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In the Name of the Most High

Viewpoint

America's Shenanigans on Paper

By: Kayhan Int'l Staff Writer

Despite the "historic" nuclear deal, the United States government is deterring foreign banks from doing business with Iran, and it is official.

On Tuesday, the State Department told the world community that they are very much barring Iran from accessing the U.S. dominated financial system. Undersecretary Thomas Shannon insisted that the "rumors" that Iran is free to make transactions in U.S. dollars with the elimination of the nuclear sanctions is not true, and that there are no plans to allow Iran to do so.

The White House also issued a statement the same day assuring Congress that they will not allow foreign banks to access the U.S. financial system related to facilitating any trade involving Iran.

This all amounts to an admission that the U.S. sanctions relief from the P5+1 deal was, as described by Supreme Leader Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei, largely "on paper," and that it is extremely disingenuous of the administration to deny any responsibility in Iran's difficulty in conducting business transactions which are now perfectly legal under international law.

Meaning, Now we know what the deal is really about. It is about constraining Iran's military capabilities, ultimately paving the way for military action. It is never about a thawing in relations between Tehran and

Despite the nuclear deal, the United States doesn't want peace with Iran. It wants war. According to Defense Secretary Ash Carter, attacking Iran out of nowhere is one the best things about the nuclear deal. In his words, "One of the reasons this deal is a good one is that it does nothing to prevent the military option. The U.S. and Israel could agree to disagree about the merits of the plan, but that the planning for an aggressive war against Iran would continue."

Some might say this is all about the Obama administration trying to appease a disgruntled Israel, and that the latest comments are designed to placate Prime Murderer Benjamin Netanyahu, whose objections seem to center around the pact getting in the way of his decades of agitating for war against Iran.

Regardless, the official comments from Washington does add to the Iranian and international mistrust of Washington in the wake of the nuclear deal, and whether they are going to renege on the pact or make the silly decision to launch a unilateral war out of nowhere for no rea-

This is while Iran has made it clear that it doesn't welcome war, and according to the International Atomic Energy Agency, continues to commit itself to the nuclear deal. However, if that (the war) happens, it is the War Party that will be cutting and running with its tail between its legs. According to Supreme Leader Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei, the U.S. doesn't have any chance of winning any war on Iran.

Defense Minister:

West Trying to Hinder Iran's Defense Program

TEHRAN (Tasnim) - Iranian Defense Minister Brigadier General Hussein Dehqan on Wednesday slammed Western countries for their continued hostilities toward the Islamic Republic, saying they are resorting to any means to hold back Iran's defense industry.

"Westerners have created conditions so that no country possessing technical knowhow (in the defense industry) would help us," Brigadier General Dehqan said, addressing a ceremony to inaugurate a factory mass-producing

octogen explosives. However, he added, "we should seek to strengthen our defense infrastructure and reduce our dependence" and develop a domestic industry.

The defense minister further said that the U.S. has always tried to confront Iran in software and hardware dimensions and regional countries are also seeking to increase their military capabilities through buying Western weapons. For this reason, the Islamic Republic should boost its defense preparedness in line with its interests, Brigadier General Dehqan said.

To that end, the Defense Ministry is making efforts to Increase the precision and power of its weapons systems and has put the issue of reaching the technical knowhow needed for producing octogen explosives and related products on the agenda, he went on to say.

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Kayhan Iran Lambasts Support for Zionist Nukes



Iran's Deputy Ambassador to the United Nations (UN) Gholam Hussein Dehgani

TEHRAN (Press TV) -- Iran's deputy ambassador to the UN says it is ironical that the Israeli regime's nuclear program receives copious support from certain countries.

The support is accorded even as the regime violates all international rules on the non-proliferation

of weapons of mass destruction, Gholam Hussein Dehqani said on

"One of the biggest historical ironies is that the Zionist regime, which has flouted all international rules and norms on the prohibition of weapons of mass destruction,

Documents Signed With Turkey, Azerbaijan

TEHRAN (Press TV) -- Foreign ministers of Iran, Azerbaijan and Turkey have signed two documents to strengthen trilateral cooperation and improve peace and security in the region.

Iran's Foreign Minister Muhammad Javad Zarif and his Turkish and Azeri counterparts Mevlut Cavusoglu and Elmar Mammadyarov, respectively, signed the documents and issued a statement on Tuesday at the end of the fourth session of trilateral talks in the Iranian city of Ramsar in the northern Mazandaran Province.

Zarif said foreign ministers of the three countries agreed that their deputies would set up a steering committee to follow up on decisions adopted during the trilateral meeting in Ramsar.

