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Dr. Ramin Jahanbegloo is a well-known Iranian-Canadian philosopher. He received his B.A. and M.A. in Philosophy, History and Political Science and later his Ph.D. in Philosophy from the Sorbonne University. In 1993 he taught at the Academy of Philosophy in Tehran. He has been a researcher at the French Institute for Iranian Studies and a fellow at the Center for Middle Eastern Studies at Harvard University. Ramin Jahanbegloo served as the head of the Department of Contemporary Studies of the Cultural Research Centre in Tehran and, in 2006-07, he was the Rajni Kothari Professor in Democracy at the Centre for the Study of Developing Societies in New Delhi, India. He is the author of more than 24 books in Persian, English, and French on philosophy, comparative politics and nonviolence. Among his books are *Conversations with Isaiah Berlin* (Phoenix, 2000), *Iran: Between Tradition and Modernity* (Lexington Books, 2004), *Gandhi: Aux Sources de la Nonviolence* (Felin 1999), *Penser la Nonviolence* (UNESCO 1999), *The Clash of Intolerances* (Har-Anand 2007), *India Revisited* (Oxford University Press, 2007) and *The Spirit of India* (Penguin 2008) *Beyond Violence* (Har-Anand 2009) *The Gandhian Moment* (Harvard University Press 2013), *Democracy in Iran* (Palgrave 2013) *Introduction to Nonviolence* (Palgrave 2014) and lately his autobiography entitled: *Time Will Say Nothing* (University of Regina Press 2014). He was arrested in April 2006 at the Tehran airport as he was about to leave the country to attend an international conference. He was placed in solitary confinement in a security wing of Evin prison for 125 days. He is presently an Associate Professor of Political Science and a Noor-York Visiting Chair in Islamic Studies at York University and an advisory board member of PEN Canada. Ramin Jahanbegloo is the recipient of the 2009 Peace Prize awarded by the Association for the United Nations in Spain for his extensive academic works in promoting dialogue between cultures and his advocacy for non-violence. He is also the winner of the Josep Palau i Fabre International Essay Prize in 2012.

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