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In the Name of the Most High

Viewpoint

Path of Martyrs Mightier Than Oppressor's Military Might

By: Kayhan Int'l Staff Writer

The blood of martyrs may dry and their bodies may lie under the surface of the earth but what remains eternal is their thoughts and their courage to stand against oppressors and occupation.

No wonder, the devils in human form despite murdering the righteous and destroying their dwellings, always remain in fear of the movement of their victims that eventually boomerangs to shatter the military might of oppressors and throw them into the dustbin of history.

This was the gist of Tuesday's speech of the Leader of the Islamic Revolution to a large gathering in Tehran that applauded his words with chants of God's Greatness (Allah-o Akbar) and "death to the US", and "death to Israel".

The American regime and the illegal Zionist entity are living in a fool's paradise if they think they have destroyed the Axis of Resistance through the unabated genocide in Gaza and the cowardly killing of some senior leaders of Lebanon's legendary anti-terrorist movement, the Hezbollah.

Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei in his remarks said: "Seyyed Hassan Nasrallah (Hezbollah Secretary General) and Yahya Sinwar (Hamas leader in Gaza) lost their bodies, but their thoughts remain, and their path continues."

The ample proof in this regard is the unrelenting resistance of the unarmed people of Gaza where the toll of the martyrs (mostly women and children) have crossed the 45,000 mark, while over a hundred thousand have are suffering various degrees of injuries – most of them maimed for life.

This same heroism is fully evident in southern Lebanon, where the people are firmly treading the path of their martyred leaders, inspired by the immortal martyrdom of Prophet Muhammad's (SAWA) grandson, Imam Husain (AS) in Karbala while his brutal killers have long vanished from the scene along with their short-lived empire.

The Leader of the Islamic Revolution also emphasized the dignity of women in Islam and warned against the plots of the US, the Zionist entity, and other ungodly elements to try degrade them.

He said, the "soft methods" of the enemies included temptations and dishonesty in their slogans, such as pretensions to defend women and starting riots under guise of ill-defined liberties – that are actually violation of the honour and basic rights of womankind.

In short, Gaza and Lebanon have shown the power of the Muslim women to defend their faith, homeland, and the path of the martyrs with indomitable resistance that will eventually eradicate from the face of the earth the cowardly oppressors, especially the illegitimate Zionist entity.

Eslami: Iran's Nuclear Technology Progress Unstoppable



Muhammad Eslami, the head of the Atomic Energy Organization of Iran, addresses a ceremony commemorating the martyrs of the 'Al-Aqsa Storm' in central city of Isfahan, Dec.16, 2024.

TEHRAN – Head of the Atomic Energy Organization of Iran Muhammad Eslami has said that the hegemonic powers can never stop Iran from making progress in the nuclear industry.

Addressing at a ceremony commemorating the martyrs of the 'Al-Aqsa Storm' in Iran's central city of Isfahan on Monday night, Eslami emphasized that with the endeavors and diligence of Iranian specialized youth, the country's nuclear technology will never be stopped.

He added that science and technology are among the main factors of power and authority; a country that can pursue its development independently, without reliance on others, especially the dominant system, will be able to maintain its independence and progress.

He further stated advanced sci-

ences and technologies in the fields of nuclear energy, aerospace, information technology, nanotechnology, and biotechnology are power-generating and authority-creating, and are usually monopolized by the dominant system.

Eslami emphasized that entering these fields for independent countries is often accompanied by conditions. However, Iran, whose people have paid a heavy price for independence, freedom, and the Islamic Republic, cannot be subject to the dominant system and accept their conditions.

The head of the Atomic Energy Organization of Iran, referring to the efforts of some countries to stop heavy water production in Iran and destroy related facilities, added that today, this heavy water is one of Iran's most important

products, used in various industries, including medicine.

In explaining the added value of nuclear technology products, he said that one ton of methanol produced from this technology is valued at over \$1.2 million, while ordinary methanol produced in petrochemicals is priced at less than \$500. Only a few countries are capable of producing heavy water, he added, noting that Iran uses heavy water and its derivatives for research and development in the pharmaceutical industry and other sectors.

Heavy water is chemically the same as normal water, but where the hydrogen atoms are of the heavy isotope deuterium, in which the nucleus contains a neutron in addition to the proton found normally. It can be used to turn natural uranium into plutonium.

Reopening of Iran's Embassy in Syria on Agenda

TEHRAN - Iran's Foreign Ministry spokesman Esmail Baghaei says the reopening of the Islamic Republic's embassy in Syria is on the agenda, provided that the necessary conditions are met.

