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### In the Name of the Most High Viewpoint

## Clumsy Clowns Stage Comedy of Errors in Washington

By: Kayhan Int'l Staff Writer

*It was as theatrical as a comedy of errors with all four actors on the stage looking like clumsy clowns, unsure of the uncertain future awaiting them, as they took the plunge into uncharted waters.*

*Interestingly, Tuesday's drama in Washington was held at an inauspicious site that doesn't augur well for any of the parties involved in yet another scandalous accord that is a failure from its very start.*

*It is worth recalling that way back on 13th September 1993, at this same South Lawn spot of the White House where yesterday (15th September 2020) the quixotic US president stood waving to TV cameras along with the child-killing Zionist premier and foreign ministers of the UAE and Bahrain, the notorious terrorist Yitzhak Rabin in his capacity as Israeli premier had signed a so-called peace accord with Yasser Arafat – the ever-compromising chairman of the Palestinian Liberation Organisation (PLO) – for creation of a mini Palestinian state that remains stillborn even after the passing of 27 years.*

*Two years later in 1995, Rabin's life of crimes and terrorism had ended with his death at the hands of fellow Zionist Yigal Amir, while Arafat had to pay dearly for his misplaced trust in Israel, which continues to nibble away at the West Bank and the occupied Islamic city of Bayt al-Moqaddas.*

*It now remains to be seen whether Donald Trump whose sole aim in acting like a pimp for the Israelis and the reactionary Arabs is to fool the US voters into believing that he has succeeded where his predecessors failed, and should thus be given a second 4-year term in the White House, would achieve his goal.*

*Benjamin Netanyahu, who has merely suspended for the moment the annexation of the West Bank to help the Aal-e Nahyan and Aal-e Khalifa regimes fool the Arab world into believing they have forced him to backtrack, may be wondering how his murderous life would finally end – peacefully on the deathbed, violently through a bullet or a bomb blast, or the wrath of God as was the fate of the Butcher of Sabra & Shatilla, Ariel Sharon.*

*As for Abdullah bin Zayed, like all shortsighted betrayers he is counting the days when his consanguineous brother, MBZ (Mohamed bin Zayed, the evil architect of the scandalous ties with Israel) will step into the shoes of ailing step-brother Sheikh Khalid as Sheikh of Abu Dhabi and president of UAE, and name him Heir Apparent.*

*Abdul-Latif bin Rashid az-Zayani, the foreign minister of the repressive Aal-e Khalifa regime of Bahrain, is a commoner with a military background, and is merely 'a use and throw' item for his masters in Manama, and therefore not worth wasting any comments upon him.*

*Although this latest scandalous accord does not break any new ground in view of the decades long covert ties of Israel with both the UAE and Bahrain, it will provide Saudi Arabia with a convenient camouflage for avoiding direct diplomatic ties with their Zionist cousins in order to mislead world Muslims, while being engaged in all sorts of plots to backstab and splinter the Islamic Ummah.*

*Interestingly, the text of the agreements has little to say about the chronic question of Palestine and the rights of the Palestinian people. It also doesn't mention any suspension of Israel's plans to annex the West Bank.*

*Meanwhile, to show what the accord really means to Tel Aviv, as the ceremony was in progress in Washington Israel bombed Gaza and positions of Hamas, the Palestinian Islamic Movement, perhaps with the approval of the reactionary Arab regimes.*

## Islamic Experts Join Tehran Webinar Against Betrayal Deals



Secretary-General of the World Assembly of Islamic Awakening Ali Akbar Velayati addresses the online session of the Supreme Council of the World Assembly of Islamic Awakening in Tehran, Sept. 16, 2020.

TEHRAN (Dispatches) – The Supreme Council of the World Assembly of Islamic Awakening held an extraordinary online meeting here Wednesday to discuss a recent decision by the UAE and Bahrain to normalize ties with the occupying regime of Israel.

Secretary-General of the World Assembly of Islamic Awakening Ali Akbar Velayati and experts from around 50 Islamic nations attended the webinar.

Velayati warned that the Persian Gulf countries will have to pay a heavy price for the humiliating move.

"Some puppet governments in the Persian Gulf have pinned hopes on nothing and built a house on water instead of relying on divine prom-

ises, unity, the popular willpower and the unique capacities of the Islamic world.

"They should pay the price and face the consequences of such a humiliating compromise and normalization," he said.

Velayati stressed the need for the Islamic unity and resistance against the excessive demands and vicious plots of the enemies.

"Further weakening of the peace process and growing strengthening of the resistance current's determination and resolve would be the only remedy and the way for materialization of the cause of Palestine," he said.

Velayati said Palestine has been the most important and pivotal issue of the Islamic world for the

past 70 years, decrying hostile attempts to gradually eliminate the Muslim nation and replace it with the fake Zionist regime.

"The global arrogance has hatched various plots to consign such critical issue to oblivion as the Islamic world's top priority," he said.

Attended by experts from around 50 Islamic nations, the webinar was held in response to the wrong move by the UAE and Bahrain to normalize ties with Israel, which has drawn widespread condemnation from around the world.

The normalization has coincided with a French satirical publication's reprinting of insulting cartoons against Prophet Muhammad (Continued on Page 7)

## Iran Complains to UN Over Trump's New Threat

UNITED NATIONS (Dispatches) – Iran's ambassador to the United Nations has complained to the world body over U.S. President Donald Trump's threat to use force against the country, warning that the Islamic Republic will not hesitate to exercise its right to self-defense in the event of any American military adventurism.

