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In the Name of the Most High Viewpoint

Gaza Genocide Exposes **Ugly Perpetrators as Vengeance Looms**

By: Kayhan Int'l Staff Writer

If the holocaust in Gaza has blown off the fig leaf of human rights to expose the West European-North American regimes as comrades-in-crimes of the illegal Zionist entity and unmasked US president, Joe Biden, as the most dirtiest and dastardly killer directing the genocide, it has also uncovered the treason of certain Arab rulers to the systematic slaughter of the Palestinian people.

The UN, which in 1948 had acted as midwife for the illegitimate birth of Israel following two decades of rape by Britain, continues to be averse to not just the birthrights but the right to life of the persecuted Palestinian people.

This is confirmed by a glance at the past seven-and-a-half decades of massacres (e.g. Deir Yassin), wars (1948, 1967, and 1973), constant flow of illegal migrants and townships for them on occupied lands, treacherous treaties (Camp David, Madrid, Oslo, Jericho, etc. to kill the notion of even a mini Palestinian state), and the Intefadhas of the Islamic movements for liberation of the usurped homeland.

The World Body, in gross violation of its own charter, failed to hail the heroic Operation Al-Aqsa Storm of last October 7. And to pour salt on the wounds of the Palestinians it refuses to censure the crimes against humanity of the US in sending its navy and pouring in scores of billions of dollars of lethal weapons to aid and abet Israel's unbridled terrorism in Gaza whose defenders are deprived of access to even rudimentary weapons.

The UN is also well aware that its lame protests and the recently passed much delayed toothless Security Council Resolution for ceasefire will never halt, let alone slow down the mass murder of the innocents that includes the Eid Fitr targeted killing of three sons and three grandsons of Resistance Leader, Ismael Hanniyeh – in a bid to force the Hamas liberation movement to accept a temporary lull in the daily bombing for release of some so-called Israeli hostages before resumption of more brutal attacks from all directions to wipe out all Gazans.

Moreover, the so-called World Body has not castigated the US and the UK for their unprovoked airstrikes on Yemen for its right to target Israeli-related shipping in the Red Sea, but instead calls the popular Ansarallah-led government as 'rebels' and tries to prevent the legitimate supply of basic means of defence to them. Its Security Council neither castigates the Zionist entity's daily attacks on Lebanon's legendry anti-terrorist movement, the Hezbollah, nor denounces Israel's frequent breaching of Syria's sovereignty through bombs and missiles that earlier this month violated the diplomatic immunity of the Islamic Republic of Iran's consulate, resulting in the martyrdom of seven prominent Iranian citizens.

Persian No Launchpad for Any Gulf States Warn U.S.: Aggression Against Iran



An aerial view of maintenance city at Prince Sultan Air Base in Saudi Arabia, home to the U.S.'s 378th Air Expeditionary Wing which operates F-16 and F-35 jet fighters.

DUBAI (Dispatches) - Persian Gulf monarchies are urging the U.S. not to use American military bases on their territories to carry out any aggression against Iran, Londonbased Middle East Eye news website has reported.

The U.S.'s Persian Gulf allies are working overtime to shut down avenues that could link them to any U.S. attack against Tehran or its allies from bases inside their kingdoms, according to a senior U.S. official cited by MEE.

Saudi Arabia, the UAE, Oman and Kuwait have raised questions about the intricate details of basing agreements that permit tens of thousands of U.S. troops to be stationed across the oil-rich peninsula, it said.

They are also moving to prevent U.S. warplanes from flying over their airspace in the event the U.S. conducts an attack on Iran.

The U.S. has spent decades investing in military bases in the Persian Gulf. Given their close proximity to Iran, those airbases would be the most convenient launching pads for the U.S. against the Islamic Republic, current and former

U.S. officials have told MEE, it said. The Persian Gulf monarchies' re-

luctance is complicating the Biden administration's potential plans. "It's a mess," a senior U.S. official told MEE.

The official, along with two former senior U.S. officials who reportedly spoke with MEE, outlined three scenarios the White House was planning for Iran's expected retaliation for an Israeli strike on its consulate in Damascus, Syria.

Iran could strike Israel directly from its territory. A second option would be a coordinated attack by Iran's allies on Israel.

A third option could combine the two. Yemen's fighters have targeted Israel's U.S.-supplied Iron Dome missile system immediately, with the Biden administration concerned about a multi-faceted attack that could overwhelm those systems.

Iran could also strike Israeli embassies - including those in the Middle East - or Israeli troops in the occupied West Bank and Gaza, the outlet said.

U.S. President Joe Biden has said he informed Zionist prime minister

Benjamin Netanyahu that Washington's commitment to the occupying regime was "ironclad".

But the Biden administration is divided over what level of support to give Israel, current and former U.S. officials told MEE.

The president's highest-ranking national security officials have staked out different positions, with some like Maher Bitar, the director of intelligence at the National Security Council, urging restraint while Brett McGurk, Biden's top Middle East envoy, is advocating for a tougher response, sources told MEE, it said.

The Biden administration's fear of becoming embroiled in a wider Middle East war ahead of U.S. elections is also weighing on those discussions.

