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IRGC Stages Drill in Western Iran to Restore Security



Commander of IRGC's Hamze Sayyid al-Shohada Base General Muhammad Taqi Osanlou talks to IRIB at the site of the drill on Wednesday.

TEHRAN -- The Islamic Revolution Guards Corps (IRGC) Ground Force on Wednesday staged a military exercise in Iran's western province of Kurdistan with the aim of cleansing mountainous areas in Sarvabad city of anti-revolutionary groups.

Speaking to reporters on the sidelines of the drill, commander of IRGC's Hamze Sayyid al-Shohada Base on Wednesday said the Kusalan heights in Sarvabad were totally cleansed of elements linked with hostile groups.

General Muhammad Taqi Osanlou said the elements had been harassing local residents and undermining the security of the region which has a pristine nature and is suitable for livestock raising.

The commander restoration of security to the region would help restore calm and allow the local people to resume their economic activities without the presence of terrorists.

Last year, the IRGC launched several rounds of military strikes on the positions of separatist groups in Iraq's Kurdistan Region.

The first stage of the attacks began on September 24, after attempts by terrorists to ignite riots and unrest along border cities west of Iran.

The move by IRGC Ground Force to hit Iraqi-based Komalah and Democrat terrorist groups came after illegal entry by these groups' armed teams into the Iranian border cities.

Meanwhile, the IRGC Ground Force has smashed a team of terrorists in the country's southeastern province of Sistan and Baluchestan close to the border with Pakistan, the force's Quds Base said in a statement on Wednesday.

It said the team had been busted before carrying out its plans for terrorist operations in the southern part of the province.

The statement added that the

IRGC servicemen ambushed the terrorist team and disbanded it in cooperation with the Intelligence Ministry forces.

Two terrorists were killed and a third one was arrested in the operation, which also resulted in the confiscation of ammunition, weapons and explosives, it said.

Sistan and Baluchestan province, which borders Pakistan, has witnessed several terror attacks targeting both civilians and security forces over the past years.

Terrorist groups carrying out attacks against Iranian interests in the southeastern and southwestern parts of the country have known links to a number of repressive regimes in the Persian Gulf region.

Iran's security forces have invariably protected the border areas and managed to repel almost all terrorist attacks by foreign-backed anti-revolution elements across the country.

Envoy: Sanctions Hamper Climate Change Fight

UNITED NATIONS (Dispatches) -- Iran's ambassador and permanent representative to the United Nations says unilateral sanctions act as barriers to the targeted countries' contributions to global efforts aimed at tackling climate change problems, demanding an immediate step to the coercive measures.

Amir Saeid Iravani made the remarks in an address to the United Nations Security Council session entitled "Climate Change, Peace and Security" in New York.

"Iran, like other nations, confronts environmental challenges and climate change impacts such as pollution, water scarcity, sand and dust storms, desertification, and biodiversity degradation.

"These challenges are worsened

by restrictions on accessing foreign goods and services due to unilateral coercive measures imposed by the United States," he said.

Iravani said that illegal U.S. sanctions impede international funding, hinder renewable energy investments as well as access to environmentally sound technology, and restrict joint environmental research and educational opportunities.

"Consequently, environmental degradation in Iran negatively affects the rights of people to a healthy environment and a decent standard of living," Iran's UN envoy said.

The senior Iranian diplomat further called for an immediate end to the imposition of sanctions, saying that the unilateral coercive meas-

ures act as barriers to the targeted countries' contributions to "climate change mitigation efforts."

"Economic, financial, and technological assistance should be provided to countries in need, and relevant platforms such as the General Assembly, the Economic and Social Council, and the UNFCCC (the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change) should address these issues appropriately," Iravani said.

He underlined that the Security Council should refrain from encroaching upon the mandates of other UN bodies, as it lacks the expertise and tools to effectively respond to climate-related security risks.

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Sweden Lets Iranian Prisoner Call Family After a Year

TEHRAN -- A former Iranian judiciary official, illegally imprisoned in Sweden since late 2019, has been allowed to call his family after an entire year, his son has revealed.

"By God's grace and thanks to our friends' prayers as well as political and media pressures, Sweden finally stopped one instance of its inhumane behaviors, and my father was allowed to call after a year," his son, Majid, tweeted.

"I am glad that we got to talk to my father," he added.

Nouri was arrested immediately upon arrival at the Arlanda Airport in Stockholm more than

three years ago.

Swedish authorities alleged that he had been involved in the execution and torture of members of the anti-Iran terrorist Mujahedin Khalq Organization (MKO) back in 1988.

On July 14, 2022, a Swedish court sentenced Nouri to life imprisonment.

The court, which has been described by Iranian officials as illegal, convicted Nouri of so-called war crimes and crimes against humanity, based on allegations leveled against him by the MKO.

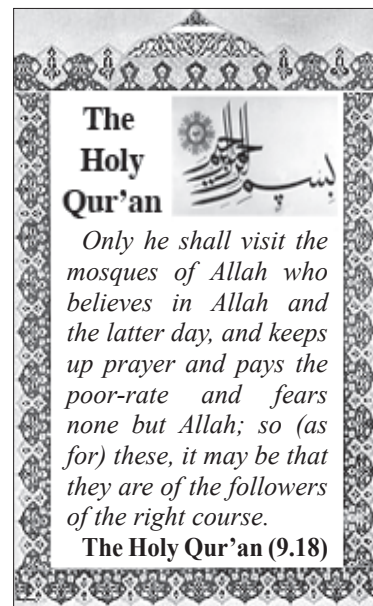
Nouri has been put in solitary confinement since his illegal arrest.

