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**Viewpoint** 

### Warmongers Axe Their Own Feet in Warsaw as **Iran's Star Rises**

By: Kayhan Int'l Staff Writer

Defeated at every turn by Iran over the past forty years, a demoralized US in a desperate bid to delay the downfall of a deranged racist-terrorist Zionist ringleader – if not of Israel's impending doom itself – held a theatrical show in Warsaw and indulged in the most senseless rhetoric against the Islamic Republic even while saner world leaders were meeting in Sochi to resolve important regional issues.

Superpowers Russia and China refused to attend the 2-day farce in the Polish capital, and so did Federica Mogherini, the influential Foreign Policy Chief of the European Union, as well as a major regional power and NATO member Turkey, while none of the other 60 participating countries were represented by a president or a prime minister to join the likes of US vice president, Mike Pence, and Benjamin Netanyahu - both of whom raved and ranted in the most roguish manner for what they dream of changing the system of government in Iran.

It is obvious that Washington has reached its wit's end, and so have its clients in the Arab world, especially the spurious British-created fiefdom of Saudi Arabia, which though represented by lower level officials, took pride in rubbing shoulders with the Great Satan and the Zionist Devil.

The unholy Trinity, which views the rising influence in the region of the popular system of government in Iran, could hardly conceal its joy in collaborating with takfiri terrorists yet once again in the cowardly killing in southeastern Iran near the Pakistani border of some unsuspecting 27 Iranian security forces riding a bus as the meeting of the mendacious opened in Poland – a country that to the embarrassment of the EU is pursuing a series of anti-democratic steps by silencing independent media, politicizing security services and undermining the judicial system.

Pence and other US officials lavished praise on the Polish hosts for their slavish attitude towards Washington, while the home country's foreign minister, Jacek Czaputowicz, though admitting that representatives of the three big European powers, Germany, France, and Britain, had spoken about the benefits of JCPOA (Joint Comprehensive Plan Of Action) or the international nuclear deal with Iran from which Donald Trump the Dotard illegally withdrew, criticized the Special Purpose Vehicle that the EU has formed to continue trade with the Islamic Republic by circumventing Washington's illegal economic sanctions.

The EU recently finalized an economic mechanism called INSTEX (Instrument in Support of Trade Exchanges) that is designed to allow companies to do business with Iran. According to a European official who requested anonymity: The world is angry at the Trump administration, and not angry with Iran.

Meanwhile, in Sochi, Russian President Vladimir Putin hosted a summit with his Iranian and Turkish counterparts, President Hassan Rouhani and President Rajab Tayyeb Erdoghan, to prove to the world the eroding influence of the self-defeatist US in the Middle East and the seriousness of countries that matter to resolve regional problems.

In other words, it is Tehran, Moscow and Ankara, who would determine the future of West Asia, and certainly not Washington, let alone Tel Aviv or Riyadh.

As Erdoghan made it clear, Turkey is willing to join the INSTEX and may also create a bilateral mechanism to facilitate trade with Iran, Rouhani exposed the evil intentions of the US by pointing out: "While we are taking new steps for boosting stability in the region and fighting terrorism in Syria, some who are sponsoring terrorists are hatching plots against the region in Warsaw.

As observers pointed out, the warmongering words in Warsaw by the US and the Zionist regime, are a repetition of the Sharm ash-Sheikh meeting of the late 1990s which the Americans had arranged in panic in Egypt's Red Sea resort, to try to give a second term to Zionist premier Shimon Peres with statements of hostility against Iran and its alleged support for terrorism – actually backing for the Palestinian and Lebanese freedom move-

The result, however, was disappointment for the US, as Peres lost the elections, while the Islamic Republic of Iran and the popular movements it

backed went from strength to strength. Similar will be the result of the current fiasco in Poland, where as indication of the fast approaching doom of Israel, Netanyahu was forced to extend his stay in Warsaw Friday after his plane was damaged just ahead of takeoff when a pushback tractor crashed into the Boeing 777, thereby delaying the return journey of the Zionist ringleader well into Saturday or Sabbath, which Jews regard as an ill omen.

FM Zarif on NBC News:

## It Would Be 'Suicidal' to Go to War With Iran



Iranian Foreign Minister Muhammad Javad Zarif (R) speaks to NBC News Chief Foreign Correspondent Richard Engel in Munich, Germany, on February 15, 2019.

MUNICH (Dispatches) -- Iran's foreign minister, Muhammad Javad Zarif, has warned the U.S. and its allies that it would be "suicidal" to start a war with Iran, accusing Washington of having a "pathological obsession" with his country.

In a wide-ranging exclusive interview with NBC News on Friday, Zarif said that the "same gang" behind the 2003 Iraq War are "at it again" in pushing for war with his

"I'm not saying President Trump's administration, I'm saying people in President Trump's administration are trying to create the same eventuality and I believe they will fail," he said.

Still, he said he hoped "some sense will prevail" but warned that "people will find out that it's suicidal to engage in a war with Iran."

Zarif also appeared to dismiss the idea of renegotiating the landmark 2015 Iran nuclear deal.

The administration of President Donald Trump withdrew from the agreement last year, putting it at odds with European leaders and independent watchdogs who say Iran is complying with its terms.

On Iran's missile program, Zarif confirmed that his country had suffered two failed attempts to launch satellites over the past two months. He said it was possible this was because of a sabotage campaign by the U.S. as suggested by a New York Times report this week.

He said that Iran had already been investigating these failures but was now "looking into the specifics" because of the article in The Times.

"It's quite possible. We don't know yet," he said of a possible

U.S. sabotage campaign. "We need to look into it very carefully.'

Zarif's comments came a day after Vice President Mike Pence accused Iran of pursuing "another Holocaust," while criticizing European allies for trying to undercut U.S. sanctions against the country.

