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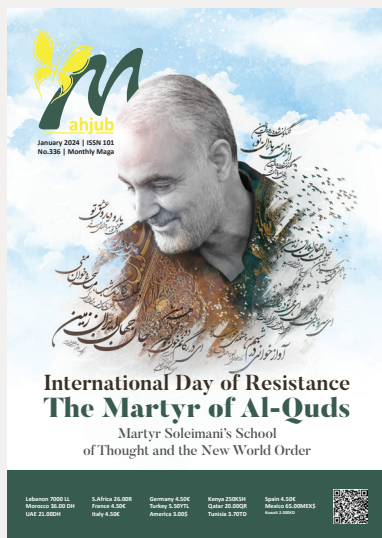
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Editorial

«مَا الْمَسِيحُ ابْنُ مَرْيَمَ إِلَّا رَسُولٌ قَدْ خَلَتْ مِنْ قَبْلِهِ الرُّسُلُ وَأُمُّهُ صِدِّيقَةٌ»

The Messiah (Jesus Christ), son of Mary, was but a prophet. Certainly, (other) prophets have passed before him, and his mother was a truthful one. (Holy Qur'an, Surah Al-Ma'idah, Verse 75)

I would like to, on the occasion of Christmas, the birthdate of Jesus Christ (peace be upon him), point out the difference between divinity and humanism as one of the most fundamental issues where the Western World has gone astray.

By abandoning the dispositional and divine values and the moral teachings of Christ, the statesmen of Western Christian countries have caused the most serious damage to their people and the world, and by giving importance to and encouraging carnal desires and pleasures and humanistic benefits, have, through the capitalist and imperialist systems, made many people of the world suffer. The result of this approach has been two world wars, dozens of regional wars, blind support to 75 years of crime by the child-killing regime of Israel, and the pumping of corruption and debauchery in the media and Western lifestyle.

It seems as if those statesmen did not and do not care about God, resurrection, and divine worldview and arrogantly present themselves as the best role model for humanity.

Even though the Western rulers have, in the management of science, caused tremendous progress in Western industry, in the macro level management, they have distanced the Western world from international humanity and have not made any contribution to the progress of the Western World when it comes to human disposition.

The approval and support given by some Western for the assassination of General Soleimani is one of the biggest examples of the Western World being perplexed about the difference between divinity and humanism and one of the outcomes of the immoral behavior of Western rulers that martyrs the world champion of human awakening in order to preserve ungodly imperialist interests.

While we are approaching the Christian New Year, I would like to quote the late Imam Khomeini's advice when he told the Western rulers: "At least adhere to the moral teachings of Jesus Christ in governing."

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The New World Order from the Viewpoint of Martyr Soleimani's School of Thought



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In the Name of Allah, the All-beneficent, the All-merciful

At 1:20 a.m. on January 3, 2020, two Nafs al-Zakiyya (literally, pure souls) were assassinated by the order of the most wretched of people of the world and the souls of these two martyrs ascended from the Baghdad airport to the heavens. Lieutenant General Qasem Soleimani and Abu Mahdi Al-Muhandis were killed by the order of Donald Trump and were martyred so that the day of their martyrdom be named as "International Day of Resistance".

The victory of Martyr Soleimani marked his conquest of the hearts of free people. He was the architect of the global resistance front in the East and West of the world and his role in speeding up a different concept of the "New World Order" made him an eternal legend. The martyrdom of this hero whose funeral was attended by millions of people made "Martyr Soleimani's School of Thought" global.

Some of the elements of the New World Order in General Soleimani's School of Thought include:

1. Creating the hope and the prospect of trans-national, trans-religious, and trans-regional victory in the global front of resistance

2. The defeat of the hegemony of arrogant and colonialist powers with the realization of repeated victories against them

3. The failure of Sykes-Picot's one-hundred-year plan to divide the Islamic countries of West Asia, including Afghanistan, Iraq, and Syria

4. Overcoming Islamophobia by defeating ISIS and preventing the introduction of distorted Takfiri Islam

5. Organizing and establishing solidarity in the global network of resistance

6. Institutionalization of resistance movements in the official structure of countries

7. Creating courage in emerging powers to draw a new world order

8. Globalization of the Husaini (Imam Husain's) movement by creating the magnificent Arbaceen Walk, in which millions of people from different nations participate

9. Strengthening the unity of the Islamic Ummah by providing equal support to the oppressed Yazidi, Christian, Sunni, Shia, Alavi, Arab, and Kurd people against the brutality of the American and Israeli ISIS

Martyr Soleimani, first of all, purified his

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on January 3, 2020

soul in the service of God Almighty, and in the next step, he continued his honest social course under the command of the Vali-e Faqih of the time, such that he attained such a stage of personal growth that made him a role model for the free youth of the world and would win their hearts.

While having a gentle and divine personality, which was manifested in his absolute devotion and submission to God Almighty and the school of thought of Ahl al-Bayt (AS), he had an extremely strong personality in supporting the oppressed and in the fields of battle and culture, because he firmly believed in this verse of the Qur'an, which says: "وَلَيَنْصُرَنَّ اللَّهُ مَن يَنْصُرُهُ" (Allah will surely help those who help Him.)

Today, the followers of Martyr Soleimani's school of thought in Gaza are enduring the cruel bombardments - equivalent to three atomic bombs - by the fake Israeli regime, so that the goal of restoring the state of Palestine through "every Palestinian one vote" and the cause of from "sea to river" becomes a global demand.

It is recommended to all the free people of the world to study the different aspects of the life of the martyred hero, "Lieutenant General Qasem Soleimani", and his school of thought as a role model.

May his great soul be at peace and may his path be filled with followers.



Martyr Soleimani and the New Trend of Regional and Global Order

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The efforts of Martyr General Soleimani in leading the resistance forces against the United States and its allies at two regional and global levels have undoubtedly marked a turning point in the history of international relations in West Asia.

It is not easy to write about the personality and services of General Qasem Soleimani. His outstanding personality, his unique mastery of military strategies, and his precise perception of regional developments had made him a figure that the Supreme Leader of the Islamic Revolution referred to him as a “Living Martyr” during his lifetime. After eight years of Saddam Hussain’s imposed war on Iran in which General Soleimani was the commander of the IRGC forces of the Kerman Province, he was appointed as the commander of the 41st Tharallah Division of Kerman. In 1997, following the changes caused by the American intervention in Afghanistan, he was chosen as the commander of the Quds Force of the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps. This choice was, on the one hand, due to his mastery over the principles of classical and partisan or asymmetric warfare and, on the other hand, due to his familiarity with the war in mountainous areas and his knowledge about the culture of the residents of the eastern provinces of the country.

From 1997 to January 2020 - when he was martyred along with his friend and comrade, Abu Mahdi Al-Muhandis, at the Baghdad airport following an American drone attack - due to his unique and special leadership, the developments in the West Asian region formed the basis of a movement that we know today as the Axis of Resistance. From the point of view of international relations, the promotion of Martyr Soleimani’s position as the commander of the Quds Force provided the basis for the expansion of Iran’s regional influence during the 22 years of his command over this institution. One of the main reasons for this importance, or in better words, the success of this martyred general in advancing the planned military strategies, was his personality traits, some of which are briefly mentioned hereunder.

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Martyr Soleimani's personality had a prominent role in his relationship with the forces under his command, which was, on the one hand, the result of his ability to attract the forces under his leadership and, on the other hand, was the result of the mutual understanding between him and the forces under his command. The reflection of these two characteristics can be clearly seen in the documents left about his presence in the operations room of the battlefields with Takfiri groups or his friendly relationship with numerous subordinate forces of any type; Arabs, non-Arabs, or even Shiite and non-Shiite forces. It was due to these personality traits of Martyr Soleimani that a former C.I.A. officer (John Maguire) confessed that General Soleimani is "The most powerful operative in the Middle East today".

■ Regional Order of West Asia

The trend of developments in the region during the last two decades is indicative of a set of strategies for eliminating or curbing Iran's regional influence. In the early 21st century the rival regional faction led by the United States, by masterminding three wars in the West Asian region, including the wars in Afghanistan (2001), Iraq (2003), and the Hezbollah-Zionist regime (2006) sought to change the geopolitical face of the region and eliminate opposing voices. However, America's incomplete awareness of the power equations in the region, its strategic mistakes, and the activities of the Quds Force under the leadership of General Soleimani distorted all the plans of the enemies.

If we were to take into consideration the influence of Iran in the region in the last two decades, as a continuous process, in order to improve the position of this country in the region, this important thing took place in two stages. In other words, in the first decade, the foundations of the Axis of Resistance and the American peace plan were laid, and in the second decade, the expansion of Iran's influence resulted in strengthening the Axis of Resistance, in both of which the role of Martyr Soleimani has been quite evident. In the first decade, the foundations of the power bloc of resistance were established, which resulted in the defeat of the Zionist regime in the 33-day war with Lebanon, marking the first defeat

in the history of this regime. In other words, what could not be achieved by Gamal Abdel Nasser was realized by an unassuming and anonymous Iranian General. This important achievement not only laid the foundation for the entry of the phrase "Axis of Resistance" in the political literature of the region but also changed the view of most Arab people of West Asia about the cross-border soft power of the Islamic Republic of Iran. The proof of this claim is that after the 33-day Sayyid Hasan Nasrallah, the leader of Lebanon's Hezbollah, came to be known as the "Lion of the Arab World" by citizens of Arab states (survey by the Pew Institute).



The second stage marked the promotion of Iran's regional position and the strengthening of the Axis of Resistance as a result of the strategies and actions adopted by Martyr Soleimani following a set of unrest in some Arab states. Following these developments, while confronting the conspiracies of its rivals in the form of creating the Salafi movements and Takfiri groups - within the framework of the self-proclaimed Islamic caliphate - to curb Iran's regional influence, this country prepared the ground for access to the borders of its immediate enemy, i.e. the Zionist regime. In other words, the unrest in some neighboring Arab countries, not only provided the conditions for strengthening Iran's soft power in dealing with terrorist groups but also laid the ground for further expansion of Iran's influence and, as a result, strengthening the Axis of Resistance. Perhaps this important achievement was not possible in the absence of the strategies adopted by General Qasem Soleimani.



