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Viewpoint

Fall of the Fig Leaf of Democracy in the U.S.

By: Kayhan Int'l Staff Writer

The U.S., despite its loud claims was never a democracy nor was the American society a democratic one.

The fig leaf of democracy that had barely hidden U.S. hypocrisy all these decades, if not centuries, was finally dropped by the Senate when it voted along party lines to save a hard core criminal like Donald Trump from being impeached and kicked out of the White House.

Even to an ordinary person, not much aware of politics or following the current development, there was never the least doubt that the arrogantly ignorant idiot called Trump was a rascal, a habitual liar, a rogue, an adulterer, a ruffian, a fraudster, and an incompetent scoundrel – all rolled into one.

The Republicans in the Senate, however, fully knowing all these negative traits plus many of more of which the ordinary public is still not aware about the terrorist who shamelessly takes pride in his crimes and sins, cast their votes in his favour to acquit him of the crimes for which he was impeached late last year by the House of Representatives.

They thus betrayed the trust the American people had placed in them, which means the many more crimes and sins this immoral rowdy will be committing till the end of the current year – and many more for the next four years if the Zionist controlled Electoral College fiddles with the people's vote to re-elect him – sit heavily on their heads.

We are not sure what sort of belief the U.S. political elite have in God Almighty, but one thing is crystal clear that those who support Trump will indeed be exposed to Divine Wrath sooner or later.

As said above, ever since the thirteen original New England colonies rebelled against Britain's mad king George III to form the United States of America, the administration in Washington has never respected the fundamentals of democracy or has shown any consideration for human rights.

This is evident by its expansionism of the past two centuries to annex the lands of the native Amerindians through a genocidal policy that virtually wiped out a whole nation, followed by the racism against the black people kidnapped off the coast of Africa and brought in chains to work as slaves on the plantations of the white Anglo Saxons of the New World.

Democracy means respect for the rights of all sections of the society and not just a particular ethnic group, as is the case of the U.S., which in the 19th century seized vast stretches of the lands of the coloured Mexicans – the Hispanic who are scoffed by Trump and his ilk till this day.

Then there was the extreme discrimination against the yellow-skinned Chinese migrants in the second half of the 19th century, who were overworked to build the railway network. This was followed by the crime of the century in 1945 when the Japanese cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki were obliterated along with their populations through the terroristic atomic bombing when World War Second had virtually ended.

On donning the super power mantle since the 1950s the U.S. has been a super terrorist at home and abroad with its witch-hunt for communists and socialists at home, coupled with the corporate exploitation of the weak sections of the society, in addition to wars, occupation, and economic terrorism abroad.

The list is long, and Iran is indeed among the prime victims of American crimes against humanity and its violation of all principles of democracy.

In view of these facts, what happened in the Senate a couple of days ago by the illegal acquittal of the immoral Executive Head by criminal-minded Republicans, removes any doubt about the things to unfold.

Acquittal or not, the Islamic Republic, however, firmly believes that the innocent blood of Martyr Qassem Soleimani and his colleagues will strike with vengeance and sooner than later Trump and his team of terrorists will have to pay heavy price.

Judiciary Chief:

Iran to Respond to Any U.S. Provocation in Persian Gulf



Judiciary chief Ebrahim Raeisi and other officials observe a joint march of armed forces in Bushehr, Iran Feb. 6, 2020.

TEHRAN (Press TV) -- The Iranian judiciary chief said Friday the country's armed forces will respond in kind to any U.S. provocation in the Persian Gulf.

Speaking during a joint armed forces ceremony at an Iranian airbase in the southwestern Bushehr province, Ebrahim Raeisi said the Persian Gulf has to remain secure for Iran "at all times".

If the Americans "seek measures in the Persian Gulf that in any way signal an attack or a threatening and destabilizing action... our powerful armed forces will force them to surrender or to find themselves at the depths of the Persian Gulf," Raeisi said.

The judiciary chief added that Iran's military is regarded around the world as a self-sufficient and competent force which has proven itself in cases such as the downing

of the U.S. RQ-4A Global Hawk spy drone last June.

Raeisi added that Iran's military and advisory presence in the region has also served as a bulwark against U.S. and European plots in the region.

"Today, not only in Iran, but people across the region feel secure due to our presence and our support against the American aggression," he added.

Earlier last year, Washington called for the formation of a so-called maritime coalition in response to a series of mysterious explosions targeting vessels in the Persian Gulf and the Sea of Oman.

Washington, which was quick to blame Iran for the incidents without providing conclusive evidence, has since deployed thousands of additional troops and millions of dollars worth of military equip-

ment in certain regional states.

A number of European states, such as France and Britain, have announced plans for future naval deployments in the region.

Iran, which has soundly rejected the provocative foreign deployments, has stressed that only regional cooperation can ensure security in the Persian Gulf and the Middle East.

