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## In the Name of the Most High Viewpoint

## President Raisi's UN Address Awakens Frozen Consciences

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*It was not just an appropriate appraisal of the Islamic Republic, its goals for the welfare of its people in line with Iran's sovereignty, security, independence, and progress as well as ensuring of regional stability, but also an excellent display of diplomacy on the international scene in quest of world peace and justice by firmly opposing hegemony, terrorism, occupation, exploitation, interference, sanctions and discrimination.*

*In other words, President Seyyed Ibrahim Raisi's maiden speech at the UN General Assembly on Tuesday through video that echoed in the main hall of the World Body in New York to the rapt attention of delegates from around the globe, was the first time in many years that an Iranian Chief Executive was neither after undue expectations nor trying to unnecessarily appease big powers by harping on any flawed accord in the misconstrued hope of lifting of some illegal sanctions.*

*He was frank and forthright when he said "the perseverance of nations is stronger than the power of the superpowers", and "sanctions, especially sanctions on medicine at the time of the COVID-19 pandemic, are crimes against humanity."*

*He took note of the undeniable fact that "the US' hegemonic system has no credibility, whether inside or outside the country", by pointing to two of the most disgraceful events of 2021 that occurred "from the Capital Hill (in Washington) to Kabul (in Afghanistan)", sending "one clear message to the world" and leaving a permanent blot on the lawless American regime.*

*"Two scenes made history: one was on January the 6th when the US Congress was attacked by crowds and, two, when the people of Afghanistan were dropped down (to their death) from the US planes in August."*

*Raisi in his speech that seemed to awaken the conscience of the audience and rattled the enemies of humanity, said: "The result of seeking hegemony has been blood-spilling and instability, and ultimately, defeat and escape. Today, the US does not get to exit Iraq and Afghanistan but is expelled. And, at the same time, it is the oppressed people, from Palestine and Syria to Yemen and Afghanistan, as well as the US taxpayers, who have to pay for this lack of rationality."*

*He outlined the strategic thoughts of the Islamic Republic of Iran as "rooted in the ideas of the Father of the Islamic Revolution, the late Imam Khomeini (RA) as well as in the genuine concepts of true Islam, i.e. rationality, prudence and pondering and have resulted in the resistance in line with the national interests of countries."*

*The Iranian president made clear the rationality of Tehran's blueprint for regional peace without any meddling by outsiders whose goal is destabilization that would ultimately boomerang upon them, when he said:*

*"It has been our policy to strive for the preservation of stability and territorial integrity of all the countries of the region. If not for the power and role of Iran alongside the governments and peoples of Syria and Iraq as well as all the selfless efforts of Martyrs Abu Mahdi al-Muhandis and General Qassem Soleimani, today ISIS (terrorists) would be the Mediterranean neighbours of Europe. And, of course, ISIS will not be the last wave of extremism."*

*He deplored the illegal and unwarranted military presence of the US in Syria and Iraq as "the biggest hindrance to the establishment of democracy and will of nations", adding: Freedom does not fit in the backpacks of soldiers coming from outside the region."*

*On neighbouring Afghanistan, he did not mince any words when he objected to the Taliban militia's imposing of their factional rule on the whole country, saying: "If an inclusive government having an effective participation of all ethnicities shouldn't emerge to run Afghanistan, security will not be restored to the country. And like occupation, paternalism is also doomed to failure."*

*According to Raisi the solution to the crimes against humanity in Saudi-UAE-aggressed Yemen is the speedy and unconditional stop to the aggression, opening of channels for providing humanitarian aid, and facilitation of constructive talks between (only) Yemeni groups."*

*In his UN address that also included the chronic question of Occupied Palestine, he remarked: "The occupier Zionist regime is the organiser of the biggest state terrorism whose agenda is to slaughter women and children in Gaza and the West Bank. Today, an all-out blockade has turned Gaza to the biggest prison in the world."*

*He reiterated: "There is only one solution: holding a referendum with the participation of all Palestinians of all religions and ethnicities including Muslims, Christians and (original) Jews. This solution was set forth by the Leader of the Islamic Revolution (Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei) many years ago which is now registered as one of the official documents of the United Nations."*

*The Islamic Republic is for cooperation with all world countries, he concluded.*

## FM Amir-Abdollahian Tells Europeans: JCPOA's Revival Should Benefit Iran



*Iranian Foreign Minister Hussein Amir-Abdollahian, left, meets EU foreign policy chief Josep Borrell in New York on September 21, 2021.*

BRUSSELS (Dispatches) -- European Union foreign policy chief Josep Borrell met Iran's new Foreign Minister Hussein Amir-Abdollahian in the margins of the United Nations General Assembly, the EU said in a statement on Wednesday.

The meeting was scheduled in the absence of a ministerial meeting of the parties to the 2015 nuclear deal in New York during the annual UN gathering of world leaders.

"The Iranian Foreign Minister assured of the willingness to resume negotiations at an early date," the EU said in a statement. "High Representative Borrell ... underlined once again the great importance of a quick resumption of the Vienna talks."

The remaining signatories of the nuclear deal have held six rounds

of talks in Vienna to try and work out how the U.S. should return to compliance with the pact, which was abandoned by former U.S. President Donald Trump in 2018.

President Joe Biden has said the U.S. wants to return to the nuclear agreement officially known as the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA), but his government has taken no measures to undo his predecessor's wrongs.

Amir-Abdollahian said the administration of President Ebrahim Raisi is pragmatic within the framework of its principles and would seek a practical outcome through the Vienna format.

"Our criterion is the action of the other parties and not their words," he said.

"Although Biden has verbally

criticized Trump's policies, he has in practice pursued the same policies toward Iran," said Amir-Abdollahian, noting that the Biden administration's policies toward Iran have been unconstructive so far.

