IR Leader condoles with Ayatollah Montazeri's demise - 20 /Dec/ 2009

Islamic Revolution Leader, Ayatollah Sayyed Ali Khamenei issued a condolence statement over the demise of Ayatollah Hussein Ali Montazeri.
The statement reads as follows.
I received the sad news of the demise of the honorable Islamic jurisprudent Ayatollah Hossein-Ali Montazeri. He was a knowledgeable Islamic jurisprudent and a prominent scholar, and many students benefited from his knowledge.
He spent a major portion of his life serving the late Imam Khomeini's movement. He made many selfless efforts and endured many hardships on this path.
During the latter stages of Imam Khomeini's auspicious life, he went through a difficult and critical test, and I ask Allah the Exalted to bestow mercy and forgiveness on him in light of the hardships he endured.
I extend my condolences to all of his family members, particularly to his honorable wife and children, and I pray to God to bestow mercy and blessing on him.
Sayyed Ali Khamenei
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