

The President

Mr Rasoul Hashemkandi Assadi President Cycling Federation of The Islamic Republic of Iran

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Dear President,

I am deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Ms Ariana Valinejad, a talented young cyclist, and a promising figure in Iranian cycling. On behalf of the Union Cycliste Internationale (UCI), I extend my heartfelt condolences to you, her family, and the entire Iranian cycling community.

Ms Ariana Valinejad's achievements in both Track cycling and Road cycling showcased her immense potential as a future star of women's cycling. She was admired by all who knew her, and her departure is deeply felt within the global cycling family.

We join you all in mourning this tragic loss.

With my warmest regards,

David Lappartient President IOC Member