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In the Name of the Most High Viewpoint

Dastardly Drone Attack Ends in Failure

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Iran's cowardly enemies have again resorted to a dastardly act of terrorism against the Islamic Republic, and this time a crude attempt to target a defence factory in Isfahan.

Thanks to the vigilance of the guardians of the nation the aggressor drones were shot down before they could do any damage to the installations.

According to reports released by the Ministry of Defence, one of its workshop complexes had come under attack from a number of Micro Aerial Vehicles (MAVs), but the complex's air defences successfully repelled the attack.

It said an incoming object was shot down by the complex's air defence fire, while the other two MAVs were caught in its defensive traps and exploded, without causing any loss of life.

This and other kinds of cowardly threats will not scare Iran. The defence industries will continue their work with added impetus to nip in the bud any future attacks.

The identity of the enemy and the enemies backing it, is known to the Iranian authorities, which means retaliation will be devastating.

It is obvious the enemies are playing with fire and will be definitely be burned in the flames of the fire they have ignited, as is evident by the famous adage "Those living houses of glass should not throw stones at others."

The miserable failure of the recent riots triggered by the West in some parts of Iran is making them indulge in wild plots.

The acts of arson, murder, pillage, sedition, sabotage, and sacrilege committed by thugs, traitors, terrorists, blasphemers, and characterless women have exposed to the true face of the US, the West European regimes, reactionary Arab states, and the illegal Zionist entity to the whole world.

It is naivety on their part to think that these and other crimes against the Islamic Republic will halt the progress of Iran and make it subservient to the enemies.

The triumph of the Islamic Revolution 44 years ago changed regional and global equations, and there is no question of the freedom loving Iranian people, including the millions of women who were liberated by the Hijab ever being deceived by the exploitative West.

The future is bright for Iran in not just the defence industries but in all fields of modern science and technology including the nuclear fuel cycle, aerospace industries and artificial intelligence.

FM: Iran Warned EU of 'Very Harsh Response'



IRGC cadets parade during a graduation ceremony at Imam Hussein University in Tehran on Oct. 14, 2019.

TEHRAN -- Iran has warned the European Union that any wrong measure against the Islamic Revolution Guards Corps would draw a "very harsh response" from Tehran, Foreign Minister Hussein Amir-Abdollahian said Sunday.

Amir-Abdollahian's remarks in a meeting with four Iranian lawmakers who have been put on the list of sanctions recently imposed by the European Union.

Commenting on the European Parliament's push to designate the IRGC as a terrorist organization, the foreign minister said he had talked with the EU officials about the belligerent move two months ago when the issue was mooted.

Amir-Abdollahian said he made it clear to EU officials that if the IRGC was targeted which affected Iran's sovereignty or the country's official military force, Tehran's

"reaction and response would be very tough.

The Europeans themselves are aware of their state and vulnerabilities, he said, adding after the European Parliament's approval of the non-binding resolution against the IRGC, the EU council of ministers debated the consequences and came to the conclusion that "they cannot play with fire."

"So the EU opted for a second scenario and imposed sanctions on many Iranian entities and individuals, including the four lawmakers," he stated.

The recent move by the European Parliament has been strongly condemned by Iranian officials, commanders, and armed forces.

In remarks at a parliamentary meeting last week, Parliament speaker Muhammad Baqer Qalibaf warned of swift retaliatory meas-

ure, including designation of European armies in the region as terrorist organizations.

On Sunday, the Iranian parliament's deputy speaker warned of decisive response to European countries if they insist on pursuing hostile and aggressive policies against Tehran and fail to rectify their approach vis-à-vis the Islamic Republic.

"Over the past few months, the enemies of the Iranian nation have resorted to hybrid warfare to distort realities in the Islamic Republic. Now that they have miserably failed to achieve their objective, they are trying to exert pressure on Iran at the international level through various political scenarios," Ali Nikzad said.

"Europe should know the fact that complying completely with the

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Presidents Raisi, Aliyev Hold Phone Talks

TEHRAN -- Iran's president says Tehran and Baku have inseparable historical relations and will not allow those relations to be affected by the two countries' ill-wishers.

Ebrahim Raisi made the remarks during a phone call with his Azeri counterpart, Ilham Aliyev, late Saturday. The conversation came a day after Azerbaijan's embassy in Tehran was the target of a deadly attack.

During the phone call, Raisi conveyed condolences of the Iranian government and nation to the Azeri head of state.

He said the friendly and brotherly relations between Iran and Azerbaijan are based on indivisible cultural and historical connections.

