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Viewpoint

Iran's Bull's Eye Missile Strikes on Terrorist Centres Rattles the US

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Iran's Monday midnight's missile barrage on the bases of two of the most sworn enemies of humanity, the Zionists and the Takfiris, hit the bull's eye, blinding with rage the Great Satan which uses this devilish duo to terrorize the Muslim world, especially West Asia.

The Islamic Republic has been the prime target of US terrorism ever since the people of Iran succeeded in 1979 to topple the British-installed Pahlavi regime and expel 50,000 American military and other personnel from the country.

For the past 45 years, Washington, following the capture of its spying den in Tehran by revolutionary students, has resorted to every conceivable crime against Iran's sovereignty but miserably failed, beginning with the crashing in the desert sands of Tabas of its airborne invasion force in April 1980 to the two terrorist bomb blasts in Kerman earlier this month – and in between the Zionist entity's target-killing of prominent Iranian scientists and military advisers based in Syria.

In one of its most unmanly moves the US in the aftermath of the defeats suffered in Syria and Iraq by its Takfiri protégés, also directly assassinated Iran's Hammer of terrorists, General Qasem Soleimani, along with his Iraqi trench-mate against terrorism, Abu Mahdi al-Muhandis at Baghdad Airport on 3rd January 2020.

Although Iran immediately rattled with twelve missiles the US occupation military base at al-Assad in Iraq as a preliminary measure, it has vowed proper vengeance, including through diplomatic and judiciary channels in coordination with the Iraqi people and government, who are also victims of American terrorism.

Thus, at a time when Washington is criminally involved in the genocide in Gaza through supply of weapons and funds to usurper Israel, whose cowardly bombing has so far massacred some 25,000 civilians, Iran decided it was time to destroy the centres of Zionist and Takfiri terrorism in Syria and Iraq from where the recent plots were hatched against the people of the Islamic Republic.

Iran FM: U.S., UK Attacks on Yemen Illegal, Strategic Mistake



Tens of thousands of people took to the streets of cities across Yemen, including the Red Sea city of Hudeida, on Friday to condemn the strikes by U.S. and British forces.

THERAN - Iran's Foreign Minister Hussein Amir-Abdollahian in a phone call with Secretary General of the United Nations Antonio Guterres on Tuesday strongly condemned the recent attacks on Yemen's territory by the United States and the UK as illegal and a strategic mistake.

Amir-Abdollahian and the UN Secretary General discussed the latest developments related to the Gaza Strip and the Red Sea.

During the conversation, Iran's top diplomat stressed the Islamic Republic's principled stance on protecting and maintaining security of shipping and navigation.

"By stopping ships that are bound for the occupied Palestinian territories, Yemen seeks to put a halt to the Zionist regime's crimes and genocide against civilians in Gaza," Amir-Abdollahian said.

He added that "illegal measures taken by the United States and the UK in attacking Yemen" amounted to a strategic mistake that would lead to further escalation of tensions in the region.

Since the start of the Zionist military aggression on Gaza in early October 2023, the United States and its Western allies have been providing financial and logistical support to the occupying regime in its ceaseless bombardment campaign against Palestinians in the besieged territory.

As part of their support for Palestinians, Yemen's Armed Forces and popular Ansarullah resistance movement have over the past month targeted several ships owned by Israel or bound for ports in the occupied territories in the strategic Red Sea after multiple warnings.

Elsewhere in his remarks, Iran's foreign minister expressed concern about the complicated humanitarian situation in the besieged Gaza Strip, reiterating Iran's readiness to send humanitarian aid for the Palestinian people in the territory.

The Zionist genocide in Gaza has so far claimed the lives of more

than 24,000 Palestinians, most of them women and children, leaving thousands of others wounded and millions homeless. According to the UN, about 85 percent of the territory's population has been displaced and forced into crowded shelters.

The regime has been also enforcing an all-out siege against Gaza that has prevented the flow of food, water, fuel, and medicine into the territory.

The UN chief, for his part, expressed concern about further spread of conflicts across the region, saying the world body is trying to stop the war and alleviate the suffering of the regional people.

He once again condemned the ongoing military aggression against Gaza, stressing the need for stopping it and sending humanitarian aid to Palestinians there.

Guterres also lauded the role played by the Islamic Republic in bolstering peace and stability in the region.

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Spokesman Dismisses Australian PM's Baseless Allegations

TEHRAN – The Iranian Foreign Ministry spokesperson Nasser Kanaani on Tuesday rejected the groundless accusations the prime minister of Australia has made against Iran, advising Canberra to reverse the wrong policy of siding with the U.S.

bourne on Thursday, Australian Prime Minister Anthony Albanese accused Iran of playing a "very destructive role" in the Middle East, saying Iran "should stop meddling".

In response to those comments, Kanaani said the govists group, and other extremist groups in the region, and in ensuring the security of energy in one of the world's most important maritime routes.