■ International Effects of Certain Developments in West Asia

The Syrian civil war, caused by some regional actors and the expansionist intentions of some international actors, to repeat the scenario of Gaddafi's Libya for Assad's Syria, laid the ground for turning a regional crisis into an international one. In this context, General Soleimani's meeting with Russian President, Vladimir Putin, and his role in persuading Russia to enter the Syrian civil war should be considered an effective measure in changing the international order.

Perhaps Russia's entry into conflicts in the West Asian region can be considered the most prominent sign of the revival of the bipolar order in the post-Cold War period. After the collapse of the Soviet Union, Russia went from being a world superpower to a mere regional power for more than two decades as a result of which the Western world decided to take control of West Asia. However, General Soleimani's move in bringing the international conditions of that period to the notice of Putin prompted the Russians to once again appear as an international actor after 25 years, and the support provided by the Russian Air Force to the Syrian military forces was the first step in the re-entry of Russia into the international system.

The role of General Qasem Soleimani in strengthening West Asia and forcing the United States and its allies to withdraw from this region in one form or another is something that the world has realized; making Martyr Soleimani an immortal figure in the history of West Asian Region.



General Soleimani: An Inspiration for All Those Who Opposed AMERICAN HEGEMONY

Martyr Qasem Soleimani's appeal is not limited to Iran and the Islamic world. Many world thinkers and freedom seekers acknowledge and praise various dimensions of his personality. In an interview with the American Studies Center, Dr. Jianwei Han, an Associate Professor of the Middle East Studies Institute, Shanghai International Studies University (SISU) expressed that General Soleimani was and is a source of inspiration beyond the borders of Iran.

What is your opinion about General Soleimani?

I personally have a lot of respect for General Soleimani and I think he was a military genius. He showed extraordinary organizational and leadership skills not only in the Iran-Iraq war but also in the struggle against the United States of America. General Soleimani had a wide influence in many countries of the Middle East. He had a great personality and was highly respected among the people of Iran and even outside of his country.

As you know, he had traveled to Iraq as an official envoy of the Iranian government, and on invitation of the Prime Minister of Iraq. What do you think about the assassination of a high-ranking official in a third country by America? Isn't this hypocrisy and double standards on the part of the Western World?

This incident was a terrorist act, proving the United States' hegemony. The United States often uses the issue of human rights as an excuse to protect its own interests against other governments, but this is not, in essence, a genuine consideration for the people of other countries, which, in reality, is a cognitive warfare against the citizens of target countries. The goal is to create division and conflict between the government and the people in order to overthrow the ruling system of the target country that opposes its policies without getting directly involved. This double standard is quite common in the approaches adopted by the United States and the Western world.

What, in your opinion, would be the situation in European countries in the absence of the anti-terrorist measures of Martyr Soleimani?

If General Soleimani and his comrades did not fight terrorism, Western countries would succeed in accusing Iran of being the biggest supporter and even sponsor of terrorism and terrorist groups in the world. However, after the suppression of terrorist groups by Martyr Soleimani, they preferred to remain silent and even accused Iran of using the fight against terrorism to gain regional influence.

In your opinion, as an analyst of international issues, should a person like General Soleimani be regarded just as a member of the axis



of resistance, or is he to be considered an international figure who sacrificed his life for security and peace in the world?

I must admit, although Sardar Soleimani is a very popular and respected person in Iran, his popularity and influence are not limited to Iran, and rather he has been quite popular throughout the Middle East. His struggles against terrorist groups have contributed to the global fight against terrorism, which should not be forgotten. Moreover, General Soleimani played the role of an inspirational role for all countries, which are the target of American bullying and oppression, to fight against American hegemony.

General Soleimani was undoubtedly one of the most well-known military commanders in the world, what do you think made him so famous?

In my opinion, Martyr Soleimani's fame has several reasons. First, he had extraordinary skills as a military commander. Second, he was one of the central figures in the fight against America in Iran. Third, he did not praise power and had high morals, especially because in spite of having a high position and power, he did not seek personal benefits.

In your opinion, what would be the regional and global effects of his martyrdom?

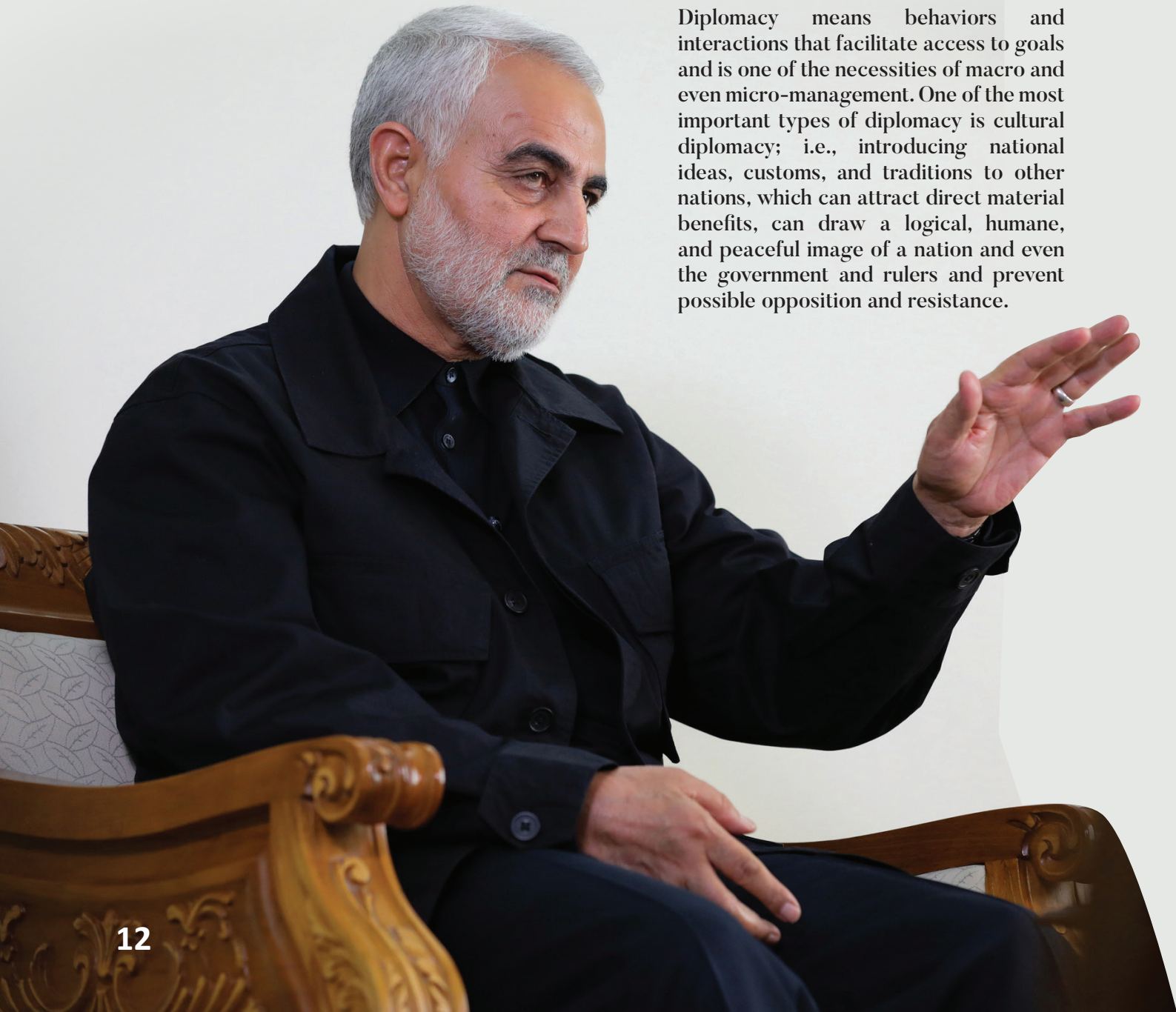
Undoubtedly, he was the hero who stood up against America in the world. His assassination revealed the truth about America's hypocritical imperialism. His sacrifices also provoked public anger in the region and the world against America's hegemonic attitude. Indeed, his sacrifice has been a source of inspiration to all who oppose the US hegemony.

Role of Cultural **Diplomacy** in Martyr Soleimani's School of Thought

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In order to actualize its objectives, which include both corrective and preventive objectives, every government adopts certain policies and strategies.

Diplomacy means behaviors and interactions that facilitate access to goals and is one of the necessities of macro and even micro-management. One of the most important types of diplomacy is cultural diplomacy; i.e., introducing national ideas, customs, and traditions to other nations, which can attract direct material benefits, can draw a logical, humane, and peaceful image of a nation and even the government and rulers and prevent possible opposition and resistance.



■ Martyr Soleimani and the Art of Cultural Diplomacy

At the time of taking over the leadership of IRGC's Quds Force, Martyr Soleimani knew very well that if he wanted to be successful in the military field, he must first be a leader in cultural diplomacy.

One of the proofs of this claim is the speeches given by this Martyr in the last decade of his life inside and outside the country. A significant deal of the actions of the cultural department of the Quds Force, either directly and in the form of directing and supporting the cultural actions of the international institutions of the Islamic Republic, or in providing a platform for the presence and activity of the personalities and popular cultural groups speaks of this Iranian General's intelligence in the field of cultural diplomacy.

An example of cultural diplomacy of this popular General was his earnest effort to acquaint the commanders and fighters of the resistance front with Nahj al-Balagha, the honor of teaching which was given to me and my colleagues in the global movement of Nahj al-Balagha.

