

'Long-Term Deal With Russia to Boost Bilateral Cooperation'

TIANJIN, China (Dispatches) – Iranian President Masoud Pezeshkian said on Monday that the implementation of a comprehensive long-term agreement with Russia would boost ties and expand cooperation between the two countries. Speaking during a meeting with Russian President Vladimir Putin here, Pezeshkian welcomed the opportunity for dialogue and described ongoing interactions with Moscow as “very valuable.” He added that co-operation within the Eurasian Economic Union framework would accelerate and facilitate a significant enhancement of bilateral relations, echoing similar remarks made by Putin.



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Police: Zionist Regime Behind Terrorist Attack in Iranshahr

TEHRAN -- Iran's Deputy Chief of Police Qasem Rezaei on Monday detailed a recent terrorist attack in Iranshahr, attributing its origin on the Israeli regime and foreign collaborators.

The attack targeted a religious and national ceremony where police were securing citizens. “Based on intelligence reports and investigations, the origin of this terrorist act is from the Zionist regime and foreign elements who acted as mercenaries, causing such damage to the region and province,” he said.

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Trump's Idiotic Bid to Break the Resistance Front

The Righteous Inherit the Earth

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“Certainly We wrote in the Psalms, after the Torah: ‘Indeed My righteous servants shall inherit the Earth.’” (Holy Qur'an 21:105)

The Torah of Prophet Moses, the Psalms of Prophet David, and the Evangel of Prophet Jesus (peace upon all of them), do not say the inheritors of the Earth will be any particular ethnic group or a cult that loves to enslave and slaughter those fellow humans whom it considers as a sub-human race.

In such a case it will be gross injustice for all mankind and an insult to the All-Merciful Creator Whose promise of salvation is only for the righteous and not the wrongdoers, the racists, the oppressors, the occupiers, the warmongers, the liars, and the genocidal regimes. God's promise is true, and the day will definitely come when the Planet will be rid of all oppressors, oppression, corruption and vices, with establishment of the global government of peace, prosperity and justice.

This will materialize through the reappearance of the Redeemer of mankind, along with Prophet Jesus (AS), to make the righteous and virtuous masters of the Earth, as foretold in all Heavenly Scriptures.

As a matter of fact, the Saviour of humanity is among us, although our physical eyes cannot perceive him. Blessed be the true believers who are eagerly waiting for his return.

As a matter of fact, today the 9th of Rabi al-Awwal marks the start of the divinely-designated mission of the 12th and Last Infallible Heir of the Almighty's Last and Greatest Messenger, Prophet Muhammad (SAWA).

He is the Prophet's namesake, and was a boy of only five years when he was orphaned the day before on the 8th of Rabi al-Awwal, 260 AH (874 AD), with the martyrdom through poisoning of his father, Imam Hasan Askari (AS).

The Divine mantle of imamate came to rest on his shoulders under circumstances when the self-styled caliph of the usurper Abbasid regime, after assassinating his father, was bent upon finding him and murdering him as well.

But by the Grace of Allah Who bestowed prophethood upon Jesus (AS) while still a boy in the cradle and saved him from the conspiracies of the Israelite, the 12th Imam went into occultation, and will reappear as “Qa'em al-Mahdi” in the end times to cleanse the Planet of all vestiges of oppression and corruption by establishing the global government of peace and justice.

This has been promised in the holy Qur'an, for instance in Ayah 5 of Surah Qassas, we read: **“And We desired to show favour to those who were abased in the land, and to make them Imams, and to make them the Heirs;”**

Whatever the arrogant and the ignorant do, with all their material and military power, they cannot belie the Words of God Almighty.

According to Imam Ali ibn Abi Taleb (AS), the Gateway of the City of Wisdom and Knowledge, the above-mentioned Ayah refers to the Imams of the Ahl al-Bayt or the Blessed Household of the Prophet of Islam, whose rights were usurped and the day will come when the 12th and Last Infallible Heir of the Seal of Messengers, will appear to establish the global government of peace, prosperity and justice.

Yesterday, we commemorated the martyrdom of Imam Hasan al-Askari (AS), the Prophet's 11th Infallible Heir, who was forced to leave the world in the prime of his youth, at the age of 28 years, through a fatal dose of poison administered on the orders of the arrogantly ignorant Mo'tamed, the self-styled caliph of the usurper Abbasid regime.

The head of the superpower of those days then launched a manhunt in vain for the son of his victim, on learning that the Prophet's 12th Heir, the Promised Mahdi, who would rid the world of corruption and oppression and whose birth he had tried to prevent, was already born.

