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CORSIER-SUR-VEVEY (September 12) – United World Wrestling has learned that the scheduled execution of Iranian wrestler Navid Afkari took place this morning in Iran.

It is deeply upsetting that the pleas of athletes from around the world and all the behind the scene work of United World Wrestling and the National Iranian Wrestling Federation, the IOC together with the NOC of Iran did not achieve our goal. The news is devastating and the entire wrestling community mourns his death.

Our thoughts are with the family and the friends of Navid Afkari.

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