

Iran's Deadly Nuclear Program

Iran has been developing a weapons-based nuclear program for decades. Although Iran claims it is a peaceful program, the facts show that Iran is bent on developing the world's deadliest weapon.

- Iran has developed several nuclear plants in heavily fortified areas and has denied their existence until found by Western powers. **Why is Iran trying to hide these facilities?**
- Iran is **developing intercontinental ballistic missiles (ICBMs) capable of reaching the United States.**ⁱ
- While claiming to negotiate with Western powers, Iran continues to advance its nuclear program by enriching uranium past peaceful levels and by continuing construction of ICBMs.
 - **Independent uranium enrichment is not needed for a peaceful nuclear program** (Canada, Indonesia, and 15 other countries have peaceful nuclear programs without uranium enrichment).
 - Why is Iran spending so much money to enrich uranium and hide the fact that it is doing so, when it doesn't need to if its program is for peaceful purposes?
- Iran continues to build a plutonium reactor in Arak, though **peaceful nuclear programs do not require a plutonium reactor.**
- Iran denies inspector access to Parchin, a facility long **suspected of weaponizing nuclear energy.**ⁱⁱ
 - What is Iran trying to hide?
- Iran began orchestrating an agreement with Russia for eight Ruso-sponsored nuclear reactors in 2014.ⁱⁱⁱ
- Iran has developed an advanced nuclear weapons program **despite being a member of the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty (NPT) since 1970.**
 - This makes **Iran's nuclear program illegal** under international law.

Why is Iran's nuclear program a problem?

- **Iranian leaders continuously call for the destruction of the United States, Israel, and the rest of the West. If they obtain a nuclear weapon, they will have the power necessary to destroy Israel and kill millions of Americans.**
- The Iranian parliament **chanted "Death to America!"** at a meeting in November of 2013.^{iv}

- Iran's Supreme Leader Ayatollah Khamenei explained in an interview that Iranians should chant "Death to America" to **remind themselves that America is "Satan" and that it should be destroyed.**^v
 - Khamenei has also called Israel "the sinister, unclear, rabid dog of the region."
- Before current Iranian President Hassan Rouhani preached peace in front of the United Nations, he participated in a military parade where **numerous signs called for the obliteration of Israel.**^{vi}
- Iran creates propaganda espousing its military might and its ability to bring destruction to Israel; **Iran also promised a second Holocaust.**^{vii}
- Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, the previous president of Iran, stated, "Anybody who recognizes Israel will burn in the fire of the Islamic nation's fury."

FOR THE SAFETY OF THE UNITED STATES AND ISRAEL, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR REPRESENTATIVES AND ASK THEM TO DO EVERYTHING THEY CAN TO PREVENT IRAN FROM OBTAINING A NUCLEAR WEAPON. REMIND THEM THAT IT IS OFFICIAL U.S. POLICY TO PREVENT THIS GENOCIDAL REGIME FROM OBTAINING A NUCLEAR WEAPON.

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ⁱⁱⁱ *Reuters*, Russia May Build Eight Nuclear Reactors for Iran, May 22, 2014

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^{vi} *The Algemeiner*, Rouhani Participates in Military Parade Where Sign Calls for Israel's Destruction, September 25, 2013

^{vii} *Haaretz*, Iranian animated film depicts nuclear 'holocaust' against Israel, February 18, 2014