Despite the emphasis on the security and military aspects of the Quds Force, General Soleimani not only did not consider neglecting cultural diplomacy acceptable but also increased the quantity and quality of the activities of the Quds Force in the field of cultural diplomacy. This policy was based on a correct understanding and analysis of the enemy; the enemy that, by having media giants and extensive lobbies in international organizations, can easily change the place of the oppressed and the oppressor. As a matter of fact, Lieutenant General Soleimani achieved three very strategic goals in the light of this approach:

First: Conquering the hearts of honest and conscientious people of the region and the world for himself and his school of thought;

Second: Preventing the destruction of the image of the Islamic Republic and the resistance front in the minds of the people and even the rulers of regions caught in war and insecurity, a clear example of which should be sought in Bashar al-Assad's high level of alignment with the policies of the Supreme Leader and the Islamic Republic of Iran; and

Third: Exposing the anti-ethical and anti-human essence of the domineering states and autocratic rulers of the region and the world.

Unity, Opposing Domination, and Support for the Oppressed; the Outstanding Aspects of General Soleimani's Diplomacy

Cultural diplomacy comprises four areas and each of these areas can include several axes. It must be said that if a comprehensive and detailed study is done on General Soleimani's biography, it will be proven that this outstanding personality of contemporary history had ideas, creativity, and even successful action and experience in these all areas. It can also confidently be claimed that the three elements of unity, opposing domination, and defending the oppressed were the three fundamental aspects of the cultural diplomacy of Martyr Soleimani.

His extensive interaction with the scholars of different Islamic schools of thought and attracting the hearts of young people from various Islamic countries to the Axis of Resistance was evidence of giving priority to unity by the commander of the resistance front. The next important issue in General Soleimani's school of thought was the diplomacy of strengthening and expanding anti-imperialist thinking, spirit, and behavior among the nations of the region, exposing the true essence of the Zionists and the American government to the nations of the world and revealing their crimes. Defending the oppressed nations of the region was also a clear manifestation of the cultural diplomacy of Martyr Soleimani and the Quds Force.

■ It should be noted that there were three reasons for the popularity of Martyr Soleimani:

i) The policies and actions adopted by the Quds Force and the Resistance Front, which were manifested in the 33-day war between Lebanon and the Zionist regime and the 22-day war between Palestine and Israel. Interestingly, many people in the region and even in Iran did not know who Soleimani was and what role he played in these great victories.

ii) His intelligence and bravery that was displayed in the course of diplomatic warfare among the P5+1 countries over the nuclear activities of Iran when - in response to the increasing threats on the part of Obama, Netanyahu, and their regional allies - Haj Qasem traveled from city to city and assured the people of Iran that no bully has the power to attack their country.

iii) His martyrdom and the condolence message of the Supreme Leader of the Islamic Iran followed by a funeral in which forty million people in different cities of Iran had participated.

The emergence of the Islamic Revolution of Iran took place when - considering the dominance of Western and Eastern powers in different social spheres in different regions of the world - no thinker imagined that a revolution would start in the name of God, become victorious, and take over the management of society. The reason for this lack of insight was that most Western thinkers have downgraded religion to the level of individual affairs and believed in secularism, while some others considered religion to be the opium of nations. However, the emergence of the Islamic Revolution in Iran disproved all the hypotheses of Western thinkers regarding religion and religiosity and marked a new chapter in human history.

If the Western thinkers of the modern era, consider their lineage to reach monkeys and emphasize instrumental rationality in the field of thought, the thinkers of the Islamic Revolution looked for their lineage in the chain of divine prophets and introduced

Why Is Martyr Soleimani So Popular in The Public Opinion of Iranians

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a new human being to human history who had wisdom in his head and love in his heart. This is a new human being that the Islamic Revolution of Iran has introduced to human society; a person who, while being religious and understanding the divine word, can also think about the progress and reform of human society and take practical actions in this regard.

Shortly after the victory of the Islamic Revolution the false claimants of democracy and free-thinking who were unable to tolerate the emergence of this divine revolution began their conspiracies to defeat it and imposed a war on the Islamic Republic in which all the enemies of humanity had joined hands. America's wickedness in this regard was so great that Imam Khomeini (RA) used the term "Great Satan" to describe the behavior of the US government.

However, many prominent figures who were the true followers of the school of thought of Imam Khomeini, one of the most prominent of whom was Martyr Qasem Soleimani, appeared in the scene and managed to bring the American political system to a dead end with their love for Islam and by making maximum use of their capabilities.



worldly belongingness to reach the presence of their God and to become immortal. Martyr Haj Qasem Soleimani is one of the examples of the great men in the history of Iran who did not belong to anything other than God Almighty such that at the time of martyrdom, he ignored his official and administrative titles and asked that it should be written on his tombstone "The Soldier of Vilayat" and nothing else. This is the first reason that made him beloved in the hearts of the people of Iran.

■ Withstanding the Enemy

Another reason that can be mentioned for his popularity was withstanding the enemies of Islam. In the political geography of the world, no one dares to humiliate the American president. Qasem Soleimani is among those who humiliated the American president and referred to his literature as the language of casino and cabaret. He called him "Trump the gambler" and addressed him in these words: "I stand alone in front of you because, as a nation, we have gone through many difficult situations. You start the war, but we finish it. Go ask your predecessors. So do not threaten us, we are ready to stand up to you."

■ Having Divine Color

From Qasem Soleimani's point of view, no human being is without movement and the main source of all movement is the type of relationships that one maintains. These relationships either have a normal and negative origin or a spiritual and positive origin and the higher the source of the movement, the more is its power to direct the humans towards it with restlessness. In other words, once the being of a person is filled with the essence of belongingness to God, it will be discarded from other forms of belongingness and, definitely, the martyrs' belongingness to God Almighty had been at the highest divine level and for this reason, they had sacrificed other forms of

■ Simple Living and Standing by People

The third reason that can be mentioned for his popularity is that in spite of having a high-ranking position, which could change his way of life, Martyr Soleimani chose to live a simple life, remain faithful to the cause and ideals of the Islamic Revolution, and cater to the needs of the people of his country during his free times.

In a nutshell, it can be said that there have been very few people in the history of mankind who have had all the above-mentioned qualities in them. May his soul rest in peace.

THE LEGACY OF SOLEIMANI

Tim Anderson

The enemy thought that the murder of Soleimani would help further divide and weaken the independent peoples of the region. Yet while they caused brief and pain, the killing generated unprecedented resolve and coherence amongst resistance forces. The legend of Soleimani is now a force driving liberation of the region from Washington's 'New Middle East' schemes.

The enemy of the free and independent peoples of the world imagined that the treacherous murder of Qassem Soleimani would revive their failing plans to dominate the Middle East region. By that murder the enemy hoped to decapitate the regional resistance, further divide the peoples and present a trophy to the would-be emperor of the world.

They certainly caused pain and grief; they are well experienced at that. But the aim of derailing and dividing the resistance failed badly. Instead of despair and confusion they ensured a reaction which has been bringing together diverse elements of resistance and which threatens to drive the enemy from the region. The Soleimani legend remains central to this.



What the enemy wanted

The enemy might have imagined that by removing Soleimani, the unique regional commander, the regional coalition would despair and lose direction. But Soleimani was not just a commander, he was a trainer. Even at the start of Saddam's US-backed war against Iran he was a trainer. His 40- year training legacy was the creation of many commanders, across the region.

The great fear of Washington and its regional office in Tel Aviv was that the resistance would rally together, after the defeat of the NATO-backed sectarian gangs in Syria and Iraq. Their nightmare is to see a battle-hardened coalition of Hezbollah, the Syrian Arab Army, Iraqi PMUs and Iran's Quds Force appears at the border of Occupied Palestine, ready to liberate the Syrian Golan and apply pressure for the liberation of Palestine from the Zionist apartheid regime.

This is why Washington - after the invasions of Afghanistan, Iraq and Lebanon - seized the opportunity in 2011 to back Muslim Brotherhood and Wahhabi terrorism in Libya and Syria, culminating in the destruction of the Libyan state and the declaration by DAESH of an 'Islamic State' in eastern Syria. A weak and divided Syria would remove an independent state from the picture and also help protect the Zionist colony.

We know from the leaked US intel memo of August 2012 that the US foresaw and welcomed the DAESH 'caliphate', saying that the "possibility of establishing a declared or undeclared Salafist principality ... [was] exactly what the supporting powers to the opposition want, in order to isolate the Syrian regime, which is considered the strategic depth of the Shia expansion (Iraq and Iran)". That is, the DAESH 'caliphate' would weaken and divide Syria, just as its predecessor al Qaeda in Iraq (ISI) was designed to weaken Baghdad and create divisions with Tehran.

Despite their deceptive 'anti-terrorist' rhetoric, in late 2014 the head of the US military General Martin Dempsey and US Vice President Joe Biden separately admitted that their key allies, notably Turkey, the Saudis, Qatar and the UAE, were funding and arming all the sectarian terrorist groups in Syria, so as to overthrow the Syrian Government. The *raison d'être* of all these groups was 'divide and rule'.

In face of this proxy war, Iran's resistance hero Qassem Soleimani facilitated the September 2015 entry of Russia into a more direct defence of Syria, as he led the ground wars against Jabhat al Nusra and DAESH in both Syria and Iraq. This unification of resistance forces was a central and necessary condition for survival of the independent peoples of the region.

Soleimani had played a key role in the defense of Gaza, from murderous Zionist attacks, and in the defense of Lebanon, especially during the 2006 Zionist invasion. The Hamas representative in Lebanon, Ahmad Abdu Hadi, revealed that Hezbollah commander Imad Mughniyeh and Iran's Qassem Soleimani visited Gaza repeatedly, leading plans to construct literally hundreds of kilometers of tunnels, as a defense against Zionist siege and repeated bombing.

