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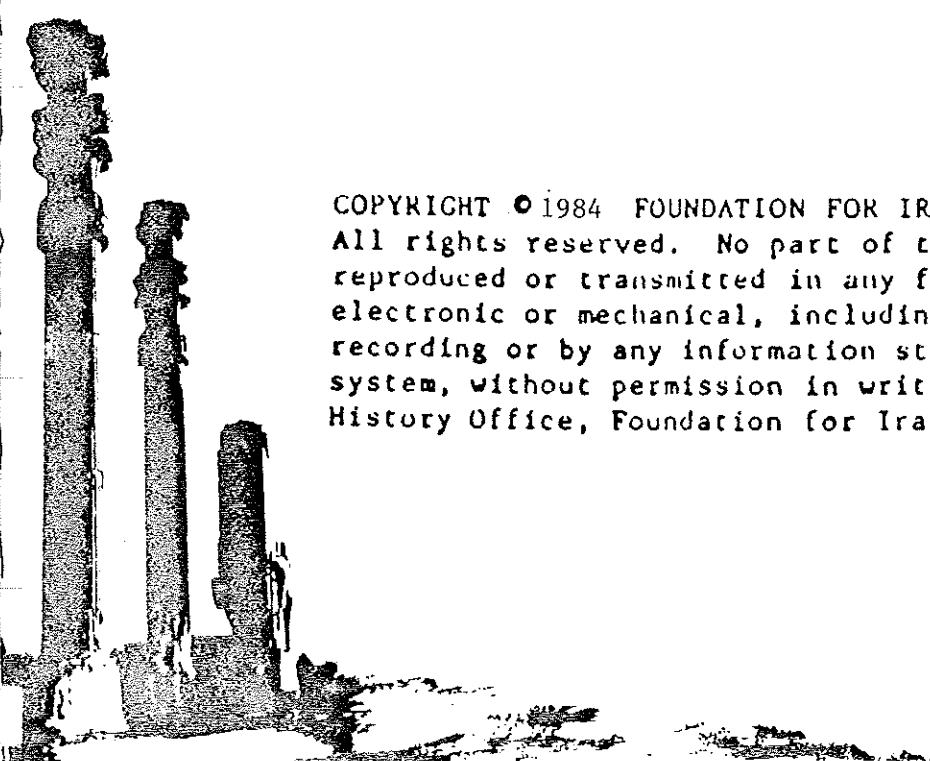
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INTERVIEW WITH DR. SHOKUH

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#### PREFACE

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## BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Dr. Shokuh was born in Tehran to an educated Baha'i family. She studied in Norway and England, receiving her Doctoral degree in Medicine and Laboratory Sciences. Upon her return to Iran she married a political scientist, and began a career in laboratory work. In this regard, she participated in the development of medical laboratory systems across Iran, and contributed to noteworthy projects such as one pertaining to the water supply of the city of Tehran.

Following the revolution, given her professed faith in Baha'ism, she was persecuted by the revolutionary regime. She was removed from her official position as the head of one of Tehran's most important medical laboratories, arrested, interrogated and tried. Her husband faced a worse fate as he was also arrested and subsequently executed. Following her release from custody, Dr. Shokuh left Iran for the U.S., where she now lives.

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#### BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

It was the wish of the interviewee to remain anonymous and to use the pseudonym, Shokuh for the purposes of these interviews.

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IN HER INTERVIEW FOR FEAR OF PERSECUTION. THERE  
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