

**‘Regional States Should Help to Oust U.S. Troops’**

TEHRAN (Press TV) -- A senior Iranian commander has called for regional cooperation to expel American forces from the Middle East and confront the occupying regime of Israel. Brigadier General Amir-Ali Hajizadeh, the commander of the Aerospace Force of the Islamic Revolution Guards Corps (IRGC), told Yemen's Al-Masirah TV that all U.S. terrorist forces must be expelled from the Middle East. "All countries of the Axis of Resistance are united, and we must join hands to kick American troops out of the region and annihilate the Zionist regime," he said.

**Beijing to Quarantine All Arrivals**

BEIJING (Reuters) -- The Chinese capital Beijing on Friday imposed a 14-day self-quarantine on people returning to the city from holidays to prevent the spread of the new coronavirus, and threatened to punish those who failed to comply. China's economy is struggling to get going after the annual Lunar New Year holiday, which was extended for 10 days to help contain the outbreak of the new and highly contagious respiratory virus, officially called 2019-nCov.

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### Viewpoint

## Time Turkey Realized the Satanic Intentions of U.S. Criminal Regime

## Spring of Perpetually Abundant Munificence

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*“He originated things, but not from anything that existed before them, and created them without examples to follow. Rather, He created them with His might and dispersed them according to His will; not for a need did He create them; nor for a benefit (for Him) did He shape them. But to establish His wisdom, Bring attention to His obedience, manifest His might, lead His creatures to humbly venerate Him, and to exalt His decrees.”* This brilliant description of Almighty Allah, the One and Only Creator of the universe, is not by a prophet, an Imam, a saint, or a right-minded philosopher.

In fact, these are the words of a lady, whom God calls **“Kowthar”** or Spring of Perpetually Abundant Munificence (Holy Qur’an Surah 108), and His Last and Greatest Messenger refers to as **Seyyedat-an-Nisa al-alamin min al-awwalin wa’l-akherin** (Noblest-ever Lady of all times from the beginning till the end).

Today, the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month of Jamadi al-Akher, her blessed birthday in Mecca over a millennium and four centuries ago, affords us the opportunity to dwell on glimpses of her exemplary life.

She was none other than Hazrat Fatema az-Zahra (SA), the Immaculate Daughter of Prophet Muhammad (SAWA), the Loyal Wife of the Leader of the Pious and the Commander of the Faithful, Imam Ali ibn Abi Taleb (AS), the Virtuous Mother of the Leaders of the Youths of Paradise Imam Hasan (AS) and Imam Husain (AS) and of the Impeccable Daughters Hazrat Zainab (SA) and Hazrat Omm Kolthoum (SA), and the Infallible Ancestress of the Promised Saviour of mankind, Imam Mahdi (may God hasten his reappearance to rid the world of all traces of corruption and oppression by establishing the global government of peace, prosperity and justice.

How can mortals pen the merits of a person whose praises the celestial angels chant, and who surpasses all Daughters of Eve in excellence, including Mary (SA) the mother of Prophet Jesus (AS).

Her mother was the Impeccable Hazrat Khadija (SA), the richest lady of Arabia, who for over a quarter century as the **“Omm al-Momineen”** (Mother of all True Believers) was the only wife of Prophet Muhammad (SAWA), and for the perpetuity of whose universal mission, Islam, she spent all her wealth to feed, clothe, and shelter the neo-Muslim Arab community of Mecca, thereby leaving no inheritance for her orphaned daughter.

Yet little Fatema (SA), whose spiritual glories kept her above material matters, so dedicatedly took care of her widowed father that she earned the epithet of **“Omm-e Abiha”** or Mother of her Father. This concept and this demonstration of fatherly and daughterly love, was to revolutionize society.

When she grew up, and on migration from Mecca to Medina, the Prophet, on Divine Commandment, married her to his virtuous cousin, the young and energetic Imam Ali ibn Abi Taleb (AS). The two made an excellent pair, and showed to the world how a husband-and-wife should lead an exemplary life and raise worthy children.

It is said, if intellect lights the path of guidance, affection is the engine that provides energy to believers to act and move. Thus, the finest example of the harmonious blending of these two important factors is the life of Hazrat Fatema Zahra (SA).