In an important interview in 2019, Soleimani spoke of his role during the 2006 invasion of Lebanon. Tel Aviv was encouraged in its aggression by the fact that "over sixty percent of the US Army ... were deployed to our region ... in Iraq alone there were more than 150,000 troops, and over 30,000 US military were present in Afghanistan." The Zionists tried to take advantage of this apparently favorable situation.

However, Hezbollah, with the overwhelming support of the people of south Lebanon, managed to stop the invasion in its tracks, within 33 days. Despite advanced Tel Aviv's weaponry and the complicity of many Arab regimes, the Israelis were demoralized by mounting casualties and retreated. Soleimani provided the logistical and

moral support of Iran in Lebanon, at that time.

After that the resistance commander assumed a leading role in counter-terrorist operations across Syria (from the Qalamoun mountains to Aleppo to Deir Ezzor) and in Iraq, leading up to his November 2017 announcement of victory over DAESH. Ever humble, the Quds Force leader thanked Ayatollah Khamenei's wise leadership and the sacrifices of the Iraqi and Syrian people and their governments, for their courageous fight against the terrorist group. He also thanked Lebanon's Hezbollah and Iraq's Popular Mobilization Units, for their "decisive role" in the fight against DAESH.

DAESH had committed horrific crimes, he said, "including beheading children, skinning men alive before their families, enslaving innocent girls and women and raping them, burning people alive and killing hundreds of young people en masse." The US-backed, Saudi-inspired terror group had also displaced millions and inflicted enormous property damage, including on mosques and World Heritage sites. In all these atrocities, DAESH served as a tool of the enemy.

US occupation forces were by this time well entrenched in both Iraq and Syria, under the pretext of fighting DAESH. Were their stated aims genuine, they should have hailed Soleimani as a hero.

However, since they themselves were tools of a deceptive regime, they really saw him as their key enemy.

The peoples of the region knew better. Soleimani and his colleagues like Iraq's Abu Mahdi Muhandis, Syrian Army leaders like General Issam Zahreddine and the leaders of Lebanon's Hezbollah, in particular Sayyed Hassan Nasrallah, alongside the leaders of Palestine's resistance movement, were emerging as the genuine anti-terror, anti-zionist and anti-imperial heroes of the region.

In that context President Trump, likely enraged with jealousy and frustration, decided to suddenly murder both Qassem Soleimani and Abu Mahdi Muhandis, the leading anti-terrorist heroes of Iraq and Iran, and the leading symbols of fraternity and cooperation between those two neighboring countries.

The hero's daughter, Zeinab Soleimani, would later say that her father "did his job so well" he upset

the enemy. Her father "saved people ... not just in his own country .. he did this for all countries ... he destroyed ISIS because he doesn't want innocent people in Europe to get killed by such a dangerous

virus ... he fought for everyone."

The western media reflected the schizoid view of their governments. Many recognized that Soleimani was indeed the region's leading anti-ISIS commander, but they also observed that Washington was angry at his role.

So, while Trump's political cronies and Tel Aviv spoke of the murder as "self-defense", British state media (the BBC) reported the killing of Qassem Soleimani as "good news for IS [DAESH] jihadists", while the American PBS channel spoke of "Soleimani's Complex Legacy in Iraq". Meanwhile India's Economic Times recognized that "Soleimani was the face of armed resistance against ISIS in Iraq and Syria and contributed in a big way in defeating ISIS."

2 What the enemy got

The mourning for Muhandis and Soleimani and their Iraqi colleagues was tremendous. If President Trump wanted to hurt the Iranian and Iraqi people, he succeeded. Huge rallies began in Baghdad and spread through Iraq and Iran. Both countries declared national days of mourning. The public grief was plain to the world. The US colonial media tried to downplay the numbers, but most recognized that many millions came out to mourn.

In subsequent political analysis, some western sources pointed out that the murder of Soleimani was "a huge blow to Hezbollah", as the Lebanese Resistance group (branded 'terrorist' by Washington and Tel Aviv) openly relies on support from Iran. Other US media were concerned about likely Iranian retaliation against US occupation forces in the region.

However, reaction within the region was striking, especially in Iraq. Warring factions came together, for the first time in many years. Iraqi Prime Minister Adil Abdul-Mahdi said that: "the assassination of an Iraqi military commander who holds an official position is considered aggression on Iraq ... and the liquidation of leading Iraqi figures or those from a brotherly country on Iraqi soil is a massive breach of sovereignty."

Within days Iraq's Parliament voted to expel all U.S. forces from the country. Important figures in Iraqi politics also called for closure of the U.S. Embassy, as the Iran Revolution had done back in 1979. Some US political commentators called this "Iran's True Victory", albeit orchestrated by Washington. All the effort made, over decades, to divide Iraq from Iran, had been placed at risk.

Resistance groups called for revenge and repeated the Iraqi call, demanding expulsion of US forces from the entire region. This was a new level of public debate.

On 8 January in 'Operation Martyr Soleimani' Iran's military launched a largely symbolic missile strike on the US airbase at Ayn al Assad airbase, in Iraq. This was the first direct Iranian attack on US forces. Warning had been given and there were no deaths, but 110 US servicemen were later reported as having received concussive 'traumatic brain injuries'. Presumably because of the controlled nature of the strike, and despite high tensions, the Trump administration did not launch a counter strike.

In the wake of its failing wars in Afghanistan, Syria and Yemen, and having united Iraq against them, Washington under the Trump administration sought to maintain its "maximum pressure" campaign against Iran. That had grown to include an economic siege against much of the region, and reneging on the nuclear agreement finalized by the Obama administration back in 2015. That act alienated Washington from its European allies, even if they showed themselves incapable acting independently from the US.

Russia and China, formerly allies in the nuclear campaign against Iran, were now themselves subject to Washington's unilateral coercive measures. Further, the progressive failure of Washington's 'New Middle East' wars, had helped expand the role of both in the region. In December 2019, just prior to the murder of Soleimani and Muhandis, Russia, China and Iran held joint naval exercises in the Persian Gulf. This was a response to false US claims about Iranian threats to shipping. In mid-2020 China and Iran revealed a \$400 billion 25-year economic agreement, focused on energy, infrastructure and manufacturing. China and Russia were developing parallel economic



agreements with Syria. This was not what the enemy wanted.

A number of analysts concluded that Trump's murder of Soleimani backfired. Far from dividing the resistance, the assassinations helped them unify. With US media stressing the increased potential for direct US-Iran conflict (which both sides want to avoid), more thoughtful analysts pointed to the further frustration of US ambitions in the Middle East.

British-Syrian analyst Danny Makki said that Soleimani's legacy in Syria would endure, as "there are still tens of thousands of fighters and any number of commanders in Syria who he helped train that may yet carry on his work to expand Iran's influence and hegemony across the Middle East."

Iranian-Australian Mohsen Solhdoost wrote that, with the rise of new resistance groups attacking US forces in Iraq, the killing of Soleimani "has strengthened Iran's hand" in the region.

In fact, the enemy has created, in martyred Soleimani, a much-loved legend which will outlive all current enemy leaders. As Zeinab Soleimani said, they thought that after killing Soleimani "Everything will stop, but they are so wrong. They didn't see the anger in the eyes of the Iranian people, they didn't see their eyes, they didn't see their sadness ... They are so wrong thinking this will be the end of General Soleimani. This is the beginning."

Martyr Soleimani is More Alive than Ever



Aleksandr Gelyevich Dugin
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and Political Analyst)



We should offer our condolences to the relatives of Martyr Soleimani and the people of Iran, but I want to express my joy that Iran has raised such sons. Not only in words but in his action, Soleimani testified about eternal life and one who testifies this cannot be dead and annihilated. He is rather more alive than ever. Martyr Soleimani sacrificed his life for his religious beliefs and his homeland and left this world beautifully. I do not agree with making a comparison between life and death. Martyr Soleimani lived an exalted life and sacrificed his life for his beliefs, Imam, and the interests of his country and people.

Dear Iranian friends, I would like to share a few words about General Soleimani. He was not a hero who fought only for his country, his homeland, and his motherland. He was not a human hero; he was loftier than that. He was a great personality who sacrificed himself for the sake of his people. He sacrificed himself for his leader.



He was a very amazing personality. He was at the forefront of the struggle and resistance against the Zionist regime. He fought against modern and postmodern Western civilization. He fought against the Western version of globalization advocated by the United States and its friends. He was a friend of the Palestinians, the Yemenis, the Syrians, the Iraqis, but that is not all.

Who was he (Martyr Soleimani)? He was a person who did not give up his struggle against oppression until the end. He was concerned about the poor and needy. His enemies are the enemies of the poor people. They are the people who fight for darkness. He was a person who fought against the darkness. He was the true representative of the justice-seeking people of the world.

He had prepared himself for the battle alongside the last Imam and the last son of the Prophet of Islam (pbuh); who will come and fights with the enemies of humanity.

His struggle had different dimensions: political dimension, social dimension, military dimension, and geopolitical dimension. He sought great jihad, but not merely military and defensive jihad. He did not fight for worldly affairs and rather, his jihad was a spiritual one. His goal was a spiritual one in essence. He fought for spiritual and metaphysical objectives and that is what made him a role model for many.

He was a religious and a divine man. Spirituality cannot be destroyed. He had a spiritual identity. Both he and Abu Mahdi Al-Muhandis and their other martyred friends were engaged in a spiritual battle. They were struggling for the reappearance (of the Imam of Time). They are alive and they will remain immortal in our minds, hearts, and souls. He was a Muslim, but we Christians consider him one of our own.

We, the true Christians, and we, the true Muslims, are all on the battlefield and are fighting a common enemy. We consider him (Martyr Soleimani) our spiritual hero. Human history is approaching that crucial moment (of reappearance of the awaited savior) and the enemies must be destroyed. And it is through spiritual power that victory can be achieved and General Soleimani paved the way for it.

