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Open Letter to the World Leaders

Your Excellencies,

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,

Currently a group of brutal theocrats rule my country, Iran, as you are well aware. Since the Islamic Republic established in 1979, the Iranian leaders have systematically obliterated dissent and executed thousands of opposition leaders and activists throughout Iran, including mass murders in prisons.* As you are aware, the foreign policy of the Tehran regime relies heavily on two factors: terror networks it has cultivated around the world, and a relentless pursuit of nuclear weapons to further spread terror and insecurity in the region.

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Iranian secular dissidents and opposition activists continue their struggle under difficult circumstances. But democratic governments and institutions have so far failed to support the Iranian opposition, despite their claims to the contrary. A great majority of Western secularist parties and democratic governments have involved themselves in backdoor negotiations with the Islamic Republic of Iran with an eye toward gaining lucrative deals and economic opportunities in lieu of taking concrete steps in demonstrating their sympathy for the long suffering Iranian people and their secularist representatives.

It is in such circumstances that suddenly the talk of resorting to military action against Iran's nuclear facilities has begun to resurface in the media by right-wing forces in Israel, Europe and America. It is clear that if such adventurous policy is carried through, it will only meet with the regime's calculated resistance. And what will be the result of such confrontation but NATO bombardment and annihilation of the entire civilian infrastructure, massive loss of life, and destruction of the last remnants of the Iranian civil society.

On behalf of a large number of secular and democratic activists in Iran & abroad, I warn that any military campaign against Iran will go down in history



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as a grave miscalculation if not a wrongheaded action in the worst of times, which will not only result in reaping the hatred of the Iranians for generations to come, but will give rise to more dangerous iterations of fundamentalism and terrorism which will further contribute to instability and spread of insecurity and mayhem in the region.

Make no mistake. An overwhelming majority of Iranian people and most secular and democratic forces within the opposition would like to see nothing short of the complete uprooting of the reactionary government in Iran. But it is unanimously believed that such a deed must occur in the hands Iranian people and the political forces that rely on people inside the country.

Advocates of military action against Iran have shown that they do not believe in the principles of democracy and human rights nor do they care for universal peace and security. We warn these circles to stop their backdoor negotiations with various factions of the regime, and end the military intervention rhetoric. Rest assured that the majority of Iranians will not be grateful for the annihilation of their country and the blind massacre of their citizenry, just as they do not appreciate the backdoor dealings with the officials of this regime.

Rest assured as well that the secular and democratic forces in Iran will reject any deals with the regime's officials. They will open independent fronts not just to continue their fight against the Islamic-Fascist Regime in Tehran, but also to resist just as fiercely the attackers and occupiers.

Yours respectfully,

Hassan Massali, PhD

*For more information about the crimes of the Iranian regime and its terrorist and repressive policies, visit the following links:

www.irantribunal.com

www.iranrights.org

www.iranomid.com

www.adhr.org