Despite her lofty merits, she used to personally do all household chores. As the supreme symbol of feminine virtues, she displayed the highest ethical traits in marital life in view of the hadith: **“A woman’s jihad [for striving in the way of Allah] is to behave excellently with her husband).**”

Thus, Imam Ali (AS) was responsible for all outside work, while she took care of household affairs. She also enjoyed very cordial relations with her mother-in-law Fatema bint Asad (SA), the lady who had brought up her father the orphaned Prophet as her own son and to whose care the Prophet had entrusted Hazrat Fatema (SA) after she was orphaned on the death of her mother Hazrat Khadija (SA). She never allowed her mother-in-law to trouble herself with household chores and left to her the social relations for keeping the necessary contact with family members and friends.

In 7 AH when the Prophet provided his daughter with the virtuous Abyssinian maid, Fizza, she divided the work equally, by giving rest to her maid a whole day after a day’s work and discharging the duties that day herself.

It was the habit of the Prophet to salute his daughter every morning at the time of the Fajr Prayer. The Prophet showed the lofty position of women in Islam. He used to stand to his feet whenever his Immaculate Daughter entered his presence, and in order to show her prime position, he would make her sit on his own place. She was the last person, whom the Prophet would bid farewell when leaving Medina and the first person he would greet on arrival from his journey.

When she used to supplicate to God Almighty, she would pray for all the community, and then in the last for herself and her family, saying neighbours take precedence. What a selfless attitude indeed in the Divine Court for which God Almighty rewarded her with manifold merits, which include Ayah 33 of Surah al-Ahzaab, which is a testimony to her pristine purity and that of her family:

**“Indeed, Allah desires to keep away uncleanness from you Ahl al-Bayt, and preserve you thoroughly purified.”**

On revelation of this Ayah, the Prophet assembled under his cloak his daughter, his son-in-law, and his two grandsons as the epitome of purity. The subsequent entry of this group of Five Fabulous persons on the field of the historic Mubahela with the Christians of Najran, confirm the fact that no other woman except the Prophet’s daughter is mentioned in this particular Ayah – 61 of Surah Aal-e Imran.

Fatema (SA) is thus the Prime Source of the pure and pristine progeny of the Prophet, whose existence ensures the survival of the world. In other words, the message of the Almighty to all people till eternity is crystal clear. It means that while the ignorant take pride in the birth of sons and frown upon daughters, the Prophet’s progeny is ensured eternal glory through his only surviving child, that is, the Impeccable Daughter, Hazrat Fatema Zahra (SA). This peerless lady through her marriage to Imam Ali (AS) is the firm link between Prophethood and Imamate, as the mother and ancestress of 11 of the 12 Infallible Imams, the Last of whom is the Lord of our Age, who will reappear in the end times as Mahdi al-Qa’em (AS) to establish the global government of peace, prosperity and justice by ridding Planet Earth of all vestiges of oppression and corruption. Amen

No wonder, her blessed birthday is celebrated as **“Mother’s Day”** and **“Women’s Week”** in Iran and countries and societies influenced by the Islamic Republic.

## Fajr International Music Festival Gets Underway



## Iran Beat Germany at 2020 Kabaddi World Cup



## Trump’s Plan Act of High Treason Against Entire Muslim World



# Election Campaign Gets Into Full Swing in Iran



TEHRAN (Dispatches) -- **Iran’s week-long parliamentary election campaign started on Thursday at a time when relations with Washington are at their worst since the 1979 Islamic Revolution and anti-American sentiments are at the highest level following U.S. assassination of General Qassem Soleimnai.**

As many as 7,150 candidates are running for parliamentary elec-

tions on Feb. 21 after the Guardian Council, which must approve candidates, endorsed their qualifications.

Top authorities, including Leader of the Islamic Revolution Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei and President Hassan Rouhani, have called for a high turnout to ensure the country’s unity and strength in the face of a hostile American gov-

ernment.

Ayatollah Khamenei has said the next parliament is no place for those scared of speaking out against foreign enemies. He has said a lively vote will guarantee the nation’s security and contribute to efforts towards resolving the problems.

President Rouhani has said through their electoral turnout, the

Iranian people have to take a firm and united stand against the United States and its allies trying to undermine the country’s integrity.

Tensions with the United States have spiked since 2018, when President Donald Trump withdrew from Iran’s 2015 nuclear deal with major powers and reimposed sanctions.

