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Subject: On confronting the deviant mini-groups and on campaigning

against corruption and drug addiction

The official: Islamic Revolutionary Prosecutor of Tehran, Morteza Eshraqi

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In a news conference, Haj Aqa Morteza Eshraqi, Islamic Revolutionary Prosecutor of Tehran, answered reporters' questions on the recent overhaul of the Islamic Revolutionary Prosecutor's Office and its campaigns against corruption and narcotics, the Val'adiat Project [Qur'anic verse on raiding the enemy; also a code name for an anti-drug operation in Iran] and its plan to increase the punishment for crimes related to procuring, distributing, selling, and transferring narcotics....

On the issue of confronting the mini-groups [banned dissident groups], Tehran's Revolutionary Prosecutor stated that since these individuals are *mohareb* or outlaws, the Islamic Revolutionary Prosecutor's' Office continues its efforts to pursue and investigate their acts, in which regard it has hitherto issued many verdicts....