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The World Needs To Know About IHMS and Australian Immigration

The Australian government must answer us. 'What has happened with Faysal?' IHMS is a criminal system and must answer to us why they did not care about the many complaints Faysal wrote about his heart problem and headaches. Many times Faysal collapsed and all of us here knew that he was seriously sick for more than 6 months. More than 60 people wrote a letter to IHMS and explained to them how Faysal is sick and has constant headache and heart problem but they did not care. Every day Faysal went to medical asking for help. They did not help him. A few days ago a nurse in IHMS told Faysal that he was fine and didn't need medical treatment. Now we know he has died. The government and IHMS must know that they cannot hide the truth and we in Manus prison are caring about our friend and will follow up and tell the truth to people of how the Australian government killed him.

IHMS is obviously a criminal medical system, as criminal as the Australian immigration. This system has forgotten all its values and dignity that a health provider has to be obliged to. It has forgotten the values and dignity of protecting the health of people and is instead protecting its financial interests and benefits. This is a crime that shouldn't be ignored easily. In relation to Hamid Khazaei's death, IHMS claims that it did its best to save his life, but the immigration department didn't allow his transfer. The question is why IHMS works in the system that doesn't give it the power it needs to help patients. Why does this company renew its contract with immigration for its financial interest? I - as a person who deeply understands how IHMS is used by immigration as a means of torture - suggest advocates and the Australian human rights institutions make a complaint against IHMS to the international organisations which observe the medical and health institutions. As a result of the complaint, IHMS will be convicted of conducting criminal activities and ignoring the values and dignities that it has to apply as a health provider. Doctors Without Borders, World Health Organisation and other international health organisations need to know the nature of IHMS.

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