On Jan. 3, Trump ordered the assassination of Iran’s most prominent military commander, Gen. Qassem Soleimani, in Baghdad, which led to the Islamic Republic retaliating against U.S. targets in Iraq on Jan. 8.

Some 58 million Iranians out of 83 million are eligible to vote in the 11th round of parliamentary elections since the 1979 Islamic Revolution, three million of whom will be first-time voters. Of those eligible to cast, 50.13% are men and 49.87% are women.

With principlists anticipating a big win, reformists are struggling to mobilize their supporters, who are disappointed with President Rouhani’s performance.

In Tehran, which accounts for 30 seats in the assembly, principlist candidates are headed by Muhammad **(Continued on Page 7)**

*Will Publicized on 40th Day Since Assassination*

## Gen. Soleimani Urged Iranians to Support Leader

TEHRAN (Dispatches) – **Iran is ready to strike the United States and the occupying regime of Israel if they give it any reason to do so, the head of the Islamic Revolution Guards Corps (IRGC) said on Thursday.**

“If you make the slightest error, we will hit both of you,” Major General Hussein Salami said at a ceremony marking the 40th day since the U.S. assassination of top commander General Qassem Soleimani.

General Soleimani, who was head of the Quds Force, was martyred by a U.S. drone in Baghdad on Jan. 3 along with Iraq’s anti-terror commander Abu Mahdi al-Muhandis.

The assassination of Gen. Soleimani will lead to the lib-

eration of Jerusalem Al-Quds, IRGC spokesman General Ramezan Sharif said in the north-western Iranian city of Urmia.

“The cowardly and craven assassination of commander Soleimani and Abu Mahdi al-Muhandis by the Americans will lead to the liberation of Al-Quds, by the grace of God,” he said.

Over the weekend, former IRGC head Mohsen Rezaei told Lebanon’s Al-Mayadeen TV station that Iran was just looking for an excuse to “raze Tel Aviv to the ground” after pounding two U.S. bases in Iraqi in response to the assassination.

“If they (the U.S.) had done something, we could have used it **(Continued on Page 7)**

### Turkey, Zionist Regime Step Up Attacks

## Syrian Troops Make New Gains in Idlib

DAMASCUS (Dispatches) – **Syrian government forces made new gains in northwestern Syria on Friday, further chipping away at the country’s last major terrorist pocket, a war monitor said.**

Syrian government and allied forces, which have kept up a blistering assault on the Idlib region since December, are now securing areas along a key highway they seized from Takfiri terrorists and their allies this week.

On Friday, they pushed west of the M5 motorway which connects Syria’s four largest cities and is economically vital for the government, the so-called Syrian Observatory for Human Rights said.

In an attempt to consolidate a “security belt” around the road, they seized a key base on Friday that they had lost to terrorists in 2012, the Britain-based monitor said.

Located 12 kilometers (seven miles) west of Aleppo city, Base 46 was the site of a brutal confrontation between government forces and terrorists in the early phase of Syria’s war.

Its recapture marks a symbolic win for the government which has reduced the terrorist-held pocket to just over half of Idlib province, as well as slivers of neighboring Aleppo and Latakia. **(Continued on Page 7)**

## New York Times Reveals: U.S. Scuttled Iran-Arab Détente With Assassination

NEW YORK (Dispatches) – **U.S. President Donald Trump ordered the assassination of top Iranian General Qassem Soleimani to sabotage de-escalation talks between Iran, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates following a report by Mossad, The New York Times revealed on Thursday.**

The paper reported that General Soleimani had been arranging talks in Saudi Arabia and United Arab Emirates in order to de-escalate tensions with Tehran.

According to the report, one such meeting took place last September in Abu Dhabi, the capital of the United Arab Emirates where a plane carrying “senior Iranian officials” landed for talks.

News of the meeting, which reached Washington only after it was notified by reports from American spy agencies, “set off alarms inside the White House”, the paper said.

A similar mediation attempt, also arranged by Gen. Soleimani, was underway between Tehran and Riyadh using Iraqi and Pakistani intermediaries, it added.

The developments had greatly concerned the occupying regime of Israel, which had been trying to push the Trump administration to exert more pressure on Tehran, the Times said.

U.S. Secretary of State Mike Pompeo then traveled to Occupied **(Continued on Page 7)**