"Reopening the embassy of the Islamic Republic of Iran in Syria is on our agenda and this measure will be taken whenever the necessary conditions are met," Baghaei said at a press conference on Tuesday.

The spokesman said he would not use the term "forthcoming" for the resumption of the activities of Iran's embassy in Syria, saying it requires a series of arrangements to ensure the security of the diplomats and staffers.

"If the conditions are set, we will do that", he said.

Iran closed its embassy in Damascus after it was stormed by armed militants last week following the

fall of the government of Bashar al-Assad.

The spokesman explained that Iran's presence in Syria during the tenure of Assad was based on certain principles while the withdrawal of the Iranian forces was also a responsible move.

Iran was not seeking to expand its boundaries or revive the past empires by acting in Syria, Baghaei added, noting that Iran was only trying to assist Syria in protecting the security of its people against terrorism.

"We were not in Syria to support a specific person or group. What mattered to us to the very last moments (before the fall of Assad) was to help maintain Syria's territorial integrity. We believe that the security of regional countries will guarantee security in West Asia," he added.

On December 15, the Iranian am-

bassador to Damascus received a series of recommendations from Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi to protect Iran's national interests and push for Syria's territorial integrity.

The collapse of the Assad government's army has left three major groups in control of Syria. While most Syrians are calling for unity, bringing together these groups and their interests will be a key challenge in the days ahead.

The main groups that control Syria are Hayat Tahrir al-Sham (HTS), Syrian Democratic Forces, and the Turkish and Turkish-aligned Syrian rebel forces.

One of the top challenges the new Syrian administration will have to tackle is the economy. Syria was already in bad shape before the start of the civil war, but throughout the conflict, the country's economic crisis further deepened.

Kuwait, Iran Hold 6th Meeting of Joint Consular Commission

TEHRAN - The Islamic Republic of Iran and the Persian Gulf State of Kuwait have held the sixth session of their joint consular commission with the presence of deputy foreign ministers of the two countries.

Vahid Jalalzadeh, Iran's Deputy Foreign Minister for Consular, Parliamentary, and Expatriates Affairs announced the successful

conclusion of the consular meeting with Kuwait in a post on the X network on Monday night.

The sixth meeting of the Iran-Kuwait joint consular commission was held in Tehran with the presence of Jalalzadeh and Kuwaiti Assistant Foreign Minister for Consular Affairs, Ambassador Aziz Al-Daihani.

The meeting was held at the Consular Office of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran and also attended by diplomatic staff of both sides.

Jalalzadeh had previously participated in bilateral joint consular meetings with Iraq and Turkey during his recent visit to these two neighboring countries.

The Holy Qur'an

But if they violate their oaths after their covenant, and taunt you for your Faith, - fight ye the chiefs of Unfaith: for their oaths are nothing to them: that thus they may be restrained.

The Holy Qur'an (9:12)

PRAYER TIMINGS

Noon (Zohr)	12:01
Evening (Maghreb)	17:14
Dawn (Fajr) "Tomorrow"	07:09
Sunrise "Tomorrow"	05:39

Leader's Aide: World Power Shifting From West to East

TEHRAN - A top military adviser to Leader of the Islamic Revolution Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei says the emerging new world order shows power is shifting from the West to the East.

"Today's world is in a geopolitical transitional stage, and the geometry of a new world order is emerging on the global and regional scale," Major General Yahya Rahim Safavi said.

"In this geopolitical transitional process, on the global scale, the power system is... slowly moving from the West to the East of this world," he noted.

Safavi said that the world is moving towards "multilateralism and multipolarity", saying "the Asian power or Eurasian power", composed of China, India, Russia and Iran, is "emerging" in the form of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) and the BRICS in order to "confront the unilateralism of the United States and the U.S.-led NATO military alliance, reducing the power of American dollar in global trade.

Noting that "we are living in a chaos-inflicted world and region," Safavi said the main reason behind conflicts and wars over the past 200 years is the regional and global powers' rivalry to gain "political, cultural and economic dominance over the world's strategic regions."

He stressed that the "convergence and unity" among Muslim nations and "the formation of a Muslim power pole" in the world is "the only way to save Muslim nations from the dominance of the global arrogance, particularly the U.S. and Israel, which is "the main cause of insecurity, war and genocide in our region and the world."

This pole of power in the Muslim world can be achieved through Muslim countries' recognition of the need for achieving sustainable security, regional peace and the progress and independence of the Muslim nations, Safavi said.