

“Hostage Aid Worldwide Honors Former Hostage Anoosheh Ashoori”



February 09, 2023 – On February 08, 2023, Hostage Aid Worldwide members Nizar Zakka and Geoffrey Dive met with Anoosheh Ashoori, former British hostage who was released from captivity in Iran on March 16th, 2022.

Anoosheh was kidnapped in August 2017 when he went to Tehran to visit his elderly mother who just had knee surgery. He was convicted of spying for Israel's Mossad intelligence agency and sentenced to 12 years. "It wasn't me who was important," he said. "It was the passport that was being arrested - but the holder of that passport was me."

Hostage Aid proudly presented Anoosheh with a token of recognition and appreciation for his inspiring journey. From having survived his indescribable ordeal in an interrogation center, to running the London Marathon upon his release, Anoosheh was honored for his courage, resilience and strength in the face of the injustice he experienced.

Hostage Aid is immensely thankful for Anoosheh's freedom as well as his commitment to do everything within his ability to support others still wrongfully detained and their families.

We are honored to consider Anoosheh a lifelong member of Hostage Aid and wish him all the best on his journey of reintegration and 'long overdue' freedom.



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