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In the Name of the Most High Viewpoint

The Folly of Ever Trusting the Devilish US

By: Kayhan Int'l Staff Writer

Never trust the devil, is a famous adage with its equivalent in all languages including Persian and Pashto.

Yet, those whom the Afghan people had elected to office were so infatuated with the devil that they never bothered to see through its temptations until they were unceremoniously kicked out from not just the corridors of power in Kabul but from their homeland itself.

The US is the incarnation of the devil, and the Islamic Republic of Iran had on several occasions warned Afghan officials of trusting the American occupiers.

These advises fell on deaf ears, and now after a year in exile officials of the former elected government are regretting their folly in placing their trusts in the US.

The latest official to rue the collective stupidity of the overthrown government is former president Ashraf Ghani who accepting what he called the "shared" responsibility for the fall of Afghanistan into the hands of the Taliban, is today blaming himself for trusting the US which negotiated a dubious deal with the militia that brought about his ouster.

He said: "One has to take responsibility for trusting a partner that then trampled our sovereignty and imposed the release of 5,000 [Taliban] prisoners, among them, the largest drug dealers in history in the region."

Ghani, who used to squabble with his presidential rival Dr. Abdullah Abdullah, said in an interview with the US-based Public Broadcasting Service (PBS):

"I take responsibility for having trusted our key partner (US) that signed our withdrawal agreement – and for one full year – its forces were not attacked by the Taliban, but our forces paid the highest price."

He was referring to the free hand given by the American occupiers to the Taliban for attacking Afghan government forces and civilians after Kabul was deceived by fellow Pakhtun Zalmay Khalilzad – an Afghan turncoat who slavishly serves US interests and whom Washington had used at the Doha talks as a decoy for lulling Ghani and his cabinet into sleep.

The former Afghan president is right when he says "the US propped up the Taliban. Without the Trump administration's role, the Taliban would not be here today."

Regrets will not reinstall Ashraf Ghani as president. Even if his radical Pakhtun cousins, the Taliban militiamen, are ousted from Kabul tomorrow for their own follies, especially the refusal to share power in a democratic manner with the other political, ethnic, and religious groups that make up polyglot Afghanistan, he will not be put back comfortably into the 34-acre Arg.

These expressions of regret, however, should jolt the conscience of governments in our neighbourhood who in order to safeguard their narrow personal interests (not national or Islamic) have more trust in the devilish Yankees than in Almighty Allah, little knowing that their turn might be next and even worse than the fate of Ghani's cabinet.

As part of its Islamic duties, Iran which is extra cautious in any negotiations where the US is also involved, will continue to warn the governments of the region of the dangers of relying upon Washington, the godfather of the despicable Zionists and the avowed enemy of all Muslim countries and people.

President: Iran, a Regional Hub for Health Services



President Raisi addresses a conference held at the Iran International Conference Center in Tehran Saturday to pay tribute to the country's medical society.

TEHRAN – President Ebrahim Raisi on Saturday touched on the growing number of patients who travel from neighboring countries to receive treatment in Iran, saying the Islamic Republic is regarded as the regional hub of health services.

Addressing a conference held here to pay tribute to the Iranian medical society, Raisi said Iran has a perfect position in the region and the world in terms of medical sciences as many Iranian cities are considered as "health hubs".

"Our scientific and medical ranking

is acknowledged by international officials," he said, adding Iran can rightly claim that it is a hub of health services.

The citizens of the neighboring countries have said that while they used to travel to Europe for treatment in the past, they now prefer to come to Iran for medical services, President Raisi said.

The president also noted that over 90 percent of the medicines used in Iran are produced inside the country, and Iran is now a major exporter of pharmaceutical products.

Raisi went on to say that many for-

eign heads of state have hailed Iran's progress in the medical and pharmaceutical sectors and expressed willingness to cooperate with Tehran in these fields.

In June 2019, an Iranian deputy health minister said the country had witnessed a 15-fold increase in the number of health tourists in the past decade.

The number of health tourists visiting Iran rose from 20,000 in 2007 to 300,000 in 2019, as the total revenues earned from health tourism reached \$1.2 billion.

Envoy to UN Slams Zionist Regime's Refusal to Join NPT

UNITED NATIONS (Dispatches) -- A senior Iranian diplomat has denounced the occupying regime of Israel's continued refusal to join the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT), stressing that establishing a Middle East region free of nuclear weapons is of utmost importance.

Iran's ambassador and permanent representative to the United Nations, Majid Takht-Ravanchi, made the remarks on the sidelines of the Tenth Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons held at the UN headquarters in New York.

"The issue of the Middle East as a region free of nuclear weapons is one of the important discussions... because the Israeli regime, as the only possessor of hundreds of nuclear warheads, is not ready to join the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty and place its nuclear facilities under the supervision of the International Atomic Energy Agency," he said.

He added that the Zionist regime's refusal to join the NPT comes as some countries are cooperating with the regime and have always supported it.

