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In the Name of the Most High Viewpoint

In Quest of Free Conscience

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"If you don't have religion, at least have a free conscience in your worldly affairs".

This is one of the famous statements of the person who stands as the supreme symbol of sacrifice to make humanitarian values immortal, and whose martyrdom conscientious people throughout the world commemorate during the first ten days of Muharram.

Imam Husain (AS) who made truth triumph over falsehood needs no introduction.

His universal message for the salvation of human societies from the tentacles of tyrants has long been internationalized and knows no borders, whether natural in the form of such geographical features as mountains and seas, or manmade like the imaginary lines drawn across regional and world maps to indicate nation states.

The blood of the Prophet's grandson triumphed over naked swords, because his uprising was not suicidal, but an accurately planned resistance and battle against heavy odds that has served as a catalyst for reforms and revolutions in every age and place.

If ceremonies commemorating the heartrending tragedy of Karbala are an indication of the spirit of resistance, the dedicated research of scholars of every field, including the defence industries, are further proofs of the Iranian nation's firm faith in the philosophy of Imam Husain's (AS) movement.

It is not an exaggeration to say that Iran is holding out the torch of guidance for human societies in their quest for peace and justice.

The Islamic Republic thus needs to mobilize all its resources for securing the country against every kind of threat, and also for continuing its humanitarian efforts for helping the people of the region and beyond (including Gaza) to overcome crises created by the hegemony to destabilize countries.

In short, as people all over the world – not necessarily Muslims – acknowledge the epic of Ashura as the most inspirational event for achieving the cherished goal of building a global society based on social justice and free of biological, chemical, and nuclear threats, the Immortal Martyr of Karbala, indeed stands out as the Ark of Salvation.

Imam Husain (AS), true to the tidings of his grandfather Prophet Muhammad (SAWA), has taught us that it is adherence to his path that enables us to defeat such sadistic hordes as the Zionists and the US regime.

Eslami: Strikes Cannot Stop Iran's Nuclear Progress



Muhammad Eslami, head of the Atomic Energy Organization of Iran (AEOI), speaks to reporters after a cabinet session in Tehran.

TEHRAN — Iran's top nuclear official on Wednesday declared the country's nuclear industry "indestructible," insisting that no external pressure or military strike can halt its progress.

Speaking to reporters here following a cabinet meeting, Muhammad Eslami, head of the Atomic Energy Organization of Iran (AEOI), said the nation's nuclear technology is deeply rooted within the country and will continue to advance despite mounting threats.

"This technology is indigenous and embedded in the lives of our people and the fabric of our land.

Bombing cannot eliminate it, and its path of advancement will certainly continue," Eslami said.

His remarks come in the wake of recent attacks on Iranian nuclear facilities by Israeli and U.S. forces. Eslami condemned the strikes as violations of the UN Charter and accused foreign powers of undermining international norms.

"What we witnessed was the rule of the jungle in today's world," he said. "But our nation has clearly understood the reality: without power, survival is not possible. The Iranian people have recognized this truth and have firmly stood by it."

Tehran Pushes for Compensation, Accountability From Israel, U.S.

TEHRAN -- Iran has condemned the recent Israeli and U.S. military actions against the country, demanding that the international community take steps to hold both regimes accountable for violating Iran's sovereignty.

Iranian Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi described the attacks as unlawful acts of aggression and pledged that Tehran would seek to have the aggressors recognized and pursue compensation through international channels.

Araghchi's comments came during a phone call with Armenian Foreign Minister Ararat Mirzoyan, where they discussed the broader implications of the conflict and bilateral relations.

The Iranian minister called on the United Nations and the global community to take concrete steps to ensure that Israel and the U.S. face consequences for their actions.

Araghchi pointed to Israel's air-

strikes on June 13, which targeted key military and nuclear sites in Iran, and which he described as a direct violation of Iran's territorial integrity.

Araghchi also thanked Armenia for its support during the conflict, particularly in assisting with consular matters related to Iranian citizens impacted by the war.

"The Islamic Republic of Iran is committed to pursuing its right to seek justice and compensation," Araghchi stated, reinforcing Iran's stance that the aggressors should be held accountable in international forums.

Ararat Mirzoyan, in his conversation with Araghchi, condemned the military actions by Israel and the U.S. and expressed hope that the cessation of hostilities would lead to greater stability in the region. Both ministers agreed that reducing tensions and avoiding further escalation were crucial for peace.

Eslami reiterated that Iran's nuclear program remains peaceful and fully domestically developed, emphasizing that it is not subject to foreign dependency. "No military pressure will halt our progress," he said.

Iran's nuclear infrastructure and expertise have been the target of numerous cyberattacks, sabotage operations, and airstrikes over the past decade. Despite this, Iranian officials maintain that the country's nuclear development continues unabated, with resilience built into its design and purpose.

In Geneva, Iran's Ambassador to the United Nations Ali Bahreini also condemned Israeli and U.S. military aggression against Iran as violations of international law and human rights, calling on the United Nations to hold both regimes accountable.