Tensions have since further increased after Washington assassinated top Iranian general Qassem Soleimani during an official visit to Iraq in January 3.

Iran retaliated a few days later, launching a volley of ballistic missiles at the Ain al-Assad airbase and another US-occupied outpost in Erbil, the capital of the semi-autonomous Iraqi Kurdistan.

The Trump administration, which had

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FM Zarif: Assassination Marks End of U.S. in Region

LONDON (Dispatches) -- Iranian Foreign Minister Muhammad Javad Zarif has said that the U.S. government was not brave enough to fight with Gen. Qassem Soleimani in the battlefield.

"The government which was not brave enough to fight with the commander in the battlefield, had to assassinate him in a cowardly terrorist act," said Zarif in an interview with Lebanese Al-Mayadeen TV.

"You should have fought with a commander in a battlefield not to act cowardly," he said.

"Trump's terrorist move to assassinate Gen. Qassem Soleimani has marked the end of U.S. presence in the region," Zarif added.

The minister said the U.S. has revealed its nature to the region through its acts in the past few weeks,

including the assassination of a military commander and release of an extremely biased plan against the Palestinians.

"The U.S. President Donald Trump suggested the plan of 'Deal of the Century' that encompasses more than that the Zionists demanded at any time," Zarif said.

"Trump is currently accused of economic terrorism against the Iranian people, and of sponsoring cultural terrorism. He has threatened to hit our cultural sites and is also accused of state terrorism," Zarif said.

"The Islamic Republic of Iran will launch legal proceedings against Trump on these three charges," he added.

'Undesirable' British Envoy Returns to Tehran

LONDON (Dispatches) -- Britain's ambassador to Iran is back in Tehran, he said late on Thursday, some three weeks after he returned to London following his brief arrest by Iranian security forces.

Rob Macaire was called an "undesirable element" by Iran's judiciary after he attended an illegal protest last month and an Iranian cleric said he should be expelled.

Britain scrambled to call back Macaire to London in mid-January as details of his undiplomatic move surfaced.

It came after Iranian police released a video of the UK ambassador in Tehran shortly before his arrest.

The short video showed Macaire on the campus of

the Amirkabir University where a group of people were chanting slogans against the Iranian authorities, allegedly in protest at the accidental downing of a Ukrainian airliner.

Iranian police said the video bolstered their case that Macaire had been inciting the rioters against the Islamic Republic.

The British government claimed the ambassador was attending a vigil for the 176 people killed on Flight PS572. Iranian security forces followed Macaire to a barber shop nearby and arrested him before releasing him several hours later.

Government spokesman Ali Rabiei said Britain's ambassador to Iran had acted in a way that was "completely unprofessional and unacceptable".

After the incident, hundreds of angry protesters gathered outside the UK embassy to chant "Death to England" and demand the mission's closure.

The protest attended by Macaire featured the tearing up of the pictures of top Iranian commander Gen. Qassem Soleimani who was assassinated by the U.S. in Iraq.

The assassination triggered a wave of anger among the Iranians who took to the streets in tens of millions to call for revenge and honor the charismatic commander.

The insults against Gen. Soleimani shocked many Iranians and raised question marks about the instantaneous protest which came while the nation was

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The Holy Qur'an

Now hath come unto you a Messenger from amongst yourselves: it grieves him that ye should perish: ardently anxious is he over you: to the Believers is he most kind and merciful. The Holy Qur'an (8:128)

PRAYER TIMINGS

Noon (Zohr)	12:18
Evening (Maghreb)	17:57
Dawn (Fajr) "Tomorrow"	05:36
Sunrise "Tomorrow"	06:59

IAEA Chief: Iran Has Not Taken Further Steps

WASHINGTON (Dispatches)

– Iran has not taken further steps to scale back its commitments to the 2015 nuclear deal with world powers since it renounced last month all restraints imposed by the agreement, the head of the UN nuclear agency has said.

"After the fifth step, there hasn't been any follow-up," said Raphael Grossi on his first official visit to Washington since becoming director general of the International Atomic Energy Agency in December. "Of course, they continue to enrich."

Tehran in July began stockpiling more low-enriched uranium than allowed by the nuclear deal in the first of five steps that it has declared in response to U.S. President Donald Trump's 2018 decision to pull the United States out of the accord and reimpose harsh sanctions on the country.

Iran says it would reverse the steps, which have included enriching uranium to a higher level than set in the agreement and operating advanced centrifuges, the machines that purify uranium, if the sanctions were removed.

After Iran last month announced it no longer would observe any of the deal's restraints, Britain, France and Germany triggered the deal's dispute mechanism, opening the door to a possible reimposition of international sanctions. Russia and China also are parties to the deal.

Grossi said he discussed Iran's nuclear program on Tuesday with U.S. Secretary of State Mike Pompeo but declined to elaborate. During a think tank appearance on Wednesday, Grossi said the IAEA continues to monitor the Iranian nuclear program.