The Persian Gulf states' cold feet amid the crisis comes after years of complaining that the U.S. has not done enough to protect them. Riyadh and Abu Dhabi viewed the Biden administration's response to Yemen's drone and missile retaliatory attacks as tepid, and have moved to patch up ties with Tehran.

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TEHRAN -- The Iranian Air mid Vahedi said the Air Force units lamic Revolution Ayatollah Seyyed Force has undertaken to renovate will do their utmost and provide Ali Khamenei stressed the need for and bring into operation an inter- the necessary assistance to reno- development of the region. national airport in Konarak, an vate and relaunch the airport with In November 2014, in a meeting economic and military coastal zone located in the southeastern province of Sistan and Balouchestan. The Air Force and the Chabahar Free Trade Zone signed a cooperation agreement on the renovation of the international airport of Konarak.

with high-ranking navy commanaers, Ayatollah Khamenei said, "The

issue of development of the coasts

of Makran is also among those

basic tasks, and the plans for that

region should be carried out more

The Navy is now developing a

naval base at the coastal area of

rapidly."



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Evening(Maghreb)	18:56
Dawn(Fajr)" Tomorrow"	05:33
Sunrise "Tomorrow"	04:05

Iran Urges Italy to Use **Pressure on Israel to Stop** Genocide

TEHRAN -- Iran's Foreign Minister Hussein Amir-Abdollahian has called on Italy to make efforts to end Israel's genocide and war crimes in the Gaza Strip and the occupied West Bank to achieve comprehensive security in the region.

In a phone conversation with Italian Minister of Foreign Affairs Antonio Tajani, the top Iranian diplomat said Tehran has always played a positive role regarding the developments in the region and incurred significant costs for regional stability and security.

Amir-Abdollahian also expressed Tehran's readiness to improve relations with Rome given the historical ties between the two sides.

Tajani on his part called on Iran to show restraint over the expected response to a terrorist attack by Israel on the Iranian consulate in the Syrian capital of Damascus earlier this month. He also requested Amir-Abdollahian "for moderation '

"We cannot risk escalation at such an extremely volatile stage. All regional actors must show responsibility," the top Italian diplomat said.

Iran's foreign ministry issued a statement in which it quoted Tajani as saying that Italy along with the European Union condemned Israel's attack on Iran's diplomatic site in Damascus.

Tehran will tellingly retaliate in vengeance for this dastardly act of US-directed terrorism.

As a law-abiding member that has patiently endured the World Body's indifference to the targeted killing of several of its scientists and defence personnel over the past years by the devilish Zionist-American duo it expects the UN to desist from any unwise move aimed at impending the implementing of justice.

The culprits should be decisively punished for the sake of salvation of human rights which Israel and its godfather - super terrorist US – are sadistically trampling upon through wars against all humanity.

In such a case 'de-escalation' means indifference to humanitarian values and the right for satanic forces to indulge in more brutal terrorism.

In the meantime, it is hoped the treasonous rulers would repent and rectify their wrong policy of betrayal of the movement for liberation of al-Aqsa and all of Palestine before it is too late to avert self-destruction, since none can escape the Wrath of the All-Merciful God towards hypocrites and traitors.

In comments at the signing ceremony, Air Force chief General Ha-

the capacities available in their airbases.

The coasts of Makran, also known as Pasabandar, are located in Iran's southeastern region, next to the Oman Sea.

The strategic area has attracted the attention of many Iranian decision-makers and military officials, particularly after Leader of the Is-

Pasabandar. China 'Strongly' Condemns Israeli Strike on Iran's Consulate

BEIJING (Dispatches) --China has condemned the occupying regime of Israel's attack on Iran's diplomatic premises in Syria and called on the United States to play "a constructive role" in the West Asia region. In a phone call with his U.S. counterpart Antony Blinken, Foreign Minister Wang Yi "expressed China's strong condemnation" of a terrorist attack by Israel on Iran's diplomatic premises in the Syrian capital of Damascus on

April 1, Chinese foreign ministry spokesperson Mao Ning said.

The top Chinese diplomat emphasized the "inviolable" right to the security of diplomatic institutions and the need to respect the sovereignty of Iran and Syria, according to the spokesperson.

"China will continue to play a constructive role in resolving the Middle East issue and help deescalate the situation," Mao said. "The U.S. in particular

needs to play a constructive role," she added.

Blinken asked his Chinese counterpart to use Beijing's influence to dissuade Tehran from striking Israel, the U.S. State Department said.

In a post on the social media platform X on Thursday, Iran's mission to the UN said that the United Nations Security Council's condemnation of Israel's attack in Damascus could have prevented the need for retaliation.

No attack should be carried out against diplomatic sites, Tajani acknowledged.

The top Italian diplomat stressed the importance of ensuring maritime security in the Red Sea and called for the continuation of Iran's positive role in resolving tensions and promoting endurable peace in the region.

Tajani's appeal came amid fears that Tehran will retaliate after the Israeli missile attack on the consular section of the Iranian embassy in Damascus on April 1 martyred a senior commander of Iran's Islamic Revolution Guards Corps (IRGC) Quds Force, Brigadier General Muhammad Reza Zahedi, and his deputy General Muhammad Hadi Haji Rahimi along with five others.