

English

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Sometimes they promote and emphasize a small right in order to invalidate a far greater one!!!

Great People of Iran,

In the midst of a situation in which Netanyahu and Trump have been relentlessly bombing the infrastructure of the great people of Iran, without even being ashamed of the killing of **167 elementary school girls**, just as they were not ashamed of shooting down a passenger plane carrying **290 passengers**, and while they openly state that “there is nothing left in Iran to bomb,” and dream of **occupying the country’s most important oil export hub**, and while **Alan Eyre**, the Persian-speaking deputy spokesperson of the U.S. State Department during the Obama administration, declares that Israel’s goal is “not partition, but the destruction of Iran,” we wish to bring the following points to your attention:

- 1) Is there still any doubt regarding the correctness of our position when we declared that the theory which portrayed “the aggression of Israel and the United States as a war between them and the Islamic Republic, and not a war against the Iranian nation and country” was **false and treacherous**?
- 2) Have we not heard the statements of the President of the United States, the U.S. Secretaries of State and Defense, Netanyahu, and Israeli officials, all of whom explicitly said that they “bear no responsibility for changing the regime of the Islamic Republic, and that this matter is up to the people of Iran”?
- 3) Do we assign no responsibility to that aging figure whose call for the street protests of **18 and 19 Dey** led to the massacre of **forty to fifty thousand** of our innocent compatriots? Although he shamelessly and naively denied his own public and explicit call! And given that for years the **Chaharshanbe Suri** ceremonies have had an entirely political meaning against the government and have become a symbol of joy, is calling for their celebration—while we are mourning tens of thousands of pure and innocent lives, and while at the same time appealing to those aggressors and invaders of dear Iran—not cooperation with the enemy in wartime and a clear example of treason against the nation?
- 4) Did those who sent a formal invitation for foreign aggression against Iran and “fled from the snake to the viper” know that the war of Israel and the United States against us is an **existential war**, targeting the very **existence of the Iranian nation and state**? And if they did not know, should they not apologize to the people of Iran for their **political naïveté**?
- 5) If Aung San Suu Kyi’s silence in the face of the persecution of the Muslim minority by the government of Myanmar provoked the اعتراض of many politicians and human rights activists and led to demands for the revocation of her Nobel Peace Prize, then does **Shirin Ebadi’s** insult—calling the culture-creating nation of Iran “irrational”—and her invitation to **Netanyahu**, who is under investigation by the International Criminal Court for **war crimes, genocide, and crimes against humanity**, and is also under judicial investigation in Israel for corruption, as well as to **Mr.**

Trump, who has been definitively convicted by the U.S. judiciary on more than **30 charges**, to attack Iran—especially considering their record of a **12-day aggression** against our country in Khordad—not provoke any response?

6) The struggle for the **overthrow** of the Republic of oppression, ignorance, and corruption ruling Iran and the establishment of a **secular-democratic regime based on the Universal Declaration of Human Rights** is an undeniable **right and duty** of the great people of Iran—not of known criminals. But preserving the **existence of Iran** is a **greater right and duty**, because there must first be an **Iran** in whose geography such a regime can later be established—or not. Our story is like that of the mother whose child was claimed by another woman: when the judge, due to equal evidence from both sides, said that the child should be cut in half and one half of the body given to each claimant, the true mother, in order to preserve her child, said: “The child belongs to the other woman.” Today, our priority is the preservation of Iran. Is not the **recognition of priorities** in struggle among the **responsibilities of the leaders of an uprising**? Was it not precisely this recognition of priority that, during the Second World War, temporarily brought capitalist America to the assistance of socialist Soviet Union against Nazi Germany?

7) By the same logic that the theory “the war of Israel and the United States is their war with the Islamic Republic, not a war with the Iranian people and Iran” is entirely false and treacherous, the binary that presents “opposition to holding **Chaharshanbe Suri** ceremonies—which have a political anti-government nature and symbolize joy—while our great nation is mourning a vast number of slaughtered compatriots and while the country and our people are under relentless bombardment, as somehow playing into the hands of the Republic of oppression, ignorance, and corruption” is also **false and treacherous**; and appealing to the foreign enemy in these circumstances would constitute a **double treason**.

Preserving Iran is more important and higher than all other priorities.

Proud be the people of Iran

Long live Iran

National Council of Iran’s Revolution

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