Earlier in the week, Zionist PM Benjamin Netanyahu made a statement that was translated by his office as urging "war with Iran." Israeli officials tried to soften the reference by altering the English translation, but it nonetheless startled Iranians and even the White House.

Pence and Netanyahu attended an international conference the U.S. organized in Warsaw on Thursday. Meanwhile, Iran, Russia and NATO member Turkey met at a rival (Continued on Page 7)

# Fight them, Allah will

punish them by your hands and bring them to disgrace, and assist you against them and heal the hearts of a believing

The Holy Qur'an (9.14)

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#### PRAYER TIMINGS

Noon (Zohr)

06:51

18:05 Evening(Maghreb)

Dawn(Fajr)" Tomorrow" 05:27

Sunrise "Tomorrow"

### **South Korea to Maintain Friendly Ties With Iran**

MUNICH (Dispatches) -- South Korean Foreign Minister Kang Kyung-wha here on Friday reiterated her country's willingness to maintain friendly relations with the Islamic Republic of Iran despite U.S. efforts to isolate Tehran.

Kang met Iranian Foreign Minister Muhammad Javad Zarif on the sidelines of the 55th Munich Security Conference, where she offered sympathy over a terrorist attack in southeastern Iran on Thursday.

The South Korean foreign minister expressed Seoul's interest in continuing decades of good relations between the two countries despite pressures and sanctions.

The two sides also conferred on economic and trade relations, the most important regional and international issues including the situation in the Korean Peninsula, the Iran nuclear deal, and other topics of mutual interest.

Back in December, Iran finalized a deal with South Korea to trade oil for goods as part of a larger strategy to bypass U.S. sanctions reimposed on the country following Washington's unilateral withdrawal from the 2105 Iranian nuclear deal.

South Korea relies on Iran for 13 percent of its imported oil, making Tehran its third crude supplier after Saudi Arabia and Kuwait. In 2017, the South purchased 147 million barrels of Iranian oil.

Japan is another importer of Iranian oil, with Prime Minister Shinzo Abe hailing his country's ties with Iran as "traditionally friendly" and reiterating Tokyo's willingness to further boost cooperation with Tehran.

Abe on Wednesday met with Iranian Parliament Speaker Ali Larijani in Tokyo where he said the two countries are marking the 90th anniversary of their diplomatic relations this year.

"In the minds of the Iranian people, there is no negative point towards the Japanese people and they are interested in expanding relations with your country," Lari-

### NYT: U.S. Steps Up Plan to Sabotage Iran Missiles

WARSAW (Dispatches) -- The Trump White House has accelerated a secret American program to sabotage Iran's missiles and rockets, according to current and former administration officials cited by the New York Times, who described it as part of an expanding campaign by the United States to undercut Tehran's military and isolate its

The officials described a far-reaching effort, created under President George W. Bush, to slip faulty parts and materials into Iran's aerospace supply chains. The program was active early in the Obama administration, Mike Pompeo took over as the director of the CIA and injected it with new resources.

Tehran is already suspicious. Even before Trump withdrew last May from the nuclear accord, Brig. Gen. Amir Ali Hajizadeh, the head of Iran's missile program, accused American and allied intelligence agencies of turning their campaigns of "infiltration and sabotage" to Iran's missile complex from its atomic infrastructure.

"They want to repeat their nuclear sabotage in the missile area," he told Iranian state television in 2016, vowing the program will never stop "under any circumstances."

The covert actions against Iran's missile and rocket

program are being taken through countries and companies, the report said. French and British officials have joined the United States in calling for ways to counter Iran's missile program, it added.

The spark for Iran's quest to build missiles was its long-running fear of Iraq. In the 1980s, former dictator Saddam Hussein's forces shot waves of missiles at Iranian cities. Hundreds of civilians died, and Iran fired back with Soviet-designed missiles it acquired from Libya, Syria and North Korea.

After the 2003 American-led invasion of Iraq, Washbut had eased by 2017, when U.S. Secretary of State ington and its allies stepped up efforts to thwart Tehran's missile and nuclear programs. By 2006, the United Nations Security Council demanded that Iran stop enriching uranium. Iran's refusal prompted the imposition of sanctions that banned the import of parts, materials and technologies for manufacturing nuclear fuel — and for building missiles.

Under Bush, two covert programs against Iran rose in tandem: one focused on nuclear materials, the other on missiles, according to the New York Times.

The CIA, with help from the National Security Agency, searched for ways to subvert factories, supply chains and launchers.

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### **Iran Elected to UN Peacebuilding Commission**

UNITED NATIONS (IFP) --Members of the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) have endorsed Iran's membership in the world body's Peacebuilding Commission despite U.S. pressure.

In their Thursday meeting at the UN headquarters in New York, 35 out of 46 member states of the ECOSOC voted in favor of Iran's membership in the commission.

"Iran's membership in the council came amid the U.S. delegation's fierce opposition," a report by IRNA said.

According to the report, the U.S. delegation called for a secret ballot as part of a larger plan to stop Iran's membership in the council but the ECOSOC's members resolutely voted for Iran's membership.

The UN's Peacebuilding Commission is an Intergovernmental advisory body of both the United Nations General Assembly and the United Nations Security Council that supports peace efforts in conflict-affected countries, and is a key addition to the capacity of the international community in the broad peace agenda.

Members are elected to the UN Peacebuilding Commission for a two-year term. The commission has 31 members

selected by the United Nations Security Council (seven countries including five permanent members of the UNSC), ECOSOC (seven members), the UN General Assembly (seven members), five members paying the highest amount of the UN budget and members of the UN with the highest number of military and police forces in the world body's peacekeeping missions (five members).