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Word of the Month:

War or peace

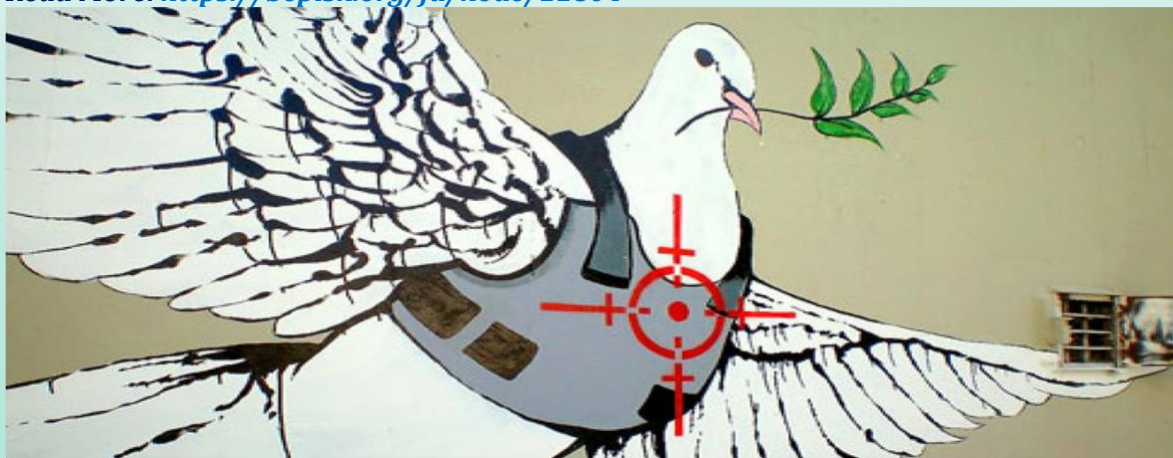
The question of whether there will be war or peace between Iran and the US has intensified since Donald Trump became president. This issue is critical not only for the Middle East but also for global stability. While the recent Gaza ceasefire has raised hopes for reduced tensions, the outcome of a potential Trump-Netanyahu meeting remains pivotal.

President Trump's presidency has been marked by numerous controversial moves, including international tariffs, threats against various nations, and bold ambitions, leaving many unresolved issues. Amid this, some hope Iran may not become a priority for conflict.

Iran's regional influence has declined following the ceasefire in Lebanon and the fall of the Assad regime in Syria. Western opinions differ on how to approach Iran: some argue its weakened state reduces the threat, while others see it as an opportunity to strike. Meanwhile, Iran faces domestic unpopularity and a severe economic crisis, forcing its leadership to decide how to address US pressures.

There are signs of secret negotiations between the two nations, hinting at a possibility of avoiding open conflict. The hope remains that peace will prevail.

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Let Us Unite to Stop and Overturn the Death Sentences of Pakhshan Azizi, Varisheh Moradi and Other Political Prisoners! Let Us Unite Against the Machine of Killing and Repression!

The Islamic Republic has tied its survival to the suppression and execution of opponents. Since coming to power, it has consistently relied on violence and killings to maintain control. In 2024 alone, with 901 recorded executions, it ranked first globally in executions per capita. Currently, 54



individuals face death sentences on political charges, including

Pakhshan Azizi, Varisheh Moradi, Babak Alipour, Pouya Ghobadi Bistuni, Abbas Weis, Abbas (Mojahed) Korkur, and Behrouz Ehsani.

By issuing death sentences, the Islamic

Republic demonstrates that it views repression and murder as essential to its existence. Those condemned to death, including Kurdish women Pakhshan Azizi and Varisheh Moradi, are victims of the regime's deeply flawed judicial system. This is a regime determined to sustain its disgraceful existence by oppressing women, ethnic minorities, and political dissidents. Yet it fails to recognize that these atrocities only fuel the people's determination to overthrow this corrupt and oppressive system. What was once a campaign of terror to instill fear in its opposition has now become an act of desperation, as the regime and its repressive forces themselves grow increasingly fearful of the people.

The Left Party of Iran condemns the executions of Pakhshan Azizi, Varisheh Moradi, and other political prisoners and calls on international organizations, human rights advocates, and all

people of conscience to speak out and act to save the lives of these compatriots and other prisoners sentenced to death. Silence is not an option; urgent action is needed to confront this injustice by any means possible.

