



The regime's nuclear program

A free Iran of tomorrow will be a non-nuclear state, free of weapons of mass destruction, and an advocate of peace, coexistence, and international and regional cooperation.

In the early 2000s, the NCRI released documents which revealed the regime's 18-year clandestine nuclear weapons program. We took major steps forward while advocating for a "non-nuclear Iran." (1)

The Iranian Resistance revealed the clerical regime's largest clandestine nuclear sites in 2002. Since then, the NCRI has made hundreds of other revelations regarding the details of the regime's nuclear activities.

Sadly, in the wake of the 2015 nuclear agreement (JCPOA), in addition to granting major concessions to the Iranian regime, the West turned a blind eye to the regime's belligerence, and military and terrorist interventions in Syria and Yemen.

If the P5+1 [permanent members of the UN Security Council plus Germany] had remained firm, the Iranian regime would have had no option but to abandon its nuclear ambitions.

In 2015, the regime's proponents claimed that Iran would change and start opening up following the nuclear agreement and after the sanctions were lifted. On the contrary, the regime stepped up domestic repression and expanded its ballistic missile program and its warmongering in the Middle East. We have always maintained that the clerical regime will never moderate its behavior.

I would like to recall that since November 24, 2013, both before and after the nuclear agreement and during the negotiations, the Iranian Resistance has been consistently warning against the regime's circumvention of six UN Security Council resolutions. (2)

We particularly called for a complete halt to uranium enrichment, acceptance of the Additional Protocol, and unhindered access for IAEA inspectors to suspected IRGC sites and facilities.

In April 2015, before the nuclear agreement was signed, I declared at a French Senate meeting: “The experience of the Iranian Resistance is that the mullahs only understand the language of force and firmness.”

I also emphasized that “the time has come for world powers to abandon the appeasement of the murderous religious fascism ruling Iran, to stop giving concessions to the central banker of terrorism and the world’s top record-holder of executions, and to recognize the Iranian people’s right to resistance and freedom.”

Once again, on the day of the agreement on July 14, 2015, we said: “Any agreement that overlooks and fails to emphasize and underscore the human rights of the people of Iran will only embolden the regime to carry on with its ceaseless suppression and executions, trampling the rights of the people of Iran, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the UN Charter... because the people of Iran have been the primary victims of the regime’s ominous nuclear program.” (3)

Recall the devastating consequences of the policies which have aided the clerical regime to continue its crimes, while emboldening it and granting it immunity:

- The political and financial concessions unjustifiably granted to the regime with the 2015 nuclear agreement;
- The freezing of six UN Security Council resolutions, in favor of the mullahs;
- Opposing the extension of the arms embargo against the regime;

I must emphasize that any government that covets deceitful inducements from the clerical regime would be nourishing a viper in its midst.

It is a mistake to think that a reduction in international sanctions will result in the regime abandoning its belligerence. Ironically, it was in the context of the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA) that the Iranian regime’s terrorism spread across Europe. (4)

1- Excerpts from the speech to the three-day session of the National Council of Resistance of Iran on its 40th founding anniversary – July 23-26, 2020

2- Excerpts from Maryam Rajavi’s statement on the Iranian regime’s “forced” retreat in its nuclear bomb project during the Geneva talks

3- Excerpts from Maryam Rajavi's statement on the nuclear agreement signed by the P5+1 and the Iranian regime

4- Excerpts from the speech on the eve of the UN General Assembly – September 18, 2020