The Abbasids, unable to find any trace of the 5-year old orphan and deeming him too weak to pose any danger to their rule, since his mother had predeceased his father and his uncle Ja'far was also against him, they continued their misrule of sins, corruption and oppression for a few more centuries, until another bloodthirsty tyrant, the Mongol Marauder Hulaku Khan, thrust the so-called caliph into several sacks and trampled him under the hooves of horses.

Imam Ja'far as-Sadeq (AS), the 6th Infallible Heir of the Prophet, over a century before the birth of Imam Mahdi (AS), has given the following tidings:

“When the Qa'em shall arise, he will rule with justice, the tyrants of his time shall fear him, the righteous will be safe, the earth shall reveal its treasures, all the truth-seekers will seek his company and no follower of any religion would remain except that they see Islam and declare their faith in it.”

He also said: **“The earth has not been devoid of a representative of God, since God created Adam; a representative that was either visible and well-known or invisible and concealed. (Likewise) The earth will not remain devoid of such a representative of God till the occurrence of the Hour (Doomsday), for if it were to remain without God's representative, then God would not be worshipped!”**

Now in our present times, the caliphate of the criminals has ended with the defeat of Daesh in both Iraq and Syria, let us cast a look at the concept of Imam Mahdi (AS) amongst our Sunni brethren. There are six major collections of hadith compiled by Sunni scholars. These are: “Sahih Bukhari”, “Sahih Muslim”, “Sahih Tirmidhi”, “Sunan Ibn Majah”, “Sunan Abu Dawud”, and “Sunan an-Nisa'i”. All these books are unanimous that Imam Mahdi (AS) will come in the last days to establish the global government.

These books clearly state that Imam Mahdi (AS) is a member of the Prophet's Immaculate Ahl al-Bayt; he is from the progeny of the Prophet's Daughter, Hazrat Fatema Zahra (SA); he is from the progeny of Imam Husain (AS); and Prophet Jesus will also reappear and pray behind him Imam Mahdi (AS).

Many other leading Sunni scholars have written books after books exclusively about Imam al-Mahdi (AS), whom the heretical Wahhabis are trying in vain to deny.

Ahmad Ibn Hanbal has quoted a hadith in his “Musnad” that reads: The Prophet said: **“Allah will bring out from concealment Mahdi from my Family and just before the Day of Judgment; even if only one day were to remain in the life of the world, and he will spread on this earth justice and equity and will eradicate tyranny and oppression.”**

This is also mentioned by another Sunni scholar, Ibn Hajar al-Haythami, who wrote: **“The Ahl al-Bayt are like the stars through whom we are guided in the right direction, and if the stars are taken away (or hidden) we would come face to face with the signs of the Almighty as promised (i.e., the Day of Resurrection). This will happen when the Mahdi will come, as mentioned in the hadith, and Prophet Jesus will say his prayers behind him, the Dajjal will be slain, and then the signs of the Almighty will appear one after another.”**

Let us pray to God Almighty to hasten the reappearance of the Imam of the Age, who will be accompanied by Prophet Jesus (AS). This will make most Christians become devout Muslims and turn against the satanic powers such as the US and the illegal Zionist entity – if these fast vanishing regimes do exist then. Amen.

Iran's Quiet Cultural Outreach Across Asia



Volleyballers Defeat Italy to Win U-21 World Championship



Int'l Genocide Scholars: Israeli Actions in Gaza Constitute Genocide



President Pezeshkian at SCO Summit:

U.S., Zionist Military Failures Expose Futility of Force



Television screens show President Pezeshkian addressing the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) Plus Summit in Tianjin.

TIANJIN, China (Dispatches) – Iranian President Masoud Pezeshkian on Monday sharply criticized recent U.S. and Israeli military aggressions, warning they have failed and will continue to meet resistance from the Iranian people, as he addressed the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) Plus Summit in Tianjin.

“The failed military aggression by the United States and the Zionist regime has shown that military options are ineffective and will face the heroic resistance of the Iranian people,” Pezeshkian said.

He also warned that reactivating sanctions through the so-called snapback mechanism by the Europeans would escalate tensions.

“Resorting to the so-called snapback mechanism will only complicate the situation further and increase tensions,” he said, adding, “We advise the United States and Europe to abandon confrontation-based solutions and turn to diplomacy to achieve a balanced and fair solution.”

Turning to Iran's experience under sanctions and military pressure, Pezeshkian said the Iranian

people have endured “the bitter experience of attempts to impose peace through power through various sanctions and military aggression over the past years, particularly in recent months.”