Speaking at the 59th session of the UN Human Rights Council, Bahreini referred to the attacks, which took place between June 13 and June 24, as a "blatant act of aggression."

He said the strikes resulted in the martyrdom of hundreds of Iranian civilians, including women and children, and caused significant damage to critical infrastructure, medical facilities, and Iran's peaceful nuclear sites.

Bahreini hit out at Israel for deliberately targeting civilian infrastructure with direct U.S. support in violation of international law.

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The Holy Qur'an

But if you turn back, I did not ask for any reward from you; my reward is only with Allah, and I am commanded that I should be of those who submit. But they rejected him, so We delivered him and those with him in the ark, and We made them rulers and drowned those who rejected Our communications; see then what was the end of the (people) warned.

The Holy Qur'an (10.73)

PRAYER TIMINGS	
Noon (Zohr)	12:09
Evening (Maghreb)	19:45
Dawn (Fajr) "Tomorrow"	04:53
Sunrise "Tomorrow"	02:57

Iran Leads Call for UN Action Against Western Sanctions

VIENNA (Dispatches) — Iran and nine other countries have condemned unilateral sanctions and coercive measures imposed by Western nations, calling them violations of the UN Charter and an infringement on national sovereignty.

In a joint statement at the 53rd session of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), the countries stressed that such sanctions undermine the ability of nations, particularly developing ones, to meet their sustainable development goals.

The statement was signed by Iran, Russia, China, Belarus, Cuba, North Korea, Nicaragua, Palestine, Sudan, and Venezuela. It highlighted the negative impact of these measures on the global energy market, as well as key industries such as food, chemicals, and heavy industries.

The signatories warned that unilateral sanctions weaken multilateralism and the principle of international cooperation, which are fundamental to the United Nations.

The countries called the sanctions "illegitimate, illegal, and contrary to international law." They argued that these measures constitute interference in the internal affairs of sovereign states and obstruct economic and social progress.

"The imposition of such measures hampers the development of affected countries," the statement said. The countries urged the international community to condemn these actions and called for legal steps to counter their extraterritorial effects.

In addition to condemning sanctions, the signatories pledged to work towards creating open, fair, and non-discriminatory energy markets.

They also called for collective efforts to combat protectionism and discriminatory measures that harm global trade. The countries urged UNIDO to take steps to reduce the negative impact of sanctions on achieving

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Iraq Complains to UN Over Israeli Violation – But What About U.S. Role?

BAGHDAD (Dispatches) — Iraq's Prime Minister Muhammad Shia al-Sudani confirmed that his government has officially lodged a complaint with the United Nations regarding repeated violations of its airspace by Israeli warplanes during the recent aggression against Iran.

Sudani strongly condemned Israel's incursions, which were used to launch attacks on Iranian military bases, nuclear facilities, and residential areas during the 12-day war between the two countries.

"Iraq filed a complaint with the United Nations," Sudani told the BBC on Tuesday, calling the Israeli airspace violations an "encroach-

ment upon our sovereignty." He added that Israeli aircraft used Iraqi airspace to conduct airstrikes deep inside Iranian territory, further escalating the already tense situation in the region.

Sudani explained that Iraq's air defense capabilities were insufficient to intercept such violations. "We do not have an adequate air defense system with advanced technology to confront such violations," he said, highlighting the country's challenges in defending its airspace.

Despite these limitations, Sudani emphasized Iraq's determination to protect its sovereignty. "We will certainly

continue with our plans and will not allow any party — whether Israel or anyone else — to violate our airspace. We will use all possible means."

In the same interview, Sudani also criticized the U.S. involvement in the attacks on Iran, which he said only contributed to the escalation of the conflict. "The United States should not have entered the war as a unilateral party. This only led to further escalation, and we have been warning against it," he said.

Sudani's comments echoed Iraq's earlier concerns about the U.S. role in the conflict. The U.S.

military, which maintains a

presence in Iraq, has said its main objective is counterterrorism efforts, particularly against Daesh, although the group has largely been eliminated from the region. Iraq has previously called on the U.S. to prevent Israeli warplanes from violating Iraqi airspace, citing bilateral agreements and international law.

The prime minister expressed concern over the broader regional implications of the conflict, warning that the fallout from the war could spread to other countries in the region.

"If a fire breaks out anywhere in the vicinity, it will spread throughout the region. No one is immune from this fire," Sudani said. "This is not a theo-

retical concern; it is a real threat."

He also confirmed that the U.S. had not notified Iraq of its involvement in the attacks on Iran's nuclear facilities. "Absolutely not," he said when asked if Washington had given Baghdad prior notice of the strikes.

Last month, Iraq's government had urged the U.S. to prevent Israeli warplanes from using Iraqi airspace to conduct attacks on Iran. Iraqi military spokesman Sabah al-Numan issued a statement calling on the U.S. to uphold its responsibilities under existing agreements, which include preventing any violation of Iraq's sovereignty.