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Testament

of Martyr Major-General
Qasem Soleimani

In the Name of God, the Beneficent, the Merciful

■ I Testify to the Main Principles of Islam

I testify that there is no god but Allah. I testify that Muhammad is the Messenger of God. I testify that Ali ibn Abi Talib and his immaculate children – the twelve Imams – are our Infallible Imams and that they are “Hujaj Allah” (God’s proofs).

I testify that the Day of Judgment is true, the Quran is true, Heaven and Hell are true, the questioning and answering (on the Day of Judgment) are true, and that Resurrection, God’s Justice, Imamate and Prophethood are true.

■ Oh God, I thank You for Your blessings

Oh God, thank You for transferring me from one loin to the next, from one century to the next, and from one family to the next, until You bestowed on me the blessing to live during a time when I could see one of your most prominent Friends who is close to and a companion of the Infallibles, Your righteous servant – the Great Khomeini. And, I thank you for letting me be his soldier. If I did not have the blessing to be the companion of Your Great Messenger, Muhammad al-Mustafa, and if I did not live during the period of the oppression of Ali ibn Abi Talib and his immaculate and wronged children, You helped me tread the same path on which they laid down their lives – which are worth all the universe and its creatures.

Oh God, I thank You for letting me take the path of Your other righteous servant – after dear Khomeini – whose innocence even surpasses his righteousness, a man who is today’s sage of Islam, Shi’ism, Iran and the political world of Islam. This man is dear Khamenei (may I sacrifice my life for his sake).

Dear God, thank You for allowing me to associate with Your best servants, for giving me the opportunity to kiss their heavenly faces, and for letting me smell their divine scent – the Mujahideen and Martyrs on this path.

Dear God, Capable, Mighty One and Merciful Provider, I prostrate before You in gratitude and humbleness for having helped me take the path of the purest Fatima and her children in the Shi’ah religion – the true scent of Islam – and for letting me shed tears for the children of Ali ibn Abi Talib and the purest Fatima. What a great

blessing it is, your greatest and most precious blessing. It is a blessing that contains light, spirituality and restlessness, in which there is the most assuring peace of mind. It contains sorrow that is coupled with tranquility and spirituality.

Dear God, I am grateful to You for giving me parents who were poor but pious, who loved the Household of the Holy Prophet of Islam, and who always treaded the path of purity. I beseechingly ask You to associate them with Your Friends in Your Heaven and allow me to meet with them in the Hereafter.

■ Oh God, I Have Hopes for Your Pardon

Oh Dear God, Oh Wise and Unique Creator, my hands are empty, and so is my backpack. I rush to you without any provisions, hoping that You will treat me to Your banquet of pardon and generosity. I do not have any provisions with me, for what provisions does a poor man need in the presence of a generous Lord?

My shoes are filled with the hope of Your Grace and Your Generosity. I have brought with me two closed eyes, which contain a treasure in addition to their impurities. That jewel is tears shed for Fatima’s Husayn, tears shed for the Household, and tears shed in defense of the oppressed, the orphans and the innocent who were caught in the claws of oppressors.

Oh God, I have nothing in my hands. They have nothing to present, nor do they have the power to defend. However, I have stored something in my hands, which I am hopeful about, that is a continuous movement towards You. When I reached out my hands towards you, when I put them on the ground and on my knees for Your sake, and when I carried weapons in order to defend Your religion, these are the wealth that I carry in my hands and I hope that you have accepted them.

Oh God, my legs are frail and have no stamina. They do not dare to cross the bridge that crosses over Hell. My legs tremble even when crossing an ordinary bridge. Woe to me, as Your path (the bridge over Hell) is thinner than a hair and sharper than a sword. Nonetheless, I harbor some hope that I may not tremble and that I may find salvation. I set foot in Your sanctuary and circled Your House (the circumambulation

of the Holy Ka'bah). I ran bare-footed in the shrines of Your Friends and between the shrines of Husayn and Abbas. I bent and hugged my knees in long trenches. And, I ran, jumped, crept, wept, laughed and made others laugh, cried and made others cry, and fell and picked myself up in defense of your religion. I hope that you will pardon them (my legs) because of these jumping, crawling, and these holy shrines.

Oh God, my head, my wisdom, my lips, my nose, my ears, my heart and all parts of my body harbor the same hope. Oh most Merciful, Compassionate God, accept me and accept me in purity. Accept me in a way that I will be worthy of seeing You. I do not want anything other than meeting You. Heaven for me is being next to You, Oh Allah.

■ Oh God, I Have Been Left Behind the Caravan of My Friends

Oh dear God, it is many years now that I have been left behind a caravan. I have constantly sent others towards it, but I myself have been left behind it. You Yourself know that I have never been able to forget them. Their memory and their names always echo, not in my mind, but in my heart and in my eyes with tears and sighs.

My dear God, my body is becoming infirm. How could You possibly not accept someone who has been waiting at Your door for 40 years? My Creator, my Beloved and my Love, I have always asked You to fill my heart and my soul with the love of You. Let me burn and die in being apart from You.

My dear One, I have wandered into deserts feeling restless and ashamed of being left behind. I go from one city to another and from this desert to the next in winters and summers, because I harbor a hope. Generous God, my Beloved God, I have fixed my hopes on Your Generosity. You know that I love You. You know that I do not want anyone other than You. Help me join You.

Oh God, terror has engulfed my whole existence. I am not capable of controlling my will. Do not disgrace me. I ask You, for the sake of those whose sanctity You have vowed to preserve, to join me to the caravan that has come towards You before I see the sanctity of these shrines being disrespected.

You, Whom I worship, my Love and my Beloved, I love You. I have seen and felt You many times. I cannot remain separate from You any longer. It is enough. It is enough. Accept me, but only when I am worthy of You.

■ A Word with My Mujahid Brothers and Sisters

My Mujahid sisters and brothers in this world, you who have offered your lives for the sake of God, risking your lives and putting them on sale in the bazaar of love, please pay attention. The Islamic Republic is the center of Islam and Shi'ism. Today, Husayn ibn Ali's base is Iran. You should know that the Islamic Republic is a sanctuary, and if this sanctuary is preserved, others will be preserved as well. If the enemy destroys this sanctuary, no sanctuary – neither the sanctuaries belonging to Ibrahim nor Muhammad – will remain.

My brothers and sisters, the world of Islam is constantly in need of leadership, one that is connected to and endorsed by the Infallibles in terms of Islamic law and jurisprudence. You know perfectly well that the purest religious scholar who shook the whole world and revived Islam – our great and pure Khomeini – stated that “Wilayat-e-Faqih” is the only prescription for the salvation of this nation. Therefore, those of you who believe in it as Shi'ah Muslims and based on religion, and those of you who believe in it as Sunni Muslims and based on logic, should know that you must refuse to abandon the tent of Wilayat, and without any discord among yourselves. This tent is the tent of the Messenger of God. The basis of the enmity against the Islamic Republic throughout the world, is for burning and destroying this tent. You should circle around it (like the circumambulation of the Ka'bah). I swear to Allah, I swear to Allah, I swear to Allah, if this tent is harmed, there will be no sign of God's House (Ka'bah), Madinah – where the shrine of the Holy Prophet is located – Najaf, Karbala, Kadhimiya, Samarra or Mashhad, and the Holy Quran will be damaged as well.

■ A Word with My Iranian Brothers and Sisters

My dear Iranian brothers and sisters, you honorable and glorious people for whom I, and individuals like me, wish to sacrifice our lives thousands of times – as you sacrificed hundreds of thousands of lives for the sake of Islam and Iran – you should take care of the “Principles.” The Principles means “Wali-Faqih” (Guardianship of the Islamic Jurist), in particular that sage and that oppressed man who is imbued with religious piety, jurisprudence, spirituality and religious understanding. Dear Khamenei should be very dear to you. You should know that respecting him is like respecting the sanctities.

Brothers, sisters, fathers, mothers, my dear

ones! The Islamic Republic is experiencing its most glorious period today. You should know that it does not matter what the enemy thinks about you. What did the enemy think about your Prophet? How did the enemies behave towards the Messenger of God and his children? What accusations did they make about him, and how did they treat his immaculate children? The enemies' reproach, censure and pressure should not divide you.

You should know – and you do know – that the most important achievement of dear Khomeini was that firstly, he applied Islam to help Iran, and then, he put Iran at the service of Islam. If it were not for Islam, and if an Islamic spirit had not ruled over our nation, Saddam would have rent our country to pieces like a predatory wolf, and the U.S. would have acted in the same manner like a rabid dog. However, Imam Khomeini's accomplishment was that he brought Islam to the help of this nation. He brought forth Ashura, the month of Muharram, the month of Safar, and Fatimiyah (the period of mourning for Hazrat Fatima (phuh)) to help this nation. He created revolutions within the revolution. It is for this reason that in every period, thousands of self-sacrificing individuals laid down their lives to shield you, the Iranian nation, Iranian soil and Islam. They humbled the biggest worldly powers. My dear ones, do not become divided over the "Principles."

Martyrs are the axis of dignity and respect for all of us. They have joined the vast ocean of God, the Pure, not only for today, but for eternity. You should regard them as great in your eyes, hearts and on your tongues, as they truly are

great. You should familiarize your children with their names and their photographs. You should look with respect at the children of Martyrs who are the orphaned children of all of you. You should respect their wives and their parents. In the same way that you treat your own children with leniency, pay special attention to them in the absence of their fathers, mothers, wives and children.

You should respect your Armed Forces which are headed by the Wali-e-Faqih for the sake of defending yourselves, your religion, Islam and the country. Likewise, the Armed Forces should respect, protect and support the nation, its honor and its soil, in the same way that they defend their own homes. As the Commander of the Faithful – the Leader of the Pious – said, "The Armed Forces should be a source of dignity for their nation. They should be the castle and the refuge for the oppressed and the people, and they should adorn their country."