He maintained that Iran has acted within its legal rights and consistently sought dialogue.

“Over the past two decades, the Islamic Republic of Iran... has always made every effort to clarify existing ambiguities through dialogue and negotiation,” he said. “In June, we were subjected to aggression while the United

States was hypocritically sitting at the negotiating table with Iran,” he said, referring to the U.S. and Israeli aerial aggression on the Islamic Republic.

Pezeshkian said European nations are threatening to reinstate sanctions while failing to meet their own commitments.

“Now, we face threats from European countries... despite their lack of practical and effective adherence to their commitments, while the most extensive international oversight has been conducted on the nuclear activities of the Islamic Republic of Iran.”

He called on the SCO and other independent states to intervene diplomatically. “We expect the Shanghai Cooperation Organization and independent countries of the world to play their effective and responsible role against these injustices.”

The president reaffirmed Iran's readiness to resolve the nuclear issue peacefully. “The Islamic Republic of Iran has always been ready to find a diplomatic solution to peacefully resolve its peaceful nuclear program,” he said.

Reiterating his warning on military escalation, Pezeshkian said such efforts “will face the heroic resistance of the Iranian people” and that diplomacy remains the only viable path. “We advise the United States and Europe to abandon confrontation-based solutions.”

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Massive Yemeni Strikes Hit Israel Amid Funeral for Fallen Leaders

SANAA, Yemen (Dispatches) — In a powerful demonstration of resilience and defiance, Yemen's Armed Forces (YAF) escalated their military campaign against Israeli targets following the assassination of Prime Minister Ahmed Ghaleb al-Rahawi and 12 senior government ministers in an Israeli airstrike last week.

Yemen's naval forces on Monday launched a ballistic missile strike on the Israeli oil tanker SCARLET RAY in the northern Red Sea. The operation, confirmed by YAF spokesperson Brigadier General Yahya Saree, was a precise and successful attack intended to disrupt Israeli maritime activity and send a clear message of Yemen's unyielding stance.

“The operation resulted in a direct hit on the ship, thanks to Allah,” the YAF declared, emphasizing their commitment to halting Israeli navigation bound for occupied Palestinian ports.

The military action coincided with the funeral of Prime Minister

al-Rahawi and his fellow ministers in Sanaa's Al-Sabeen Square, where tens of thousands gathered to mourn and vow continued resistance.

The slain ministers represented a cross-section of Yemen's governance, including portfolios such as justice, foreign affairs, economy, and information — a brutal blow aimed at Yemen's political stability.

Yet, amid grief, Yemen's leaders and citizens united in a powerful expression of defiance.

Acting Prime Minister Muhammad Miftah declared, “We will never regret supporting Gaza,” underscoring the inseparable bond between Yemen's struggle and the Palestinian cause.

Miftah vowed that the assassination would not destabilize Yemen but would instead inspire stronger internal security measures and renewed efforts against Israeli aggression.

The assassination of Yemen's top officials was a severe escalation (Continued on Page 7)

Hundreds Killed in Afghanistan Quake, Iran Ready to Send Help

KABUL (Dispatches) — One of Afghanistan's deadliest earthquakes in recent years has killed more than 800 people and injured at least 2,800, officials said on Monday, as rescuers struggled to reach remote mountainous areas hindered by rough terrain and heavy rainfall.

The magnitude 6.0 quake struck near midnight local time in the eastern provinces of Kunar, Nangarhar, Nuristan, and Laghman, collapsing mudbrick homes and blocking roads.

The disaster threatens to stretch the already limited resources of Afghanistan's Taliban-led government, which is grappling with economic hardships, dwindling foreign aid, and the fallout of mass deportations from neighboring countries.

Sharafat Zaman, spokesperson for Afghanistan's health ministry, called for international assistance to help those affected. “We need it because many people have lost their lives and homes,” he told

Reuters.

The quake killed 812 people in Kunar and Nangarhar, according to Taliban spokesman Zabihullah Mujahid. Rescue teams and authorities are working to clear debris and transport the injured, but heavy rains have increased the risk of landslides, complicating relief efforts.

Kate Carey, an officer at the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (UNOCHA), told Reuters, “The risk of landslides and rockslides is quite significant due to recent heavy rains, making many roads impassable.”

Helicopters and ground teams are transporting casualties to hospitals, while local residents help carry the wounded on makeshift stretchers. The quake destroyed entire villages, with many survivors left homeless and in urgent need of medical care.

“This is Mazar Dara in Nurgal district. The entire village has been (Continued on Page 7)