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In the Name of the Most High Viewpoint

Yemen's Air-Sea Blockade of Zionist Entity Cripples Economy

By: Kayhan Int'l Staff Writer

With the Red Sea already blocked for maritime traffic to and from the illegal Zionist entity, it is now the turn of the Mediterranean Sea to stifle the seaports of Israel or more properly Occupied Palestine, in retaliation for the unabated genocide in Gaza.

Are the days of the liberation of Palestine from over seven decades of usurpation by the non-Israelite and non-Semitic Zionists coming nigh?

Insha Allah (God Willing) the days of liberation are near, as the barrage of missiles and drones from Yemen have already crippled airports of the perpetrators of the holocaust in Palestine.

Most European, American, and Asian airlines have suspended flights, thereby paralyzing Israeli airspace.

Yemen' declaration of a comprehensive aerial blockade has prompted Europe's largest carriers—including Lufthansa Group, Air France, and EasyJet-to halt operations to Israeli occupied territories.

Lufthansa extended its suspension until at least June 8, while EasyJet is not to resume flights until June 30. Aegean Airlines also canceled its flights.

With relentless attacks on the major Ben Gurion Airport, penetrating the so-called Iron Dome defences, the Zionist entity faces unprecedented disruption in international travel.

Parliament's Statement: Iran Will Never Relinquish **Nuclear Rights**



MPs are seen talking during an ongoing debate on the floor of Iranian parliament.

TEHRAN - Iran's parliament on Wednesday stressed the peaceful nature of Iran's nuclear program, reaffirming that the Islamic Republic will never relinquish its nuclear rights.

The statement, read at the chamber, came a day after Leader of the Islamic Revolution Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei emphasized that Iran will not seek anyone's permission to enrich uranium.

The MPs said the U.S., which is grappling with deep domestic crises and successive foreign policy failures, is in no position to dictate

damental rethinking of security frame-

works in West Asia, emphasizing that

sustainable peace can only be achieved

by empowering regional actors rather

In an article titled "Building a

new reality for the region: Toward

stability, sovereignty and solidar-

ity in West Asia," Araghchi paint-

ed a sobering picture of mounting

challenges in the region, including

protracted conflicts, environmental

degradation, and humanitarian cri-

He said that externally imposed

security arrangements have repeat-

edly failed to deliver long-term sta-

ses.

bility.

than relying on foreign intervention.

its terms to any country, especially the great and independent nation of Iran.

They pointed to Iran's membership in the Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) and its adherence to the treaty's provisions, saying Tehran's nuclear and enrichment activities are entirely legal, legitimate, and in line with the NPT and the statutes of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA).

The statement further emphasized the rights of the Islamic Republic as an NPT member in the research, development, production, and use of

Araghchi Calls for Rethinking of

peaceful nuclear energy, stating that the peaceful nature of Iran's nuclear activities is guaranteed through the IAEA's safeguards and monitoring.

The statement highlighted the applications of nuclear technology in various fields, saying the level of peaceful enrichment is not limited to percentages under 20% and that Iran determines it according to the needs of the Iranian people for peaceful purposes.

"Renouncing this right would constitute a grave betrayal of national interests and the country's future," the statement said.

The Holy Our'an Surely your Lord is Allah, Who created the heavens and the earth in six periods, and He is firm in power; regulating the affair, there is no intercessor except His permission; this is Allah, vour Lord, therefore serve Him; will you not then mind? The Holy Qur'an (10.3)

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Noon (Zohr)	12:01
Evening(Maghreb)	19:28
Dawn(Fajr)" Tomorrow"	04:54
Sunrise "Tomorrow"	03:14

Pezeshkian Calls for Deeping of Iran-Turkmenistan Ties

TEHRAN -- President Masoud Pezeshkian says Iran is eager to expand ties with Turkmenistan in various fields.

In a meeting with Turkmenistan's Foreign Minister Rashid Meredov here, the president said strengthening cooperation between Tehran and Ashgabat will guarantee prosperity and security of both nations.

"Deepening and strengthening cooperation, especially joint and mutual investments between Iran and Turkmenistan, can guarantee the future prosperity, comfort, friendship and security of the two nations," he said.

Iran, Pezeshkian said, is keen to import natural gas from Turkmenistan, while it also has the efficient capacity to export and swap gas with neighboring countries.

The president underscored the need for building a gas pipeline between the two countries that can support multiple purposes, including domestic use, export, and gas swaps.

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Man in Deadly Attack on Azerbaijani **Embassy Executed**

Regional Security Framework TEHRAN -- Iranian Foreign Minister drafted without their consent or par-Abbas Araghchi has called for a fun-

ticipation," he wrote. The top Iranian diplomat said the current geopolitical disorder is rooted in decades of unresolved conflicts, worsened by foreign interference.