The spokesman also hit back at Australia for the reversed perception of realities across the region,

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President Raisi Urges Immediate Implementation of Agreements With India

TEHRAN - Iranian President Ebrahim Raisi says Iran and India should accelerate the implementation of bilateral agreements, including a strategic project to develop Chabahar port. In a meeting with Indian Minister of External Affairs Subrahmanyam Jaishankar in Tehran on Monday, Raisi said the two countries should adopt strategies to compensate a delay in the implementation of the agreements.

India has been developing a part of Chabahar on the Iranian southeastern coast along the Gulf of Oman in order to expand trade with Iran, Afghanistan and Central Asian nations. Pointing to deep-rooted ties between Tehran and New Delhi, Raisi called on the two sides to boost the level of relations in various sectors, including politics, economy, science and technology, transportation and energy.

Elsewhere in his remarks, the Iranian president said Israel's atrocities against the Palestinian people in Gaza are a clear example of "war crimes and crimes against humanity."

"An end to the Zionists' attacks on Gaza, punishment of the Zionist regime and fulfillment of the Palestinian people's rights are the only way to restore stability and security to the region," Raisi emphasized. He added that India can play an important role in putting an end to the Zionists' bombings in Gaza, lifting the blockade against the Strip and restoring the rights of the Palestinian people. For his part, Jaishankar said India is keen to conclude comprehensive and long-term cooperation agreements with Iran. India is fully committed to all its obligations regarding the development of Chabahar port and promotion of cooperation with Iran, he added. Raisi and Jaishankar also exchanged views about the two countries' common stance on the fight against terrorism and organized crimes, cooperation to establish stability and security in Afghanistan, promotion of mutual trade, especially through national currencies and maintenance of shipping security in international waters.

The Syrian and the Iraqi people who are fed up with the illegal presence of US troops on their soils and of the Israeli infiltration, have hailed the decisive Iranian missile strikes that reduced to rubble an assemblage of Takfiris in Idlib and a den of Zionist espionage activities in Erbil.

The people of Iraq are moreover enraged at the blind eye the autonomous region of Kurdestan has turned to the creeping in of Israeli terrorists despite the fact that it is a crime, often carrying capital punishment according to the Iraqi constitution, to deal with the Zionist entity and its citizens.

Hopefully, the government in Baghdad will seriously probe this matter without being swayed by the propaganda of the US ambassador, Alina Romanowski, an avowed Zionist of Polish origin who openly supports the ongoing carnage in Gaza, provides vital information to CENTCOM terrorists for violating Iraq's sovereignty and killing senior officials of the Popular Mobilization Units, and shamelessly tries to depict the criminals killed by Iranian missiles as civilians.

In view of these facts, wisdom should make the US withdraw its forces from Syria and Iraq (in accordance with the demand of the people of the two countries who have vowed to step up military action) rather than take them home in body bags, while intensifying the holocaust of the Gazans and trying to militarize the Red Sea from where Yemen has vowed to kick them out for good. In a statement released on Tuesday, Kanaani dismissed Australia's "unfair and groundless" allegations against Iran. Speaking to reporters in Melernment of Australia is well aware of Iran's major role in establishing peace and stability in Afghanistan, in the effective fight against Daesh, the terrorthe one-sided supports for the Zionist regime's crimes in Gaza, and the backing for the arbitrary military attacks by the U.S. (Continued on Page 7)

Court Holds Sixth Trial Session in MKO Terrorism Case

TEHRAN – The sixth session of the trial of the members of the Mujahedin-e Khalq Organization (MKO) terrorist group has been held in Tehran.

At the beginning of the open session chaired by Judge Dehqani in the 11th branch of the criminal court of Tehran province on Tuesday, the prosecutor's representative named Masoumeh Bolourchi, Yaser Jahannezhadi, Faezeh Khayat Hesari Muhammadi, among others as the main suspects of the session. The prosecutor's representative had in the fourth session highlighted the connection between the group and the French government. He pointed out that documents have revealed the MKO's ringleader Masoud Rajavi's connection with France and the role of the French intelligence service in the explosion at the headquarters of the Islamic Republican Party (IRP) in Tehran in June 1981.

After the armed action of the terrorist group in June 1981, Rajavi and several members of the MKO discussed whether they should declare that the group had entered the military phase and finally decided to make that announcement, he said. Afterward, he continued, Rajavi proposed to blow up the office of the IRP and the group decided to make preparations for the move. Then Rajavi traveled to France, and the bombing happened after his trip, he further explained, adding that Mehdi Abrishamchi, Abolhassan Banisadr, Rajavi, and several others then hijacked a plane to depart Iran for France, the prosecutor's representative added.

According to the criminal court, the MKO and 104 members of the terrorist group are being sued in the trial for committing inhumane crimes.

The MKO has carried out numerous terrorist attacks in Iran against ordinary people and officials since the victory of the Islamic Revolution in 1979, killing thousands of people over the past four decades.