب: جناب آقای مسعود سلطانی فر وزیر محترم ورزش و جوانان

خلاصه تذکر:

علی رغم آگاهی از حضور نمایندگان پر تعداد رژیم صهیونیستی در مسابقات شطرنج اسپانیا، چرا دو ورزشکار کشورمان علی رغم آگاهی از حضور نمایندگان اسرائیل به مسابقات اعزام شدند و با آنها مسابقه داده اند علاوه بر این خطا این موضوع با اعمال و سکوت وزارت ورزش و کمیته ملی المپیک نیز همراه بوده است؟

شرح تذکر:

با وجود آگاهی از حضور بیش از ۱۰ ورزشکار صهیونیست در مسابقات بین المللی اسپانیا، دو ورزشکار کشورمان اعزام شده و با آنها مسابقه داده اند. این اتفاق در حال روی داده که فدراسیون در جریان اعزام و جزئیات آن قرار داشته است. چرا این اعمال و سهل انگاری در فدراسیون شطرنج، عطف به سوابق مربوط به ماه های اخیر، صورت گرفته است؟ وزارت ورزش و کمیته ملی المپیک چه اقدامی بازدارنده ای در قبال این موضوع داشته اند؟ نهاد حراستی ورزش کشور در این ماجرا چه نقشی ایفا کرده است؟ آیا دغدغه منافع ملی و پایبندی به اصول اساسی انقلاب اسلامی، بر ورزش کشور حاکمیت دارد؟

Photo: Iran's parliament officially warned the sport Minister about chess players who played against Israelis. <https://www.tarafdari.com/node/1492772>

However, apologising publicly by the players was not the end of the story and as a consequence, the Sport Ministry and the Iran Chess Federation decided to cancel male players' participation in the World Rapid and Blitz 2019. This was a totally unacceptable decision for Alireza Firouzja.

9. Alireza Firouzja (12573981) Participation in the World Rapid and Blitz

When the Iranian Chess Federation cancelled the participation of its male players to the World Rapid and Blitz 2019, in order to prevent Iran-Israel pairings, Alireza realised that the only way he could fulfill his enormous talent, was to play under the FIDE flag.

Had the Iranian Chess Federation not broken the FIDE Charter yet again, this move would not have been necessary.

In an interview with Tasnim News Agency, the president of Iran Chess Federation, accounted that it was a political decision and players didn't play in the World Rapid and Blitz in order to avoid facing Israeli players. He also announced that due to this matter, Firouzja changed his flag.

پهلوان زاده: فکر می‌کنم قرعه ممنوعه به شطرنج بازگردد/ با فیروزجا و خادم‌الشریعه به نقطه مشترکی نرسیدیم

رئیس فدراسیون شطرنج از احتمال بازگشت «قرعه ممنوعه» به شطرنج خبر داد.

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به گزارش خبرنگار ورزشی خبرگزاری تسنیم، مهرداد پهلوان‌زاده در گفت‌وگوی تلفنی با برنامه «مرکز» درباره خواهی شطرنج ایران در ماه‌های اخیر گفت: برخی مسائل از جمله اینکه مسئولان ورزش اعلام کردند به دلیل احتمال روتاریوی یا ورزشکاران رژیم صهیونیستی ورزشکاران به مسابقات اعزام نشوند باعث شد شطرنج‌ازان وضعیت تنگی و نامشخص داشته باشند. اما با تلاش مسئولان این معضل را رفع کردیم و فکر می‌کنم در اجلاس فدراسیون جهانی شطرنج در ماه آینده، قرعه ممنوعه دوباره به شطرنج باز گردد.

وی درباره آخرین وضعیت علیرضا فیروزجا و سارا خادم‌الشریعه که علیه فدراسیون مصاحبه کرده بود، اظهار داشت: نتوانستیم به نقطه مشترکی با این دو شطرنج‌باز برسیم و وضعیت آنها مثل قبل است.

Pahlevanzadeh also announced that Forbidden pairing is going back to FIDE again

<https://tn.ai/2192735>

10. Iraj Sabah (12503096)

In the 2019 FIDE World Senior Chess tournament in Romania, Iraj Sabah was paired against Eran Wolf from Israel in round 2. Due to the inevitable political coercion, he had no option other than to withdraw from the event. Iranian official media reported that it was a political decision.



<https://www.isna.ir/news/98082315297/>

11. Sarasadat Khademalsharieh (12512214) In World Rapid and Blitz 2019

After complaining against Iranian policy regarding Israel in an interview with ChessBase India, <https://twitter.com/nigelshortchess/status/1210285725465354244?lang=en> the former World Rapid and Blitz silver medallist faced serious problems in Iran. She was stopped at the airport and denied the opportunity of participating in the Gibraltar Open 2020 and also the FIDE Grand Prix.

12. Pouya Idani (12503096) 2020

In January 2020, Pouya Idani played in the Gibraltar Masters Chess Festival and due to political reasons he had to refuse to play against an Israeli opponent. Iranian official media reported that it was a political decision. <https://tn.ai/2187833>

13. Iran's Guardian Council Rejects National Olympic Committee's Charter 2020

The Guardian Council rejected the proposed charter of the National Olympic Committee of the Islamic Republic of Iran (N.O.C.I.R. IRAN) and sent it back to the government for revisions, the Spokesman for the Guardian Council, Abbasali Kadkhodaei has said.

Mr. Kadkhodaei made the comments at a July 11 press conference in Tehran, during which he released the Guardian Council's ruling on the N.O.C.I.R. Iran's proposed charter.

The Guardian Council found 14 issues with the draft proposal of the charter, three of which it said violated the Iranian Constitution and religious principles, the semi-official Fars news agency reported.

The council's principal objection was to those articles in the charter that protected the N.O.C.I.R. Iran against political, social, and religious pressures and rejected gender discrimination.

In its decision, the Guardian Council urged the government to remove Article 16 of the charter which opposes "political, legal, religious, economic pressures and rejects gender discrimination."

The council said the article "violated religious principles and Articles 4, 12 and 13 of the constitution."

<http://fna.ir/eybi3>