Speaking to his family, he partially recounted his ordeal.

"Being in prison already has its own concomitant adversities. If you are held in solitary confinement, it is like you are being held in a prison inside another prison," he said, adding, "I have been truly subjected to too much oppression... I am innocent."

"We are still pursuing cessation of his unjust trial so he is freed from the thralldom of incarceration," added the tweet by his son.

Last December, Nouri's son revealed that the victim had been tortured since the arrest, adding that the systematic ill-treatment inflicted on him had Israeli fin-



The Holy Qur'an
 Only he shall visit the mosques of Allah who believes in Allah and the latter day, and keeps up prayer and pays the poor-rate and fears none but Allah; so (as for) these, it may be that they are of the followers of the right course.
 The Holy Qur'an (9.18)

PRAYER TIMINGS

Noon (Zohr)	12:05
Evening (Maghreb)	19:43
Dawn (Fajr) "Tomorrow"	04:48
Sunrise "Tomorrow"	03:01

Iran Names New Ambassador to China

TEHRAN -- Iran's new ambassador to China Mohsen Bakhtiar has met with Iranian Foreign Minister Hussein Amir-Abdollahian on the eve of leaving for Beijing to start his diplomatic mission in the East Asian country.

In the meeting with Bakhtiar, Amir-Abdollahian said developing relations with Asian countries is a priority for Iran.

Amir-Abdollahian also stressed the need to make maximum use of the potentials that exist in bilateral, regional, and international cooperation with China.

Emphasizing the need for the full implementation of the 25-year comprehensive cooperation program between the Iran and Chinas, he also called for the implementation of agreements made between the two countries during President Ebrahim Raisi's March visit to China.

Former Iranian ambassador to China Muhammad Keshavarzadeh had announced the end of his "successful" mission in the country in a Twitter post earlier this week.

The diplomat said his achievements during his time as ambassador to China included the delivery of some 120 million doses of coronavirus vaccine from China to Iran, finalizing a 25-year strategic partnership deal between the two countries, and an agreement reached between Iran and Saudi Arabia in Beijing in March to restore their diplomatic ties.

Latin American Leaders Liken Qassem Soleimani to Simon Bolivar

By: Kayhan Int'l Staff Writer

Martyrs are always alive, even if they have physically ceased to exist, since they were killed for their unflinching faith in God Almighty, their selfless service to the betterment of humanity, and their relentless struggle against terrorists, whether non state or state actors.

On the contrary the cowards who unmanly murdered them, or ordered their assassination, and were involved in their killing, are eternally accursed, with the fires of Hell awaiting them, even if for the time being they happen to enjoy life by hiding behind thick security screens.

It is the blood of martyrs that ensures immortality to the ideology of the nation or nations, in whose defence they sacrificed their life.

This is fully evident in the spectacular progress of the Islamic Republic of Iran in the face of intense and intricate plots of the archenemy of humanity (US), whose hands are stained with the blood of hundreds of thousands of Iranians – unmanly murdered by agents of the Pahlavi regime, by the Ba'thist forces of Saddam, by the MKO terrorists, by the dastardly Takfiris, by the Zionist criminals, and by the Americans themselves.

The prime Iranian victim of Washington is without the least doubt Qassem Soleimani, the deft diplomat and brilliant military strategist, who was assassinated along with his heroic colleague, Iraq's Abu Mahdi al-Mohandis, during a peace mission to Iraq.

His killers are definitely living on borrowed time and even if Donald Trump, Mike Pompeo and their accomplices in his murder, manage to escape the noose of the hangman or the bullets of revolutionary gunmen for a few more years, they are destined for horrible punishment.

As the symbol of service to humanity, Qassem Soleimani lives on. His ideas inspire not just the Iranian people, but conscientious persons all over the world on the six continents although the hegemonic regimes in the western part of Europe, the northern half of North America, and the mini continent of Australia, shudder at the very mention of his name.

In Latin America General Soleimani is a household name as is evident by the rich tributes being paid to him by leaders and people of the independent nations.

On Wednesday President Daniel Ortega of Nicaragua during his joint press conference in Managua with Hojjat al-Islam Seyyed Ibrahim Raisi following the warm multitudinous public welcome of his Iranian guest, while condemning the cowardly US assassination of Qassem Soleimani, declared a minute of silence in honour of the icon of anti-terrorism, and hailed his services to humanity.

A day earlier in Caracas, President Nikolas Maduro acclaimed the role of Qassem Soleimani in inspiring the fight against terrorists and terroristic regimes – such as the US – and disclosed the plan to erect a statue of the Iranian general at the tomb of the father of Latin American revolutionaries, Simon Bolivar in the Venezuelan capital.

gerprints all over it.

"We regard the model of torture against my father, which includes severe restrictions and imbalance in services, to be the Israeli model," Majid said at the time.

Nouri is not the only Iranian, who has been subjected to illegal trial and imprisonment in Europe based on unfounded allegations.

Last month, Iran welcomed back home Assadollah Assadi, a former Iranian diplomat, who had endured several years of unjust so-called legal proceedings and incarceration in Belgium over concocted "terror-related" charges slapped against him by Brussels.