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In the Name of the Most High Viewpoint

Anti-Islamic Laws of France's Morally-Bankrupt Regime

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The mistreatment of Muslims in France is yet another proof of the anti-Islamic policies of the regime in Paris, which in its colonial heyday ruled over large parts of Muslim lands, especially in Africa and was notorious for its inhuman treatment of the 'colonized' masses.

Now with the overseas empire long gone and the countries that make up the Francophone zone not obeying the dictates from Paris, the French regime has resorted to the most discriminatory measures against its Muslim citizens, who besides the migrants from the former colonies, include a growing number of indigenous people embracing the truth of Islam.

French Muslims, who number more than five million in the country, pose no danger to the rest of the French people, the majority of whom are nominally Christian but gradually drifting away from religious and spiritual values, the result of which is growing crime and violence in society.

Yet, instead of facing realities the regime of Emmanuel Macron is trying to blame Muslims for the social crisis in the country, without any reason or rhyme by interfering with the basic tenets of Islam, which neither threaten the freedom of other creeds nor are the factors of the spread of negative tendencies or pandemics.

For instance, recently the French regime has passed a bill imposing ban on abattoirs where sheep, cattle, and poultry, are slaughtered in a healthy way as per Islamic rules that ensure the availability of hygienic meat.

Muslims, as well as other conscientious people in France are angry with such savage attitudes of the Macron and his 'musketees', who seem to be ignorant of even the medical ethics and the recommendations of non-Muslim scientists that 'halal' meat is indeed healthy compared to animals killed by electric shock for consumption.

As they plan to raise the issue in the parliament to overturn the decision, the regime in Paris has come up with another weird and provocative decision, that is, to ban the wearing of the Islamic hijab by minor girls.

This is nothing but sheer nonsense by the regime, since the wearing of clothes and that too in the most decent and modest way, especially by the feminine gender, is to the benefit of the society, and not to its harm.

It is the culture of nakedness amongst French women since the 1960s which is the sole reason for the spread of crimes, violence and weakening of Christian values in the society.

The French regime should open up its eyes and study its own Christian heritage, where even a woman warrior that helped liberate France from English occupation (Joan of Arc) wore decent clothes, as a follower of the Virgin Mary (peace upon her).

Does Macron think that freedom means the banning of nuns in the convents of France from wearing the wimple that hide their hair and the long and loose tunics that cover up their bodies?

FM Qureshi in Tehran

Pakistan, Iran Look to New Chapter in Relations



Iranian President Hassan Rouhani (R) hold talks with Pakistani Foreign Minister Shah Mehmood Qureshi in Tehran on April 21, 2021.

TEHRAN (Dispatches) – President Hassan Rouhani on Wednesday announced Iran's willingness to work with Pakistan on brining peace to neighboring Afghanistan.

"Iran and Pakistan, as the most important and influential neighbors of Afghanistan, need to play a role in managing the peace process in that country through interaction and cooperation," he told Pakistan FM Shah Mahmood Qureshi here.

Rouhani touched on the U.S. decision to withdraw troops from Afghanistan, saying the American military presence in the region has not helped security and peace in the region.

The president also said border security is a common concern of Iran and Pakistan that should be addressed with mutual cooperation.

Rouhani further called for efforts

to implement previous agreements signed between the two countries, saying Iran is ready to meet Pakistan's demand for energy.

For his part, the visiting Pakistani minister hailed unique, valuable and brotherly ties with Iran and called for their expansion.

He echoed Pakistani Prime Minister Imran Khan's call for further promotion of ties with Iran, expressing hope that in the near future, bilateral relations will enter a new phase and "we will witness new openings in the development of relations between the two countries, especially in the fields of trade and economy."

Qureshi also expressed appreciation on behalf of the Pakistani leadership to Leader of the Islamic Revolution Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei for consistently sup-

porting the cause of the Kashmiri Muslims.

He discussed with President Rouhani the ways to strengthen already close bilateral relations rooted in common history, culture, religion and language. He said Prime Minister Khan envisions strengthening ties with Iran in diverse fields with emphasis on expanding mutually beneficial economic cooperation and development.

Rouhani also reaffirmed Iran's commitment to deepen relations with Pakistan in trade, investment, connectivity and border management.

Qureshi separately met with Parliament speaker Muhammad Baqer Qalibaf and apprised him of recent initiatives to establish border marketplaces.

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U.S. Says Maximum Pressure 'Inappropriate' Iran, Allies Reiterate Call for Removal of Sanctions

VIENNA (Dispatches) -- China has reiterated its call for the removal of all sanctions imposed on Iran and third parties amid ongoing negotiations in Vienna.