"The governments of Iran and Azerbaijan will not allow the mutual relations to be influenced by the two nations' ill-wishers," he added.

President Raisi affirmed that the relevant Iranian government bodies are investigating the various aspects of the tragic incident.

For his part, the Azeri president expressed gratitude to Raisi for his sympathy with the Azeri government and people over the incident.

"This was an unexpected crime," Aliyev said, adding, "However, the two countries' cooperation on this issue should be such that nobody would be allowed to use such incidents to disrupt the two countries' friendly relations."

Iranian Foreign Minister Hussein Amir-Abdollahian also condemned the attack on Azerbaijan's embassy in Tehran, saying the enemies should not be allowed to take advantage of the incident, which he said was not an act of terrorism.

"We should not allow this incident to have any adverse effect on ties between the two countries," Amir-Abdollahian said in a phone conversation with Azerbaijan's Foreign Minister Jeyhun Bayramov on Friday.

The Iranian foreign minister expressed his sympathy with Bayramov over the attack, which killed the head of the security service of the embassy and wounded two embassy guards earlier in the day.

Parliament Speaker in Algeria to Attend Islamic Forum

TEHRAN -- Iranian Parliament speaker Muhammad Baqer Qalibaf says the 17th session of the Parliamentary Union of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation in Algeria provides an opportunity to reinforce unity among Muslim countries.

Speaking to reporters before leaving Tehran for Algiers to attend the 17th session of the PU-OIC, Qalibaf said the two-day event would be among "important economic and cultural opportunities" to forge unity among African countries and the Muslim world.

He said the conference was held at a very sensitive juncture as Western countries make efforts to spread Islamophobia and amid the special situation of Palestinians and the Israeli regime's measures against Palestinians in the oc-

cupied territories.

The conference, held on Sunday and Monday and attended by parliamentary heads from the OIC member states, discussed several topics on its agenda, including confronting Israeli plans and protecting Al-Aqsa Mosque, in addition to combating all forms and manifestations of terrorism.

Over the past months, the occupying regime of Israel has ramped up attacks on Palestinian towns and cities throughout the occupied territories. As a result of these attacks, dozens of Palestinians have lost their lives and many others have been arrested.

Most of the raids have focused on Nablus and Jenin, where Zionist forces have been trying to stifle a growing Palestinian resistance in

the occupied cities.

The United Nations marked 2022 as the deadliest year for Palestinians in the West Bank in 16 years.

Israeli forces killed at least 171 Palestinians in the West Bank and occupied East Al-Quds last year, including more than 30 children. At least 9,000 others were injured as well.

Elsewhere in his remarks, Qalibaf said that during the event in Algeria, Iran would raise issues in connection with the "Muslim world and solidarity for sustainable peace and development."

The top Iranian parliamentarian said he would also hold bilateral and multilateral meetings on the sidelines of the conference.

Qalibaf said it was a unique opportunity that the conference was held in North Africa which

The Holy Qur'an

Surely Allah's is the kingdom of the heavens and the earth; He brings to life and causes to die; and there is not for you besides Allah any Guardian or Helper.

The Holy Qur'an (9.116)

PRAYER TIMINGS

Noon (Zohr)	12:18
Evening (Maghreb)	17:49
Dawn (Fajr) "Tomorrow"	07:06
Sunrise "Tomorrow"	05:40

Drone Attack on Defense Workshop Thwarted

TEHRAN -- Iran thwarted a drone attack on one of the facilities of the ministry of defense in the central city of Isfahan, the ministry said on Sunday.

"An abortive attack was carried out on one of the workshop facilities of the Ministry of Defense at around 23:30 Saturday, by mini-drones," said the ministry.

One of the unmanned aerial vehicles was shot down by the air defense and two others were caught in air defense traps and blew up.

"Fortunately, this failed attack had no casualties and only inflicted minor damage to the ceiling of the workshop, which did not disrupt the equipment and operations at the facility," the ministry explained.

It added the country will move full steam ahead with efforts to reinforce its power and national security, and such "blind moves" will not affect national progress.

Isfahan, some 350 kilometers (215 miles) south of Tehran, is home to both a large air base built for its fleet of F-14 fighter jets and its Nuclear Fuel Research and Production Center.

Tehran has been targeted in Israeli drone strikes in the past. Iran has several known nuclear research sites in the region, including a uranium conversion plant.

In recent years, the occupying regime of Israel has carried out several covert actions on Iranian soil, including an attack using a satellite-controlled machine gun, which martyred a leading nuclear physicist, Mohsen Fakhrizadeh, in November 2020.

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