



Date: November 22, 2024

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Dear [REDACTED]

This letter refers to your application for permanent residence in Canada received on May 6, 2021.

As you may be aware, permanent resident applications are processed in two stages: eligibility and admissibility. The second stage of the process involves certain evaluations including a security assessment. If an officer finds you inadmissible pursuant to sections 34, 35, and/or 37 of the *Immigration and Refugee Protection Act*, your application for permanent residence will be refused.

I have reviewed your immigration history, permanent resident application and submissions and I have identified concerns surrounding your membership in the IRGC / Sepah from April 21st, 2013 to January 21st, 2015.

The IRGC (also known as Sepah) was a designated a terror organization by the Canadian government in July 2024, however this designation implicates the IRGC's entire history. You stated that you served your mandatory service with the Sepah. As membership does not have a temporal element this makes past members inadmissible.

Please be advised that your application for permanent residence in Canada may be refused if you are determined to be inadmissible under subsection 34(1)(f) for (a)&(c) of the *Immigration and Refugee Protection Act* (IRPA) which states:

33 The facts that constitute inadmissibility under sections 34 to 37 include facts arising from omissions and, unless otherwise provided, include facts for which there are reasonable grounds to believe that they have occurred, are occurring or may occur.

Security

34 (1) A permanent resident or a foreign national is inadmissible on security grounds for [...]

(b) engaging in or instigating the subversion by force of any government;

[...]



(c) engaging in terrorism;

[...]

(f) being a member of an organization that there are reasonable grounds to believe engages, has engaged or will engage in acts referred to in paragraph (a), (b), (b.1) or (c).

Based on your previous membership in the IRGC, **I have reasonable grounds to believe you may be inadmissible to Canada under S.34(1)(f) for (b)/(c)**. ie membership in an organization that has engaged in subversion and terrorism.

Pursuant to subsection 21(1) of the IRPA, in order to become a permanent resident **you must satisfy an officer that that you are not inadmissible** to Canada. Before rendering a final decision, I would like to provide you with an opportunity to respond and address my concerns surrounding your potential inadmissibility. At this time, you may also wish to update your application for permanent residence and provide any information you would like considered as part of this application.

The requested information must be received in our office within 31 days of this letter, by December 23, 2024. All documents must be originals and accompanied by an official translation if they are not written in English or in French. **Please reply directly to this email and ensure your application number is included in the subject line.**

If you need more time to respond to this letter, please write to us by December 23, 2024 outlining your reasons and the length of the expected delay. If we do not receive any information from you within 31 days, a final decision on your application may be made based on the information currently available, which could result in a refusal.

Thank you, in advance, for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Senior Immigration Officer
Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada



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