■ A Word with the Dear People of Kerman

I have a point to raise with the dear people of Kerman, a lovely people who made the greatest sacrifices throughout the 8-year Holy Defense and sacrificed great generals and honorable Mujahideen for the sake of Islam. I always feel humble before them. They trusted me for eight years for the sake of Islam. They sent their children to deadly battlefields and difficult wars such as operations Karbala-5, Valfajr-8, Tariqul-Quds, Fathul-Mobin, Baytul-Moqaddas and other operations. And, they founded a great and valuable army in the name of and for the



love of our Infallible Imam, Husayn ibn Ali – the Tharallah Division. That Division frequently made the hearts of our nation and of the Muslims happy, working like a sharp sword and erasing grief from their hearts.

My dear ones! Today, I am no longer among you due to divine destiny. I love you more than my father, my mother, my children, my sisters and my brothers, because I spent more time with you than I did with them, while they were my flesh and blood, and I was theirs. They accepted for me to dedicate my life and my existence to you and to the Iranian nation.

I would like Kerman to remain with Wilayat till the end. This Wilayat is the Wilayat of Ali ibn Abi Talib, and its tent is the tent of Fatima's Husayn. You should circle around it. I am with all of you. You know that I paid more attention to humanity, to affection and to innate nature than to political colors. I am addressing all of you who consider me to be a part of you and as your brother and your child.

I ask you in this will to not leave Islam alone in this period of time, when it has been manifested in the Islamic Revolution and the Islamic Republic. Defending Islam requires intelligence and special attention. When it comes to Islam, the Islamic Republic, sanctities and Wilayat-e-Faqih in political matters, know that these are the colors of God; therefore, you should prefer the colors of God to any other color.

■ A Word with the Families of the Martyrs

My children, my daughters and sons, children of the Martyrs, fathers and mothers of the Martyrs, you shining lights of our country, and brothers, sisters and loyal, pious wives of the Martyrs! The voice that I heard every day, to which I was so attached, that gave me so much tranquility like the voice of the Quran did, and that I considered to be the greatest source of spiritual support for me was the voice of the children of the Martyrs, which I would listen to almost every day, and also, that of the Martyrs' fathers and mothers in whom I felt the presence of my own parents.

My dear ones, as long as you are the mentors of this nation, you should appreciate your value. Reflect and manifest your Martyrs in yourselves in such a way that whenever someone sees you, they feel as though the fathers and children of Martyrs are the living images of the Martyrs with the same degree of spirituality, power and qualities.

I beseechingly ask you to forgive and to pardon me. I was not able to do what was necessary for many of you, or even for your martyred children. I ask for forgiveness and for you to pardon me.

I would like my body to be carried by the Martyrs' children in the hope of receiving God's attention, thanks to the touch of their pure hands on my body.

■ A Word with the Politicians of the Country

I have a short point to make to the politicians of the country, both to those who refer to themselves as "Reformists" and to the "Conservatives." What made me suffer the most was that we usually forget – or sacrifice – God, the Quran and values under two circumstances. My dear ones, no matter what rivalry and contention you have with each other, if your actions, words and debates weaken religion and the Revolution in one way or another, you should know that you will receive the wrath of the Holy Prophet of Islam and the Martyrs on this path. You should set limits. If you want to stand together, the condition for being together is agreement over the Principles and expressing them in an outspoken manner. The Principles are not lengthy or detailed (and therefore not open to interpretation). The Principles are comprised of a few important tenets: 1. The first is believing in Wilayat-e-Faqih in practice. This means that you should listen to his advice and act on his recommendations and warnings as the true physician of religious laws and science. A person who wishes to undertake a certain responsibility in the Islamic Republic should know that the main condition is having a true belief in Wilayat-e-Faqih and acting on the Wali-e-Faqih's words. I am not speaking about a "Burning Furnace Wilayat" (This refers to a narration from Imam Sadiq (pbuh) where he asked one of his followers to sit in a burning furnace, and the follower immediately submitted to his order without hesitation.), nor a Wilayat due to law. Neither of these two will solve the problem of unity. Wilayat due to law is particular to people in general – including Muslims and non-Muslims – but Wilayat in practice is particular to officials who wish to undertake the important affairs of the country, an Islamic country with all these Martyrs. 2. Having true faith in the Islamic Republic and what it has been founded on. This includes morals, values and responsibilities, whether responsibilities towards the nation or towards Islam. 3. Employing pure individuals who believe in the nation and who are the servants of it, not individuals who evoke the memory of former Khans, even if they are elected as a chairman in a very small village. 4. They should establish a method, which includes confronting corruption and refraining from it, and also includes avoiding a luxurious lifestyle. 5. During their term of office in any position of responsibility, they should consider respecting

the people and rendering services to them to be acts of worship. And, they themselves should promote values, not boycotting them over vain excuses.

Acting as the fathers of the society, they should pay attention to their responsibility in the area of cultivating and protecting the society, rather than supporting behavior – driven by negligence and emotions and for the sake of winning the votes of people who have a transient feelings – that would promote divorce and corruption in society and would cause families to break apart. Governments are the main factor in both strengthening families as well as in causing families to break apart. If the Principles are acted on, everyone will be on the path of the Leader, the Revolution and the Islamic Republic. Then, there will be a proper competition based on these Principles for the sake of electing the most eligible person.

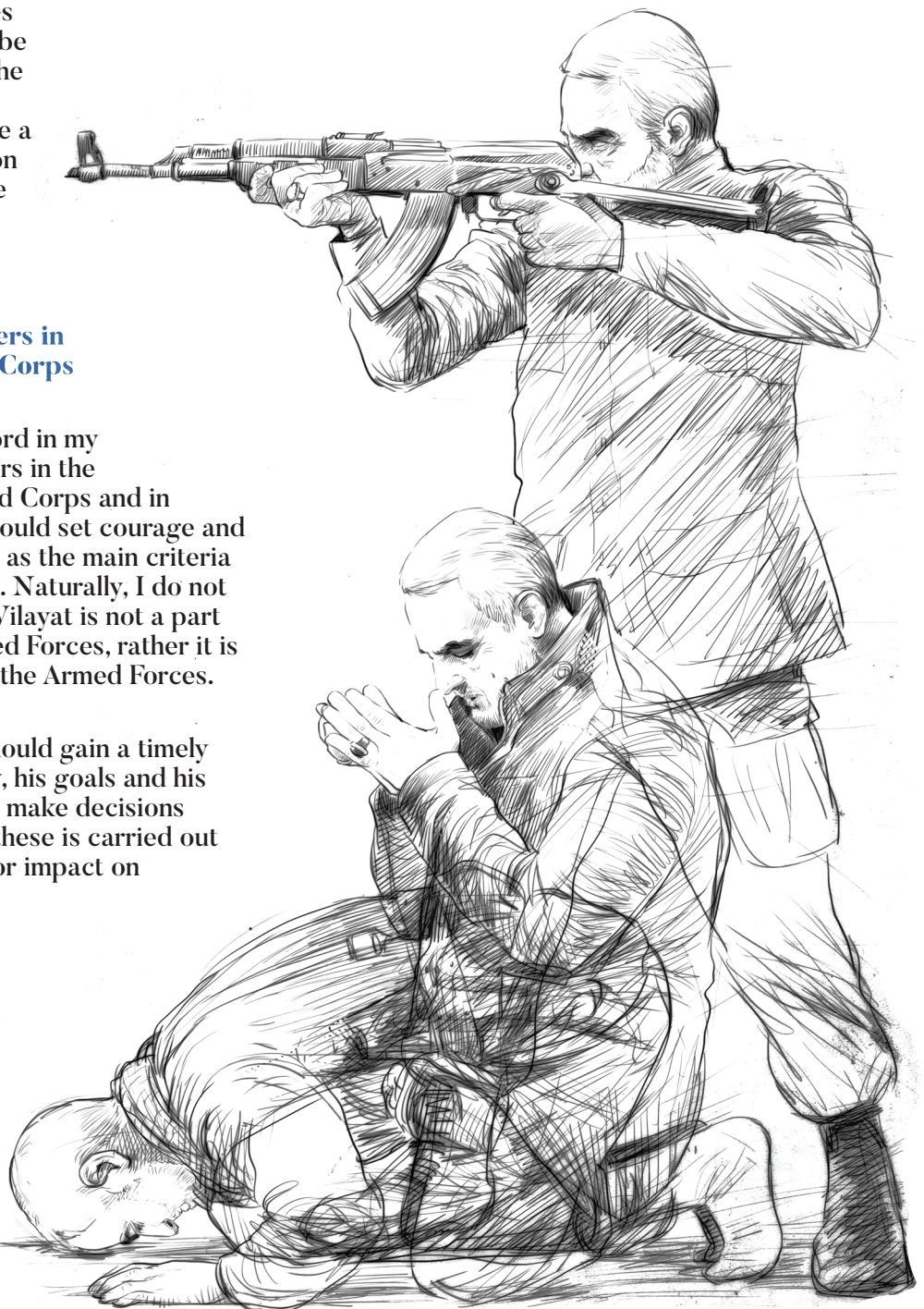
■ A Word with My Brothers in the Revolutionary Guard Corps and the Army

I wish to address a brief word in my dear, self-sacrificing brothers in the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps and in the IRGC-like Army. You should set courage and the power to manage crises as the main criteria for appointing commanders. Naturally, I do not mention Wilayat, because Wilayat is not a part or a component of the Armed Forces, rather it is the basis for the survival of the Armed Forces. This condition is inviolable.

Another point is that you should gain a timely understanding of the enemy, his goals and his policies, and then, you must make decisions and act promptly. If any of these is carried out belatedly, it will have a major impact on your victory.