Araghchi warned that issues like water scarcity, refugee displacement, and economic fragility are shared threats requiring regional cooperation rather than competitive power politics.

"Security in West Asia must no longer be treated as a zero-sum game," Araghchi stressed. "It should be a collective endeavor based on mutual respect and inclu-

sive dialogue." However, he warned that no re role of Israel, which is destabilizing the region and operating outside international disarmament norms.

"A regime that systematically violates international law and enjoys unchecked military privilege cannot be part of any sustainable security framework," Araghchi said, citing Israel's nuclear ambiguity and history of regional military activity.

Araghchi called for West Asia to embrace a "homegrown paradigm of security" rooted in shared sovereignty and common prosperity, inviting global powers to support, rather than dictate, this transition.

"The future of West Asia will not be written in distant capitals," he said. "It will be authored by the peoples of the region, based on

Now it is the turn of Haifa on the Mediterranean Sea and other Levantine seaports of Occupied Palestine to bear the missile-drone barrages from Yemen shattering the US THAAD and the Israeli Arrow defence systems.

If Haifa and other Mediterranean seaports of Palestine are blockaded the Israeli economy will cripple because of severance of air and sea routes linking Europe.

Many shipping companies of various world countries have offices in Haifa and handle an extensive network of imports and exports. They will not risk multimillion-dollar damage to their assets and are likely to pull out to the exasperation of the Zionist entity.

According to Yemen's military spokesman Brigadier Yahya Saree who has become a familiar face for the world media with his regular announcement over the past year, "We begin working to enforce a naval blockade of the port of Haifa. All companies with ships present in or heading to this port are hereby notified that, as of the time of this announcement, the aforementioned port is within our range and a target."

"The people of this region have gional security architecture would frameworks reflecting their histopaid the price for policies that were be complete without addressing the ries, cultures, and collective will."

Envoy: Iran's Violation of UN Arms Ban on Yemen Unfounded

NEW YORK (Dispatches) --Iran's ambassador to the UN has rejected allegations of the Islamic Republic having violated the UN arms embargo on Yemen as "entirely unfounded".

"The allegation that Iran is violating the UN arms embargo on Yemen is entirely unfounded," Amir Saeed Iravani told the UN Security Council's meeting on strengthening maritime security. "Iran has consistently rejected any involvement in activities that would contravene relevant Security Council resolutions," he added. His remarks came shortly after the acting U.S. representative to the UN, Dorothy Shea, accused Tehran of violating a UN's arms embargo on Yemen through sup-

porting the Arab country's An-

sarullah resistance movement. She alleged that Ansarullah fighters "were able to threaten Red Sea maritime traffic" largely due to what she described as "Iran's defiance of the UN arms embargo" on Yemen.

Iravani "categorically" rejected "the baseless, politically motivated accusations made by the representatives of the United States and the Israeli regime."

Washington's accusations are both "misleading" and a deliberate attempt "to distort the realities in the region in order to deflect attention from the root causes of instability and insecurity in the Red Sea and beyond," he said.

"Iran has consistently emphasized that enduring maritime stability requires inclusive regional cooperation," he said.

Iran asserts that lasting maritime stability depends on inclusive regional cooperation, but unilateral U.S. sanctions undermine such a goal by disrupting legal trade, seizing Iranian oil, and violating international law, he said.

"Maritime security must not be selective or subject to unilateral interpretations. It must be upheld universally, based on international law, non-discrimination, and full respect for state sovereignty," Iravani stressed.

Iran, he said, remains fully committed to international maritime law and cooperates with all responsible stakeholders to ensure sea lanes remain open, secure, and governed by the rule of law, not by the rule of force.

TEHRAN -- Iran's Judiciary said Wednesday the man convicted of the 2023 fatal attack on the Azerbaijani embassy in Tehran has been executed.

"The law of retribution was implemented this morning against the attacker of the Azerbaijani embassy in Tehran," the Judiciary said.

In January 2023, the man shot dead one person and injured two others after entering Azerbaijan's embassy in the Iranian capital.

Following the attack, Azerbaijan's relations with Iran were strained, as Baku closed its embassy and evacuated staff over what it called a "terrorist act."

An initial Iranian investigation found that the attack was motivated by "personal and family-related issues.

In mid-2024, Azerbaijan reopened its embassy after the court sentenced the assailant to death.

As the two countries strengthen their bilateral ties, President Masoud Pezeshkian visited Baku late last month.

The two countries also held joint military drills in November and earlier this month.