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**Viewpoint** 

### **Multimillion Rallies in** Iran & Abroad for **Liberation of Palestine**

By: Kayhan Int'l Staff Writer

The multimillion-strong rallies throughout the Islamic Republic once again confirmed the solidarity of the Iranian people with the oppressed people of Zionist usurped Palestine and proved to the world that the end of spurious Israel is near.

After spending the whole night of the last of the Grand Nights of Qadr (destiny) in prayer, the fasting Iranian Muslims took to the streets around 10 o'clock to the main centre of their respective villages, towns, and cities, to decry the atrocities of the Zionists and desecration of Islam's third holiest site, Al-Aqsa Mosque in the occupied city of Bayt al-Moqaddas, which the western press erroneously calls 'Jerusalem'.

In Tehran and throughout Iran the Zionist flag was trampled and burned and effigies of the ringleaders of the child-killer racist/terrorist entity were torched to the vociferous chants of God's Majesty (Allah-o-Akbar) and the pledge to liberate all of Palestine from the Mediterranean Sea in the west to the River Jordan in the east.

Similar marches were held throughout the Muslim world, even in such countries as Jordan which under Anglo-American pressures have diplomatic relations with usurper Israel.

This is ample proof that the Ummah will never leave the Palestinians alone and is ready to marshal all its resources to weed out the cancerous tumour called Israel, as was the vision of the Father of the Islamic Revolution.

Imam Khomeini (may his soul rest in peace) had designated the last Friday of the fasting month of Ramadhan as "World Quds Day" to awaken the conscience of all freedom-loving peoples throughout the globe, and had said "if each of the world's (then) 1.2 billion Muslims were to pour a bucket of water Israel would be drowned".

That day is fast approaching as is evident by the developments inside and outside the Occupied Land.

If the 'rock' revolution of the past marked barehanded Palestinians hurling stones at the Israeli military vehicles and soldiers, today the defenders of their homeland, especially in the besieged enclave of Gaza, have shown their ingenuity by ushering in the rocket revolution with the manufacture of deadly missiles capable of piercing the so-called iron dome of the enemy.

Soon the people of the West Bank of River Jordan will be in possession of fire arms and, of course, projectiles to target the cowardly Zionists, with promises of the huge explosion to come in harmony with the Resistance Front which is sparing no efforts for D-Day.

At the same time, the Zionist entity is facing implosion with the deceived Jews of different lands lured to Israel, venting their anger on the streets of the various cities through violent protests and fierce duels with the army and police forces.

In the words of the Leader of the Islamic Revolution, Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei, who in 2015 had predicted a 25-year period for the end of Israel, it seems the illegal Jewish migrants themselves are determined to end the Zionist entity and return to their original homelands.

# Kayhan Iran, China, Russia, Pakistan Meet on Afghan Security



From left: Iranian Foreign Minister Hussein Amir-Abdollahian, Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov, Chinese Foreign Minister Qin Gang and Pakistani Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Hina Rabbani Khar pose for a group photo during a ministerial meeting in Samarkand, Uzbekistan, April 13, 2023.

SAMARKAND (Dispatches) -- The top diplomats from Russia, China, Iran and Pakistan attended a conference Thursday that focused on ensuring regional security in light of the situation in Afghanistan.

The foreign ministers of the four countries met in Samarkand, Uzbekistan, and discussed the need to cooperate with Afghan authorities to maintain political stability and to prevent a humanitarian crisis, the Russian Foreign Ministry said.

The ministers also talked about the coordination of efforts to "counter the threats of terrorism and drug trafficking from the Afghan territory."

"Afghanistan, today, needs regional cooperation and solutions more than the intervention of the West, the U.S. and those players who have spread poverty and instability in this important country in the region for more than two decades," Iran's Foreign Minister Hussein Amir-Abdollahian said.

He said the U.S. and its allies, as occupying forces, are responsible for their actions in Afghanistan over the past two decades and, as members of the United Nations, they should be held accountable for the ongoing situation in the

The top Iranian diplomat strongly advised the de-facto Taliban government in Kabul to fulfill its (Continued on Page 7)

# Iran Urges Probe Into U.S. Chemical Labs in Ukraine

TEHRAN – Iran has called for an manity," Foreign Ministry spokesinternational investigation into reports of U.S.-funded biological laboratories in Ukraine and elsewhere across the world.

"The published news about U.S. military biological laboratories in Ukraine and some other countries of the world is deeply worrying. Such activities are in contradiction to the international obligations of the United States, especially the Biological Weapons Convention (BWC), and pose a threat to human Nasser Kanaani tweeted on Thursday.

"The matter requires an impartial international investigation," he

A Russian parliamentary commission investigating Washington's military-related biological activities at laboratories across Ukraine concluded on Wednesday that Washington is developing a "universal" genetically-altered bioweapon comparable to that of a

"nuclear winter."