The Iranian delegation attending the 10th NPT review conference played a constructive role in highlighting the significance of a Middle East region free of weapons of mass destruction, he said.

As documents relating to the NPT review conferences in 1995, 2000, and 2010 have explicitly announced that the Zionist regime must join the treaty, the Iranian team emphasized that the issue should also be included in the final statement of the 10th NPT review meeting, Takht-Ravanchi added.

He emphasized that during the current conference, the Islamic Republic clearly announced that

it would not back down from its stance on the importance of a Middle East without any weapons of mass destruction.

"We said that this issue is one of the red lines of the Islamic Republic of Iran and if they want to act honestly and constructively, the literature used in the statements of previous conferences should also be used in this conference in order to move towards a Middle East without nuclear weapons," the senior Iranian diplomat pointed out.

He noted that Iran seeks to reach a consensus with the participants at

the current NPT review conference but it has principles and certain measures must be carried out.

In a Monday address to the Tenth Review Conference of the Parties to the NPT, Takht-Ravanchi expressed concern over the lack of progress in the implementation of the 1995 NPT resolution and the 2010 action plan on the Middle East, saying the occupying regime must eliminate its stockpile of nuclear weapons.

Takht-Ravanchi also slammed U.S. double standards, saying Israel's

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Iran Rebukes UN's Final Non-Proliferation Document

UNITED NATIONS (Dispatches) -- Director General for International Peace and Security Asadollah Eshragh Jahromi told the Tenth Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons in New York that the Iranian delegation shared the desire to see that the event "could conclude its work successfully by adoption of a meaningful final document".

"But unfortunately that is not the case. My delegation believes that the draft final document falls short of a meaningful outcome," he said on Friday.

"First and foremost, the issue of the establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the Middle East is of fundamental importance to Iran. However, the current text on the Middle East in the draft final document contained in paragraphs 165 to 172 is the product of a non-transparent and non-inclusive process which Iran was not part of that. My delegation was never given an opportunity to participate in consultations regarding the text and its drafting.

"On substance, the text on the Middle East continues to dis-

regard the agreed basis and language on the Middle East issue endorsed and adopted by the 2000 and 2010 Review Conferences in which the urgency of achieving universality of the Treaty in the Middle East and the importance of Israel's accession to the Treaty and the placement of all its nuclear facilities under comprehensive IAEA safeguards, in realizing the goal of universal adherence to the Treaty in the Middle East were clearly reaffirmed. Several times during this week my delegation did its best effort to engage constructively on this important issue to find a solution to narrow the differences based on the agreed and consensus language of previous Review Conferences.

"Iran in a spirit of good faith and flexibility was prepared for a compromise but it was not possible to abandon the previous agreements on this issue altogether. However, only due to the intransigent position of one nuclear-weapon States in rejecting the agreed language, the current text on the Middle East issue fails to preserve what was achieved at previous Review

The Holy Qur'an

How (can it be!) while if they prevail against you, they would not pay regard in your case to ties of relationship, nor those of covenant; they please you with their mouths while their hearts do not consent; and most of them are transgressors.

The Holy Qur'an (9.8)

PRAYER TIMINGS

Noon (Zohr)	13:06
Evening (Maghreb)	19:56
Dawn (Fajr) "Tomorrow"	06:33
Sunrise "Tomorrow"	05:05

Iranian FM: Ties With Tanzania on Path of Progress

TEHRAN – Foreign Minister Hussein Amir-Abdollahian said on Saturday that Iran-Tanzania relations are on the path to progress.

Referring to his meetings in Tanzania, Amir-Abdollahian wrote on his Twitter account that everyone is working to strengthen relations between the two states.

Following his trips to Africa, he tweeted a report of his meetings and talks with Tanzanian officials.

In Tanzania, he had constructive talks with President Samia Suluhu Hassan, as well as his counterpart, Amir-Abdollahian said.

He said managers from several ministries and the private sector accompanied him in the visit and held specialized meetings with their counterparts and officials of the countries.

Amir-Abdollahian's first visit to African countries as Iran's foreign minister began on Monday. He first visited Mali and Tanzania before traveling to Zanzibar late Thursday night.

Conferences and does not reflect the developments that had taken place since 2010," he said.

Jahromi said the Review Conference should not conceal the basic fact that the Israeli regime is the only party in the Middle East that has not acceded to the NPT and refuses to place its nuclear facilities under the comprehensive safeguards regime of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA).

"Moreover, Israel with the assistance and support of the U.S. impedes all serious international efforts to establish a zone free of nuclear weapons and other weapons of mass destruction in the Middle East," he said.

On the nuclear disarmament pillar, the envoy said, there is no concrete, time-bound and measurable commitment by the nuclear-weapon States to make urgent progress over the next review cycle in fulfilling their nuclear disarmament obligations under article VI of the Treaty.

"There are many clauses in the forward-looking section on disarmament

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