He added that the statement of the meeting called for bolstering cooperation among Tehran, Ankara and Baku based on common principles to which the three sides are committed.

The Iranian minister said the

three sides agreed to cooperate on a variety of issues, including transit, energy, tourism and cul-

He emphasized that the three countries held good discussion and agreed to enhance cooperation to improve peace and security in the region.

Zarif also said participants at the meeting called for observing international regulations and implementing international accords, particularly a nuclear agreement, dubbed the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA), reached between Iran and the P5+1 group of countries in July 2015.

After Iran and the five permanent members of the UN Security Council – the United States, France, Britain, China and Russia – plus Germany started to implement the JCPOA on January 16, all nuclear-related sanctions imposed on Tehran by the European Union, the Security Council and the U.S. were lifted. Iran has, in return, put some limitations on its nuclear activities.

Zarif further noted that the next ministerial meeting between Iran, Azerbaijan and Turkey will be hosted by the Republic of Azerbaijan.

Tehran, Baku and Ankara had met in the northwestern Iranian city of Orumiyeh in West Azarbaijan Province in 2011, Van in 2014.

in Azeri city of Nakhichevan in 2012 and in the Turkish city of The mechanism to set up the foreign ministerial meeting among Iran, Azerbaijan and Turkey pursues objectives including

exchanging views on trilateral

and regional issues on the basis

of understanding and ways to

strengthen stability and security.

receives the most technical and financial support from certain nuclear countries to build such weapons," Dehqani said.

In his addressed to the annual session of the world body's Disarmament Commission, Dehgani also referred to the Israeli regime as "the only" obstacle to the realization of a nuclear-free Middle East. While the Tel Aviv regime pur-

sues a policy of so-called deliberate ambiguity about its nuclear bombs, it is estimated to have 200 to 400 nuclear warheads in its ar-

The regime has refused to allow inspections of its military nuclear facilities or to sign the nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT).

Dehqani regretted that U.S. and British opposition last year prevented a conference on the revi-

The Holy Qur'an

fight a people who broke their oaths and aimed at the expulsion of the Apostle, and they attacked you first; do you fear them? But Allah is most deserving that you should fear Him, if you are believers.

The Holy Qur'an (9.13)

PRAYER TIMINGS

Noon (Zohr)

19:49 Evening(Maghreb)

Dawn(Fajr)" Tomorrow" 05:15

Sunrise "Tomorrow"

06:41

sion of the NPT, thus precluding the reformation of the agreement's content toward advancing global nuclear disarmament. He said the countries put up the

opposition not based on their national security interest, but merely to protect the Israeli nuclear pro-The NPT review conference

was held at the UN headquarters in New York from April 27 to May 22, 2015. The event stopped short of adopting a final document aimed at achieving a Middle East free of nuclear weapons.

Dehqani also said the United States has allocated one trillion dollars to renovating its nuclear arsenal. "This has faced the world with a new nuclear arms race."

Toward the complete obliteration of the world's nuclear weapons, the envoy suggested, a comprehensive approach should be adopted and an all-embracing convention be devised similar to the Chemical Weapons Convention.



Immoral

HEMAYAT: Sending the Syrian refugees back to where they came from, paying the Turkish government extortion money to keep them in inhuman conditions, and turning a blind eye to Turkey's own human rights violations is wrought with moral and legal flaws. Even so, it will not resolve the EU's refugee crisis, and certainly it will not end the

Lie

ETTELA'AT: The illegal war on Iraq was a lie. There were no biological or nuclear weapons. Iraq was not an important sponsor of Takfiri and Salafi terrorism. This was all fueled by America's own allies, mainly Saudi Arabia, Turkey, Jordan, UAE, and Qatar. The U.S.-led invasion turned Iraq into precisely the sort of failed-state sectarian war zone that the regime changers wanted to be.

Democracy

MIZAN: In places like Saudi Arabia, Bahrain and occupied Palestine there can be no democracy and peace without political development, no political development without peace, and no lasting freedom without justice, inclusion, equality, and respect for human rights. By refusing to prevent injustice, and by selling its deadly weapons to these regimes, the west is diminishing and threatening the rights of every pro-democracy protester.

Quailing

JOMHOURI ESLAMI: Europe may be quailing at the number of refugees trying to get in, but it is as nothing compared to the numbers that Syria's neighbors have been dealing with for years. Just like the EU which claims can no longer accommodate more refugees, the people of Syria can no longer cope with the unthinkable and tragic choices they have to make either. The only way to end Europe's refugee crisis is to end the war on Syria