■ A Word with the Religious Scholars and Honorable Religious Authorities

I, a 40-year soldier in the field, would like to have a brief word with the honorable religious scholars and great Religious Authorities who cast light on society and eradicate darkness, in





particular Grand Religious Authorities. Your soldier saw from a watchtower that if the Islamic Republic is harmed, religion and what you have endeavored hard to preserve and for which you have made every effort to develop expertise in, will be destroyed. This period is different from all other periods. If they take control this time, nothing will remain of Islam. The correct path to take is to support the Revolution, the Islamic Republic and Wali-Faqih without any reservation. You – who are the source of hope for Islam – should not allow others to make you hesitate.

All of you loved Imam and believed in his path. Imam's path was the path of fighting against the U.S. and supporting the Islamic Republic and the Muslims, who are oppressed by the Arrogant Powers, under the flag of Wali-e-Faqih. Even with my flawed mind, I could see that some vicious individuals tried and continue to try to persuade influential Religious Authorities and religious scholars in society into silence and hesitation through the use of self-righteous gestures and words. It is clear what the truth is. The Islamic Republic, values and Wilayat-e-Faqih are the legacies of Imam Khomeini (may God bestow mercy on him). Therefore, they should be earnestly supported.

I see Hazrat Grand Ayatollah Khamenei greatly wronged and alone. He needs your cooperation and assistance, and you great personages should direct the society with your statements, meetings and support. If this Revolution is harmed, then the situation will not even be like the time of the cursed Shah. Even worse than that, the Front of Arrogance will do its best to promote sheer disbelief and deep deviation, which cannot be reversed.

I kiss your blessed hands (in humbleness) and apologize for these words. I would have liked to make these statements in my meetings with you in person, but it was not meant to be.

Your soldier who kisses your hands

■ I Ask Everyone to Pardon Me

I ask my neighbors, my friends and my colleagues to forgive and to pardon me. I ask the soldiers of the Tharallah Division and the great Quds Force, who are a thorn in the eye of the enemy and a strong fortification against it, to forgive and to pardon me, in particular those who helped me in a brotherly manner.

I cannot avoid mentioning Hussein Poor-Ja'fari who helped me well-intentionally, like a brother with his child, and whom I loved in the same way that I loved my own brother. I apologize to his family and to all my revolutionary and Mujahid brothers who were bothered because of me. Of course, all the brothers in the Quds Force showed me brotherly love and helped me, including my dear friend General Qa'ani, who tolerated me with patience and dignity.

IRAN

The Gate of all Nations

1 **Pardis Technology Park**
Iran Silicon Valley

2 **Iran National Museum**
Ancient Iran
Islamic Archaeology
and Art of Iran

Pardis Technology Park Iran Silicon Valley

Pardis Innovation District was established in 1380 with the focus on Pardis Technology Park, under auspices of Vice-Presidency for Science and Technology, with a multi-sectoral approach and with the following functions:

- Creating a suitable business environment for knowledge-based and innovative companies aiming to preserve elites and attract non-resident Iranian specialists and foreign technologists.
- Meeting the complicated technological needs and the cause of technology sources formation and facilitating the process of its attraction, promotion and dissemination
- Managing the flow of knowledge and technology among universities, research and development institutes, private companies, and finally industry and market
- Creating the technology ecosystem and improving business regulations in this field
- Formation of professional activities in the field of marketing, ideation, scientific research, engineering design, prototyping, industrial design, standardization, development of technical knowledge, intellectual property registration, sales and consulting operations to materialize technological products in the field of industrial production, risky investment and other specialized services.

Studies on location of the park started on three proposed areas and according to climatic and geographical characteristics, phase 6 of the new city of Pardis, located in 20 km east of Tehran, was finally selected. The ground-breaking ceremony was held in phase 1 in 1380.

According to Pardis city comprehensive plan, about 800 hectares of lands have research and educational application and this city has been developed as Iran's first specialized city with a scientific, cultural and technological mission.

One of the objectives in line with making Pardis mission-oriented is to create the necessary infrastructure to achieve the goals and upstream documents, such as the first scientific ranking in the region and providing a complete package for attracting and employing elites and specialists.

The principled agreement to establish Pardis Technology Park in 1382 was issued by the Higher Education Development Council of the Ministry of Science, Research and Technology, its statute was approved by this council in 1384 and the structure of the park was formed independently.

During 1384 and 1385, the first companies were established in the park, and it enjoyed the general budget for the acquisition of capital assets and expenses.

Upon the approval of the cabinet ministers in 1384 and in the form of a national document for developing Iran's provinces, the plan to create and develop theoretical and applied research centers with national and transnational performance and technology parks in the province and transform Pardis Technology Park into a functional center of technology parks in Iran, Middles East and Central Asia was communicated.

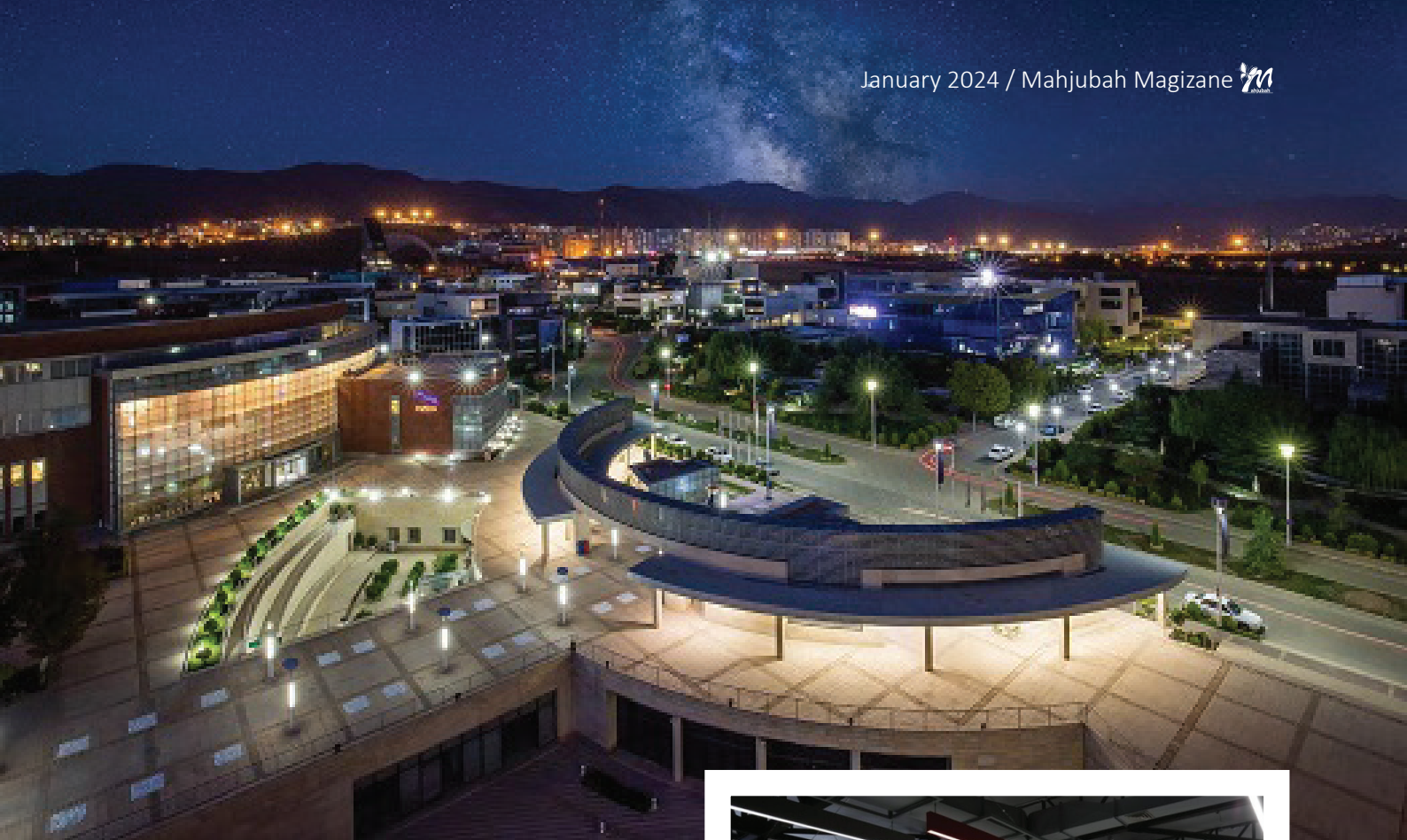
The Statute of the Incubation Center was approved and communicated by the Ministry of Science, Research and Technology in 1388. Elite Technology Development Center has also started its activities since 1389.

The vision and long-term goals of Pardis Technology Park were also approved in 1391.

The executive operation of preparing the knowledge Pardis (phase 2) with an area covering 18 hectares started in 1392. Meanwhile, Pardis Technology Park established the D-8 Technology Transfer and Exchange Network (D8TTEN) and the Mustafa Prize (PBUH) as well.

In 1392, the Ministry of Health, Treatment and Medical Education also issued an agreement in principle to establish a





health technology park as a center located in Pardis Technology Park and the first health technology park in Iran.

Its statute was approved by the council for the developing Medical Sciences Universities of the Ministry of Health, Treatment and Medical Education in 1393.

In 1393, the land acquisition for the Entrepreneurship Pardis (Phase 3) with an area covering 31 hectares was done and in 1392, the INOTEX International Technology and Innovation Exhibition was designed and launched and has been held annually.

The Innovation Acceleration Center was established to organize technology accelerators affairs and entrepreneurial events in Iran in 1393.

Azadi Innovation Factory and High-way Innovation Factory as branches of Pardis Technology Park were inaugurated in 1397.

A contract was signed to annex 20 new hectares (phase 4) to the park near the Entrepreneurship Pardis in 1399.

Meanwhile, MoU on strengthening the technology and innovation ecosystem of Tehran Province was signed between Tehran Governorate and Vice Presidency for Science and Technology aiming to take advantage of the maximum capacities and facilities to expand the hardware and software of Pardis Innovation District.



In the meantime, Digital Economy Technology Park was annexed to Pardis Technology Park in an area covering 30 hectares in 1399.