In letters addressed to UN Secretary General Antonio Guterres and President of the Security Council Abdou Abarry, Majid Takht-Ravanchi said Trump had threatened Iran with an attack and made "a baseless allegation" against the country over an alleged assassination plot.

"Such a provocative statement constitutes a gross violation of the very fundamental principles enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations, particularly its Article 2(4) that clearly prohibits the threat or use of force," he wrote.

Takht-Ravanchi was reacting to

Trump's Monday tweet, in which he referred to "press reports" that Iran "may be planning an assassination, or other attack, against the United States" to avenge Washington's assassination of top Iranian anti-terror commander Lieutenant General Qassem Soleimani in Iraq early this year.

The flimsy U.S. media report, quoting unnamed officials, claimed that an alleged Iranian plot to assassinate the U.S. ambassador to South Africa was planned before the U.S. presidential election in November.

"Any attack by Iran, in any form, against the United States will be met with an attack on Iran that will be 1,000 times greater in magnitude!", Trump tweeted.

Iran's Government spokesman Ali Rabiei on Tuesday expressed regret that "the president of a country who has claims to global management and order would make

hasty, agenda-fueled and dubious remarks on such a weak basis."

On Monday, the foreign ministry denied the report of an assassination plot as "baseless" and part of "repetitive and rotten methods to create an anti-Iranian atmosphere."

The outright rebuttal by Iran's Foreign Ministry spokesman Saeid Khatibzadeh came after Politico news website claimed that Iran had sought to assassinate U.S. Ambassador to South Africa Lana Marks.

The spokesman later posted a tweet in which he advised American journalists to beware of falling into the trap of U.S. politicians' efforts "to peddle lies."

"U.S. warmongers have always used gullible 'journalists' to sell their folly. Under Bush they used them to sell the \$7 trillion Iraq War. Now they are at it again, using Politico to peddle lies," he wrote.

Iranian Foreign Minister Muhammad (Continued on Page 7)

## 'Strike Teams' to Uphold Security in Tehran, Khuzestan

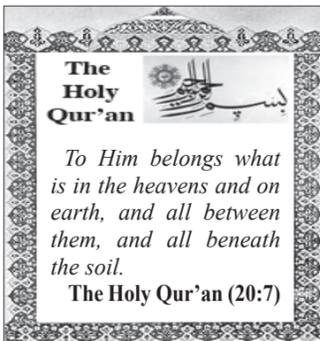
TEHRAN (Dispatches) – Iran's Islamic Revolution Guards Corps (IRGC) said it has formed "strike teams" in districts of Tehran and plans patrols to ensure security in the southern oil-rich province of Khuzestan.

Brigadier General Muhammad Reza Yazdi, who commands IRGC forces in Teh-

ran province, said members of the Basij force were ready to "tackle thugs and disrupters of security" in the capital.

Separately, the IRGC said it was prepared to "activate patrols" in Khuzestan after a rise in reports of "theft and insecurity" in cities such as Ahvaz, the ISNA news agency reported.

The statement comes days ahead of the anniversary of a 2018 terrorist attack on a military parade in Ahvaz that martyred 25 people, claimed by a Western-backed separatist group. Officials have canceled the annual defense parades this year because of the coronavirus.



### PRAYER TIMINGS

Noon (Zohr)	12:59
Evening (Maghreb)	19:26
Dawn (Fajr) "Tomorrow"	05:24
Sunrise "Tomorrow"	06:49

## Pompeo: U.S. to Prevent Iran From Buying Weapons

PARIS (Dispatches) – U.S. Secretary of State Mike Pompeo vowed Tuesday that Washington would prevent Iran from purchasing "Chinese tanks and Russian air defense systems" as the end to a UN arms embargo against Tehran approaches.

While the European Union and United Nations disagreed with the U.S. decision to withdraw from an international nuclear deal in 2018 and reimpose unilateral sanctions on Iran, Washington was acting to "keep the world safe," the hawkish diplomat claimed.

"We are going to act in a way – and we have acted in a way – that will prevent Iran from being able to purchase Chinese tanks and Russian air defense systems and resell weapons to Hezbollah to undermine the very efforts that (French) President Macron is ably trying to lead in Lebanon," Pompeo said.

Hezbollah, a popular resistance movement established to protect Lebanon against Israeli aggression and occupation, has long been targeted by U.S. sanctions.

But it is also a powerful political player with seats in parliament in Lebanon, where the French president is seeking to foster political changes to facilitate Western intervention and influence in the country.

The United States faces widespread opposition in a new bid to reimpose sanctions on Iran, which has been progressively stepping up its nuclear activities since Washington pulled out of the deal in 2018.

It also wants to extend the UN arms embargo on the country expiring on October 18.

The United States, he insisted, would "continue to defend the international order to prevent the Islamic Republic of Iran from returning to its malign activity" in Lebanon, Iraq and Syria.

While the U.S. is widely believed to be aiding extremist groups in the Middle East with the ultimate aim of protecting the Zionist regime, Iran has famously assisted the countries to defeat takfiri terrorists in Iraq and Syria and drive out Israeli troops from southern Lebanon.