Wang Qun, China's envoy to the United Nations and other international organizations in Vienna, told reporters the talks have entered a new stage.

His remarks came after a meeting of the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA) Joint Commission, chaired by deputy secretary general and political director of the European External Action Service Enrique Mora and attended by diplomats from Iran, China, Russia, France, Britain and Germany.

Wang said China welcomes the Joint Commission's intensive talks through the two expert-level working groups tasked with removing the U.S. sanctions.

He said the discussions had led to a clearer understanding and laid a solid foundation for the next stage of the talks.

Following the conclusion of the meetings, Mora took note of the results made over the last two weeks, saying in a tweet that much more hard work was still needed.

Mora said in a statement that the Joint Commission decided to create a third expert working group to examine "the possible sequencing of respective measures."

An informed source told Press TV that Iran does not accept the

sequential lifting of the sanctions, adding they must be removed altogether.

The source said the Islamic Republic would by no means settle for a suspension, easing or waiving the sanctions.

The informed source told Press TV that a one-week verification of lifting anti-Iran bans is not possible either, it usually takes between three to six months to verify the removal of the sanctions.

Iran's top negotiator Abbas Araqchi warned that Tehran would stop the negotiations if the other side opted for "excessive demands, wasting time and irrational bargaining."

U.S. State Department spokesman Ned Price said at a press briefing later on Tuesday the "maximum pressure" campaign followed by former president Donald Trump "has proved to be an inappropriate course given what we have seen from the real-life experiment over the past several years".

Russia's Permanent Representative to the International Organizations in Vienna Mikhail Ulyanov also said the so-called maximum pressure policy has "totally failed" since it only prompted Iran to accelerate the development of its nuclear program.

President Hassan Rouhani said on Wednesday a resurrection of the nuclear pact must include

three steps, the first of which is the removal of the sanctions by the United States.

"The second step is verification by Iran, and we can announce the verification in a short span of time," he said.

The third step, the president continued, would be Iran's complete resumption of its nuclear obligations which "we would execute thoroughly".

Rouhani said the three steps should be followed by confidence-building measures, asserting that Tehran would comply with the deal as long as it felt that all signatories to the deal were sincere, serious and determined to resolve the issue.

The Holy Qur'an



Fight those who believe not in Allah nor the Last Day, nor hold that forbidden which hath been forbidden by Allah and His Messenger; nor acknowledge the religion of Truth, of the People of the Book, until they pay the Jizya with willing submission, and feel themselves subdued.
The Holy Qur'an (9:29)

PRAYER TIMINGS

Noon (Zohr)	13:03
Evening (Maghreb)	20:02
Dawn (Fajr) "Tomorrow"	04:53
Sunrise "Tomorrow"	06:23

COVIRAN Proves Effective Against Coronavirus

TEHRAN (Press TV) -- The second phase of the human trial for the Coviran vaccine suggests it is safe and provides effective immunity against the coronavirus.

Produced by the headquarters for the Execution of Imam Khomeini's Order, Coviran was injected to 280 volunteers in the second clinical stage and the results were reported to the Health Ministry accordingly.

Once the second phase is over and the vaccine is proved effective against the coronavirus, the third and final stage will then be initiated, which involves giving the jabs to 20,000 volunteers.

Coviran authorities say they have already issued the call for voluntary injections, since time is running short.

The first phase of the clinical trial was carried out in December last year, which proved that the vaccine is safe and will not cause any side effects.

Other than Coviran, Iran is working on seven other home-grown vaccines, including COV-PARS, which is now undergoing the first phase of the human trials.

This is as the country has already started mass vaccination, mainly using Russia's Sputnik V.

Coviran is already ahead in the race compared to other Iranian-made vaccines. Now as the fourth surge in the pandemic is sweeping the country, Coviran developers say they are doing their utmost to bring vaccine doses to the market in the next two months.

Ramadhan Day-to-Day Supplications

9th day

اللَّهُمَّ اجْعَلْ لِي فِيهِ نَصِيبًا مِنْ رَحْمَتِكَ الْوَاسِعَةِ،
وَاهْدِنِي فِيهِ لِإِرْهَاتِكَ السَّاطِعَةِ، وَخُذْ بِأَصَاتِي إِلَى
مَرْضَاتِكَ الْجَامِعَةِ، بِمَجِّبَتِكَ يَا أَمَلِ الْمُشْتَاقِينَ.

"O Allah, bestow on me a share out of our ample Mercy. Guide me to understand Your clear proofs and lead me towards Your good pleasure through Your love. O Hope of the seekers."