Pardis Innovation District, as the most important and the largest innovation district in Iran, has focused on commercializing the achievements of technologists and creating a suitable platform for technology growth and market development of knowledge-based companies.

Pardis Innovation District has played an effective role in developing science and technology in Pardis city and Tehran province, so that this area is the most significant center for developing startups and knowledge-based companies and commercialization of technology and innovations in Iran.

Pardis Technology Park has been established as a center for the developing advanced technology, to show brilliant manifestations of participation in the process of industrial surge in Iran.

Iran National Museum

The National Museum of Iran is a state museum under the auspices of the Ministry of Cultural Heritage, Tourism, and Handicrafts. The Museum consists of the Iran Bastan Museum (Ancient Iran) and the Museum of Islamic Archaeology and Art of Iran, as well as eight research departments, the conservation department, the library, and the archives. The research departments are organized by specific archaeological and historical periods and topics. This Museum houses the largest collections of archaeological objects in the country. Dating from the Paleolithic to the late Islamic period, the collections represent more than a million years of human settlement and cultural achievement in Iran. The Paleolithic personal ornaments, clay and human figurines from the early village communities, earliest evidence of administrative technology and writing from the 4th millennium BC, Persepolis stone reliefs and capitals, Parthian life-size bronze statue of the "Shami Man", natural mummy of a man called "Salt Man," the Ilkhanid Mihrab (prayer niche) of Dar-e Behesht, and the pen and ink (Siah Qalam) paintings by Reza Abbasi of the Safavid period are among the important objects in the museum.



Ancient Iran

The Ancient Iran Museum is the first building in Iran specifically designed and built as a museum. It was designed by the French architect André Godard and constructed by two Iranian masons, Abbas-Ali Me'mar and Morad Tabrizi between 1933 -1936. Its façade and portico were inspired by the famous arch of Taq-e Kasra of Ctesiphon, one of the famous examples of the architecture of the Sassanian period; the building's brickwork exhibits the Persian tradition of brick construction.

The permanent exhibition covers a surface area of some 4,800 square meters on two floors and a basement, containing selected artifacts in chronological order, from the Lower Paleolithic period (ca. 1,000,000 years ago) to the end of Sasanian times (651 CE). The first-floor galleries contain prehistoric objects including Paleolithic, Epipaleolithic, Neolithic, and Chalcolithic artifacts. The ground floor galleries contain historic objects including Bronze Age, Elamite, Iron Age, Median, Achaemenid, Seleucid, Parthian, and Sassanian artifacts

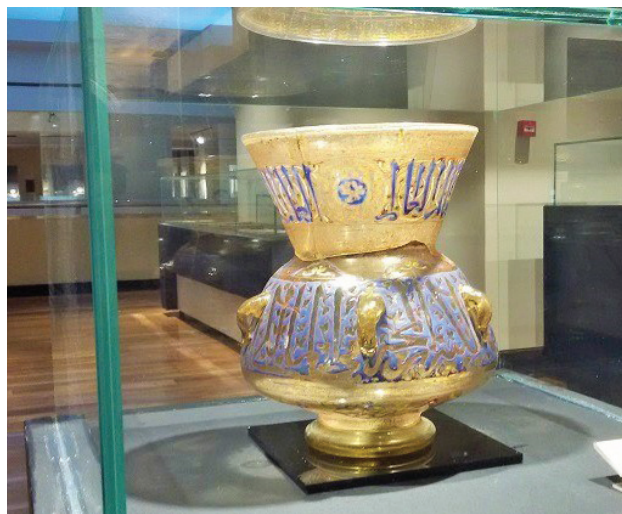




Islamic Archaeology and Art of Iran

The Museum of Islamic Archaeology and Art of Iran covers some 4000 square meters with three floors is a part of the National Museum of Iran. Its octagonal plan is inspired by the Sasanid palace at Bishāpur. The museum building was designed by architect Eugene Aftandilian, and its construction began in the 1940s and completed in the 1950s. The building was initially used as ethnography museum and for temporary exhibitions. After a period of renovation, the building was reopened in 1996 as the Museum of the Islamic Era. In the summer of 2006, another phase of restoration and reconstruction began, and the new museum was reopened in 2015.

The ground floor is designated as the auditorium and the temporary exhibitions hall. The Islamic artifacts are on display chronologically on the first and second floors. The second floor contains the early Islamic, Seljuq and Ilkhanid periods and the first floor houses the holy Qurān hall, and artifacts of the Timurid, Safavid, Afshār, Zand and Qajar periods.



A hand is shown dropping a small red toy building into a metal trash can. The trash can is filled with various blue toy military models, including tanks, helicopters, and fighter jets. The scene is set on a wooden floor with a map of the Middle East visible in the background. The text 'SEVERE REVENGE' is prominently displayed in red, followed by a paragraph in black and a signature in blue.

SEVERE REVENGE

The IRGC struck a counterattack, for now, devastating a U.S. base with its missiles destroying the dignity and awe of the tyrannical, arrogant U.S. govt. However, the main punishment will be the expulsion of the U.S. from the region.

[Ayatollah Khamenei](#)

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The human siege on Gaza must be lifted completely and the Rafah border crossing should be reopened

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The massacre of the people in Gaza must be stopped and blind attacks against civilians should be ended

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Countries should cut any political and economic ties they have had with the Zionist regime

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The Zionist regime must immediately withdraw its military forces from Gaza

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An international trial should be held to prosecute leaders of the Zionist regime

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The army of the occupying regime must be recognized as a terrorist organization

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Convoys should be dispatched to Gaza to deliver humanitarian aid to the Palestinians

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A special fund should be set up for immediate reconstruction of Gaza

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Supplying arms and weapons to the people of Palestine in case the war continues

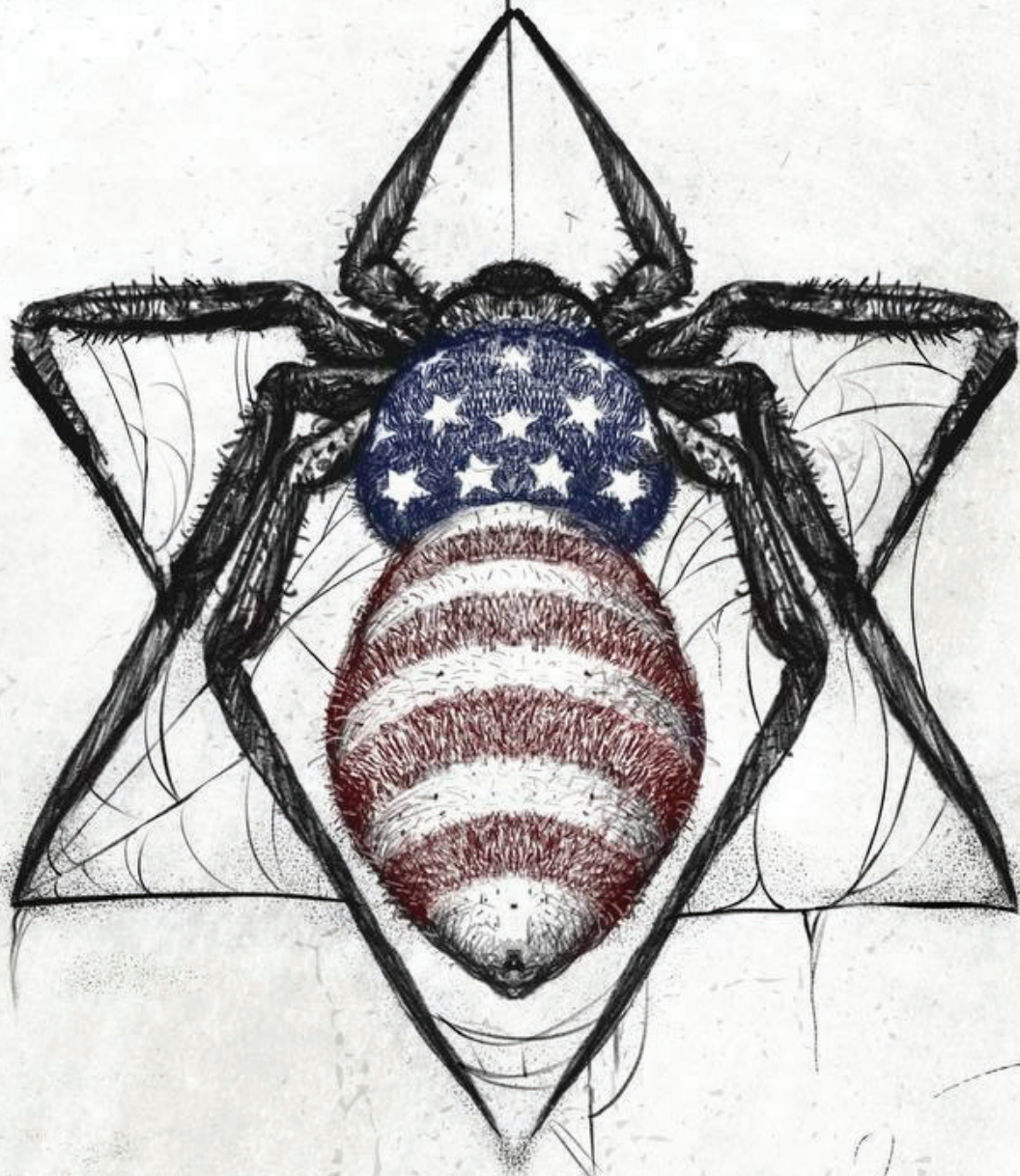
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The day on which Gaza's Al Ahli Arab hospital was bombed should be designated as the day of crime against humanity

President Ebrahim Raisi submitted 10 proposals

to the emergency summit of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) and the Arab League for a decisive action that could benefit the people of Palestine amid the Zionist regime's war on Gaza:





The American spider spins its web and names it Israel