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Fifth Anniversary of the Crime in Tehran's sky!



Five years ago, on January 8, 2020, the sky over Tehran turned red with tragedy. Acting on orders from regime authorities, the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) launched missiles that caused the horrific deaths of 176 innocent people aboard Flight PS752. This atrocity unveiled yet another chapter of the regime's long history of criminality, irresponsibility, secrecy, and deceit. Under orders from the regime's leadership, the plane was

deliberately targeted, marking not just a tragic incident but a crime that fueled nationwide anger and outrage against such brutality.

This was not an isolated event—it was a reflection of the corrupt, authoritarian, and despotic nature of a regime that devalues human life, shirks responsibility, and lies to the world.

The Left Party of Iran stands with those who, in

their grief and suffering, demand justice and accountability for these crimes. We stand with all who are no longer willing to accept the regime's empty promises, outdated excuses, and blatant falsehoods. Today, the younger generation and the people of Iran are raising their voices, demanding truth, freedom, and justice. We are confident that their calls will not be silenced.

We reiterate that those responsible for this

tragedy must be held accountable in a transparent, public, and fair trial. The Iranian people, along with human rights organizations and political groups committed to justice, will not allow the perpetrators of this corrupt and oppressive system to evade justice through silence or obscurity.

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Hamgami's Statement on the Israel-Lebanon Ceasefire



Hamgami welcomes the 60-day ceasefire between Israel and Lebanon, mediated by the US and

France, as a positive step toward reducing tensions in the Middle East. If sustained and expanded into lasting peace, the agreement could stabilize the region, support Lebanon's growth, and reduce the risk of conflict between Israel and Iran. The organization, as part of the democratic opposition, advocates for long-term peace in the Middle East through Iran's transition to a secular democratic government, Hezbollah's disarmament, curbing extremism in Israel, adherence to UN resolutions, and diplomatic solutions.

Hamgami also urges an immediate ceasefire in Gaza, an end to violence, and a fair trial for war crimes in accordance with the International Criminal Court's ruling. The group views the ceasefire as a

crucial step toward regional stability and the return of displaced people.
28 November 2024

On behalf of the International Relations Work Group of "Hamgami" Coalition for a Secular Democratic Republic in Iran

Hamgami Statement on the 3 Islands of Iran



The joint resolution of the European Union and the Persian Gulf Cooperation Council has repeated the baseless claim about the ownership of Abu Musa, Small Tunb and Big Tunb islands by encroaching upon Iran's territorial integrity.

The belonging of these three islands to Iran is too clear to make it a subject of discussion. Other regions in the south of the Persian Gulf in the past were considered part of Iran's territory, which was separated by the colonial intervention of Western countries and as a result of the weakness of the established governments

in Iran. Iran has given up its claim on Bahrain in exchange for the return of these three islands.

True, the antagonistic foreign policy of the Islamic Republic, especially its military cooperation with Russia has played a role in increasing tension with Europe and causing the EU to take this unprecedented position, which is evident in its use of the type of rhetoric in the resolution, it must however not be forgotten that the opportunistic approach of the world powers in ignoring the rights and interests of other countries, has time and again inflicted damage to the national security and geopolitical interests of Iran. The Hamgami Coalition for a Secular Democratic Republic in Iran condemns this action of the European Union in the strongest terms.



Environment in Iran

Air pollution and inadequate waste disposal in Iran generate 40,000 tons of waste and cause 448 trillion Rials in environmental damage each year.

Travellers entering Tehran from southern cities often roll up their car windows while driving on the Persian Gulf Highway, as the unpleasant odour is particularly strong near Imam Khomeini International Airport.

According to the 2024 Environmental

Performance Index

report, Iran ranked 121st in the "Controlled Waste Management" indicator. During a specialized session at the 14th International Renewables

Exhibition focusing on Biomass, experts highlighted that half of the country's waste landfills are unsanitary.

Majid Ghasemi, an expert in the Environment Faction of the Islamic Consultative Assembly, reported that approximately 40,000 deaths occur annually due to air pollution, with a significant portion linked to improper waste management.

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