The commission added in its 207page report that the probe into the manufacturing of the highly-damaging bioweapon was based on findings made public by Russia's Radiation, Chemical and Biological Defense Troops over the past

"The United States aims to develop a universal genetically engineered biological weapon capable of infecting not only people but animals (Continued on Page 7)

# Leader's Pardon Benefits Nearly 90,000 Inmates

TEHRAN -- Nearly 90,000 people have been pardoned following Leader of the Islamic Revolution Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei's landmark mass amnesty decree on the occasion of the 44th anniversary of the Islamic Revolution in February, a judiciary official said.

Sadeq Rahimi, deputy head of the Iranian judiciary, made the announcement on Wednesday, as cited by the Mizan news agency.

On February 5, Ayatollah Khamenei in a decree agreed to a request by Iran's judiciary chief Gholam-Hussein Mohseni-Eje'i to pardon or commute the sentences of a significant number of inmates.

The mass amnesty was issued as the country was marking the 44th anniversary of the Islamic Revolution, which put an end to the reign

of the U.S.-backed Pahlavi regime in the country in 1979 and also coincided with the birthday anniversary of the first Shia Imam, Imam Ali (AS).

By the decree, Ayatollah Khamenei pardoned or commuted the sentences of a large number of Iranian prisoners arrested during the recent foreign-backed riots in the country.

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# Holy Our'an

Alms are only for the poor and the needy, and the officials (appointed) over them, and those whose hearts are made to incline (to truth) and the (ransoming of) captives and those in debts and in the way of Allah and the wayfarer; an ordinance from Allah; and Allah is knowing, Wise.

#### PRAYER TIMINGS

12:04

05:32

The Holy Qur'an (9.60)

Noon (Zohr)

Evening(Maghreb) 18:56

Dawn(Fajr)" Tomorrow"

04:04 Sunrise "Tomorrow"

### **Naval Parades** Held in Iran, Elsewhere to **Support Palestine**

TEHRAN -- The Islamic Revolution Guards Corps (IRGC) Navy has staged maritime parades in Iran's northern and southern territorial waters to demonstrate unflinching support for Palestinians as well their legitimate cause, and to condemn the occupying regime of Israel's brutal and heinous crimes against the oppressed nation.

IRGC Navy chief Rear Admiral Ali-Reza Tangsiri said on Thursday that participants in the drills in the Caspian Sea, the Persian Gulf, and the Sea of Oman sought to show solidarity with the people of Palestine.

He said the parades were being held simultaneously in a number of ports across the Muslim world, including in Syria, Lebanon, Yemen and Iraq and elsewhere in East Asia.

Rear Admiral Tangsiri noted that more than 2,700 vessels of the IRGC Navy as well as the Basij volunteer force took part in the parades to voice support for the Palestinian cause and Intifada (popular uprising).

"Nowadays, people in 120 countries are hoisting the Palestinian national flag in defense of Palestine. Even people in European states and Britain are running up the flag of oppressed Palestinians. Although Palestine and the Palestinians are oppressed, they are robust as they are connected to God. The extent of popular support for these oppressed (Continued on Page 7)

#### Ramadhan **Day-to-Day Supplications**

### 24th day

"أَللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَسَأَلُكِ فِيهِما يُرضِيكِ، وَأَعُو ذِبِكِ مِمَّا يُؤذيكِ، وَأُسَّالُكِ الرِّوفِيقِ فِيهِ لِأَنِ إِطَيعِكِ وَلا أَعِصَيَّكِ، ياجوادالسّائلين".

"O Allah, in (this month) I beg for that which pleases You and for protection against that which displeases You. Teach me to obey Your commands and refrain from disobedience. O One Who is aware of what passes in the hearts of the beings."

# Japanese, Iranian FMs **Hold Phone Talks**

TEHRAN -- Iranian Foreign Minister Hussein Amir-Abdollahian and his Japanese counterpart Yoshimasa Hayashi have discussed bilateral relations as well as regional and international developments.

According to a statement issued by Iran's foreign ministry, Amir-Abdollahian expressed Tehran's commitment to further deepen ties with Japan, which

has a long-established history. In a phone call, the two sides exchanged views on the development of bilateral cooperation in various fields, as well as

the state of Iran's talks with

the West to restore the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA).

Amir-Abdollahian noted that Iran always considers diplomacy and negotiation as a way to resolve regional and global challenges.

Regarding the war in Ukraine, the minister said the Islamic Republic is opposed to the war. For his part, the Japanese

minister called ties between Tehran and Tokyo very important, expressing his country's stance on the process of the negotiations to bring the JCPOA back to life.