"If the Americans think they will succeed by putting pressure on Iran, they are one hundred percent wrong," he said. "The Iranian people have shown a strong response to pressure and threats."

The chief Iranian diplomat called "unacceptable" the imposition of new sanctions by the U.S. despite occasionally uttering positive comments.

He also criticized the three European parties to the JCPOA—Britain, France and Germany—for

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## FM Renews Iran's Outreach to Neighbors

NEW YORK (Dispatches) -- Foreign Minister Hussein Amir-Abdollahian says bolstering relations with Iran's neighbors and regional states is top on the agenda of the country's new administration.

Amir-Abdollahian made the remarks on Tuesday in an address to a multilateral meeting on Iraq, which was held in New York on the sidelines of the 76th session of the United Nations General Assembly.

He reiterated the Islamic Republic's support for Iraq's stability, security and development as a friendly country, and other regional countries.

"We recently hosted the Iraqi prime minister. We hope that in the light of developing bonds be-

tween the Islamic Republic of Iran and the Republic of Iraq, ties with Iraq's other neighbors will come out of stagnation and turn into an active and dynamic process in line with the interests of the regional countries," he said.

"Once again, I emphasize that the priority of the new government of the Islamic Republic of Iran is to strengthen and develop relations with neighbors and the region. I hope such summits and meetings will lead to a new chapter of cooperation and participation between those in the region to achieve peace."

In addition to Iran, representatives from Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, Kuwait, Egypt, Qatar,

France, the European Union, the Arab League, the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) and the Persian Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) attended the ministerial committee meeting of the Baghdad Conference for Cooperation and Partnership, which was held at the residence of the Iraqi ambassador in New York and was headed by Iraqi Foreign Minister Fuad Hussein.

The Baghdad Conference took place in the Iraqi capital on August 28 with the aim of easing tensions in the region.

Elsewhere in his remarks, the top Iranian diplomat said, "Our reunion at this meeting reminds us that

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## Teahouse Tradition Keeps Brewing Up Love in Iran

TEHRAN -- With his trimmed beard, red scarf and bronze-colored waistcoat, Kazem Mabhtutian serves a steady stream of customers in the smallest and oldest teahouse in Tehran, but at 63 years old, he is counting on God to find him a successor.

Tucked in an alleyway of the Grand Bazaar, wedged between a clothes shop and the door of a mosque, his 1.5-square-metre chaikhaneh (tea house) is invisible from the main street, AFP reported.

And yet it is the most famous among tea connoisseurs in the Iranian capital.

In between pouring glasses of steaming brew for his custom-

ers, Mabhtutian tells the century-old story of the fabled Haj Ali Darvish Tea House with pride.

His father Haj Ali Mabhtutian, nicknamed the Dervish or Beheshti, or "He who deserves paradise", was born in Hamedan in western Iran, he says.

"He came to Tehran at the age of 15 to earn a living. He bought this shop from Haj Hassan who had opened it in 1918."

Arranged around him are cups and teapots, boxes of tea and a samovar water-heater. There is an antiquated radio, a paraffin lamp, statuettes of dervishes, and gold-colored sticks of Nabat, a saffron-scented barley sugar.

On the wall, a tourism ministry

certificate assures that the place "is part of the intangible heritage of the national culture".

Aside from the traditional Iranian black tea, Mabhtutian prepares cardamon, cinnamon, mint, thyme and hibiscus brews every day from 7:30 am.

But his favorite is his signature "tea of kindness", a mixture of mint, lemon and saffron which gives it a zesty yellow color.

Business is usually steady: experts say that Iranians consume an average of nine small glasses of tea a day, or 100,000 tonnes nationwide every year.

"Until 2007, my father ran this house, known as the smallest in

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The Holy Qur'an

Had they gone forth with you, they would not have added to you aught save corruption, and they would certainly have hurried about among you seeking (to sow) dissension among you, and among you there are those who hearken for their sake; and Allah knows the unjust.

### PRAYER TIMINGS

Noon (Zohr)	11:57
Evening (Maghreb)	18:19
Dawn (Fajr) "Tomorrow"	04:29
Sunrise "Tomorrow"	05:53

## General Salami: Enemy Facing a Quandary

TEHRAN -- The enemies of the Islamic Republic are facing a lose-lose situation with a sense of "strategic frustration", head of the Islamic Revolution Guards Corps (IRGC) Major General Hussein Salami said Wednesday.

He said the Islamic Revolution has handled confrontation with the enemies in such a way that they are currently stuck in a lose-lose condition.

"The enemy will have to pay a cost if it chooses to stay and will feel the disgrace of escape if it runs away," the commander added.

General Salami said the enemies of Iran have a sense of strategic frustration and suffer from political dementia.

Pointing to the failure of the enemy's plot to impose an economic blockade on Iran, the IRGC commander said the Islamic Republic has also defeated the enemy's psychological warfare.

He went on to say that the U.S. has suffered a defeat even in employing tactics.

The world's most modern army had to withdraw from Afghanistan in humiliation and left most of its weapons behind, the commander said about the hasty pullout of American troops from Afghanistan.

On Tuesday, General Salami said Iran has "built power" to confront the United States.

"We have built power to defeat the U.S. When we build power for man's largest military empire, i.e. the U.S., small powers like the Zionist regime are no longer counted in our equations," Gen. Hussein Salami said.

He said Iran no longer sees the U.S. as a threat after it withdrew forces from the region, in an apparent reference to the recent chaotic pullout of American forces from Afghanistan.

"We witness a failed, fleeing and depressed U.S.," he said.

Salami also asserted that Iran has managed to weather U.S. sanctions. "Inside our own country, despite all natural or imposed pressures, the Iranian nation has been engaged in resistance," he said.