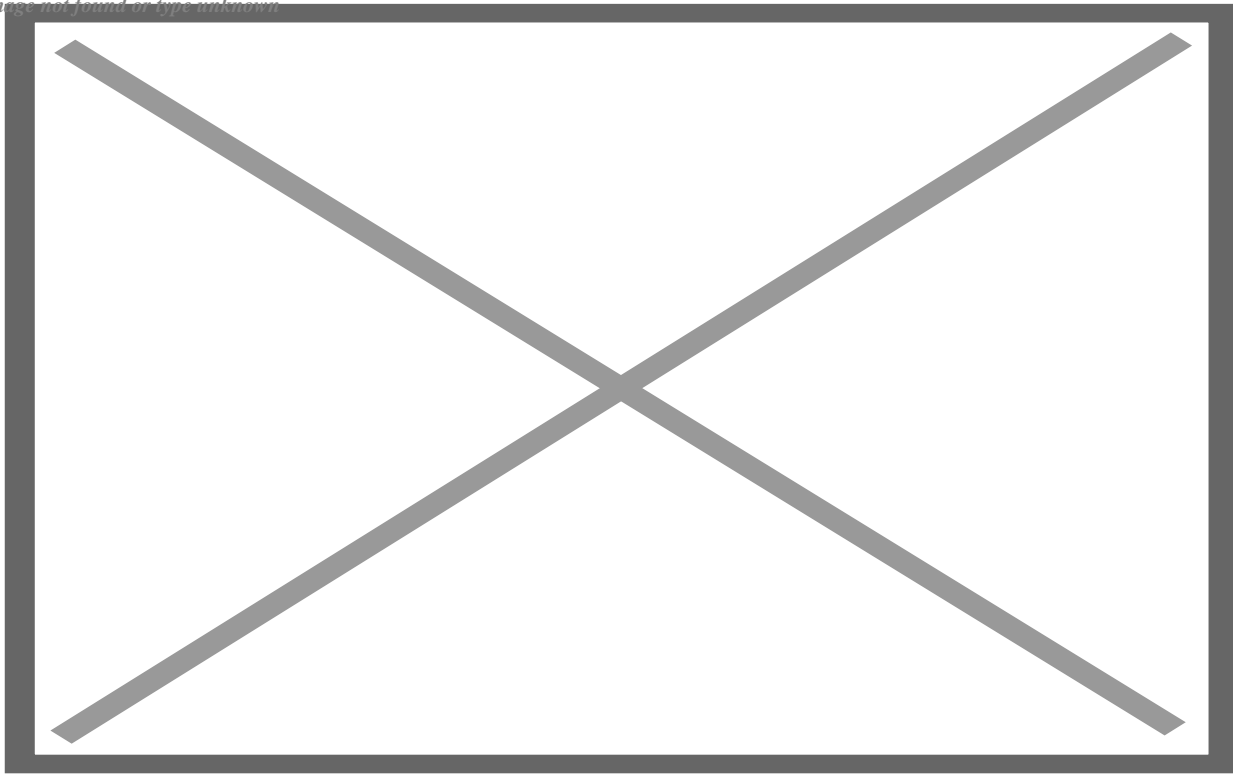


Iranian president reminds Washington that his country is free and sovereign

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?Iranian President Ibrahim Raeisi delivers a speech on National Day of the Fight against Global Arrogance. (Fars news agency)??

Tehran, November 5 (RHC)-- Iranian President Ebrahim Raeisi has addressed U.S. President Joe Biden, telling him Iran was freed more than four decades ago and is no longer under the control of US hegemony. "I was informed a few hours ago that the President of the United States has uttered some words due to distraction, he said we (the U.S.) are aiming to free Iran," President Raeisi said.

"Iran was freed 43 years ago and is determined not to be occupied by you. And we will never be (your) milk cow," President Raeisi said in response to Biden's comment. In a speech he delivered at the Iranian rally on the anniversary of the U.S. embassy takeover -- better known as "Den of Espionage" -- President Raeisi noted: "Today is the day to fight global supremacy; supremacy is arrogance and selfishness."

"Today is the symbol and manifestation of the arrogance of the ruling system of the United States, which, according to Imam Khoemini, is the Great Satan and is ready to destroy many nations and people of the world in order to achieve its interests," Raeisi highlighted.

Raeisi said: "Had it not been for the move taken by students who followed Imam's path, the fight against arrogance would be incomplete," adding that the "Day of Fight against Global Arrogance is a symbol of Iran's strength."

Pointing out to the hegemonic nature of the United States, Iran's President underlined that the U.S. ruling system has taken part in more than 300 wars across the world, carrying out 62 coups against the will of the people of different nations, stood behind the deadly atomic bombings in Japan's Hiroshima and Nagasaki killing millions of people, and participated in the deadliest wars; including the Afghanistan and Vietnam wars, by causing tremendous killing and bloodshed.

President Raeisi also noted: "The U.S.'s military interventions in countries in the name of fighting terrorists and liberating nations, founding Takfiri terrorist groups such as Daesh and al-Nusra Front, supporting separatist and terrorist movements, launching sanction systems against independent countries, especially against the Islamic Republic of Iran" are some of the main other crimes committed by the US establishment.

Such examples, according to President Raeisi, demonstrate that "the spirit of America is based on arrogance and dominance," pointing out "the U.S. wants people to think and act like the U.S. and become milk cows for the United States."

The Iranian president criticized the US for its crimes against humanity, underscoring that it is strange that at the time the US acknowledged founding and supporting terrorist groups such as Daesh that has been committing crimes across the world, Washington claims to be an advocator and supporter of freedoms and human rights.

Elsewhere in the speech, President Raeisi touched on the U.S.-imposed sanctions, underscoring that despite the sanctions (imposed by the US and West), the Islamic Republic of Iran has been able to continue its progress on different levels. He highlighted that despite sanctions, "the Islamic Republic of Iran is one of the most advanced manufacturers in complex industries; be it nuclear industry or military industry."

Further elaborating, the president said: "Do you really think that we will be held back by your threats and sanctions? You aim to slow down the pace of the Iranian nation's movement, but that's just an illusion. Our men and women will not allow your malicious dreams to come true."

"Iran is a producing country and has exports. They wanted to reduce oil exports to zero and slow down and stop production in the country, they wanted to isolate the Islamic Republic of Iran, but they failed," he added. President Raeisi emphasized that "owing to insight and good knowledge of the enemy, the younger generation in Iran today has the same view toward the United States as previous generations."

Touching on the latest developments in Iran and the protests that were taking place, President Raeisi stressed that universities, scientific development and technology are at the heart of targets the US along with the enemies of Iran are trying to hit, with focus on destroying the security and progress of Iran in particular.

Addressing the Iranian nation, President Raeisi warned that today, the U.S. and some Western powers have aimed at sabotaging Iran's national unity and cohesion, saying "the people of Iran, the dear Kurds and Balochs, Turks, Persians, Turkmen, Arabs and everyone should know that the Americans and the enemies of the Islamic Revolution are targeting national unity and cohesion."

President Raesi also said that Washington thought Iran is just another country in the region, in which U.S. ploys could be implemented such as Syria, Libya and other countries, underlining the “United States is mistaken and this is just a false imagination.”

President Raesi concluded his speech by further advising the West to learn lessons from the failed policies and not make other attempts against Iran.

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