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## Leaders Stand Against Me

### A World That Twists the Truth

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#### **USPA NEWS - Will Speak Harshly in the Voice of Iran**

Beautiful lies for the benefit of stock markets and investors; hidden and painful truths for the people of Iran. Behind the polished narratives lies a ruthless game—a game that keeps a regime afloat which offers nothing but suffering for Iranians and instability for the region. Now, with the formal activation of the Snapback Mechanism, the 30-day countdown has begun. Under the rules of the UN Security Council, Russia and China cannot block the reimposition of sanctions; in this process, the veto power is effectively neutralized. Yet during this 30-day window, we are already witnessing tactical retreats by the E3 and hesitation from the United States—creating space for Ali Khamenei to grow ever more brutal and reckless with his repetitive power games.

My prediction is that within these 30 days, political and diplomatic maneuvers will unfold in such a way that the snapback will not be fully enforced against the Islamic Republic. Instead, it risks once again becoming entangled in backroom deals and the competing interests of global powers. The essential question remains: how much longer must this bitter cycle continue?

#### **Geopolitics, Lithium, and Lake Urmia**

Change the actors, change the directors—stop walking down the same misguided path. The Iranian regime will not remain a mere tactical pawn forever; one day it will act decisively, not strategically.

Are the global powers still performing in the same old play, unaware of the consequences?

Consider Iran's 25-year agreement with China, effectively tying parts of the Persian Gulf to Beijing's influence, and the concession of the Caspian Sea to Russia, only for Moscow to plunge into war in Ukraine. Then there is Lake Urmia in northwestern Iran—a catastrophic environmental collapse that has dried up vast areas, revealing sediment rich in lithium. Scientific studies show that the water contains approximately 12–13 milligrams of lithium per liter (ppm), with higher concentrations in southern sections.

The drying of the lake, combined with these lithium-rich deposits, presents a potential industrial and economic resource—but one harvested at enormous environmental and societal cost.

People are not blind—neither in Iran nor in China. Many Chinese citizens understand the implications of these deals and are aware of the environmental and economic consequences, including why Lake Urmia dried up. They see the dangerous trade-offs being made in the name of short-term survival and profit.

#### **This is not just an environmental tragedy**

It is a geopolitical strategy.

The Iranian regime is sacrificing national resources, environmental stability, and sovereignty, while global powers—through investments, agreements, and industrial exploitation—play along.

Lithium, a critical element for global industries from batteries to electricity, now lies in the very soil of this dried lake, symbolizing both the untapped potential and the cost of political and economic games.

The burden falls not only on Iranians, but also on a world that continues to ignore the long-term consequences of these calculated betrayals.

Superpowers are making a critical miscalculation.

The United States, which historically supported the rise of the Ayatollah regime—most notably through Jimmy Carter's tacit support of Khomeini—now finds itself uncertain of how to act. Decades ago, in failing to support the Shah and misjudging popular movements in 1979, the US helped facilitate the rise of a radical theocratic government that has since reshaped Iranian civilization.

Is this not the first radical, religiously-driven Islamic government in modern history?

Must both the Iranian people suffer and power fall into the hands of Russia and China before global actors recognize the consequences?

Russia has already gained strategic access to warm water ports, and the world is witnessing the long-term implications.

The stakes are clear

#### 1. Energy Security and Trade Routes

China, as the world's largest crude oil importer, relies heavily on Persian Gulf energy supplies. Recent years have seen China's oil imports from PERSIAN Gulf states increase significantly, making the security of the Strait of Hormuz and surrounding maritime routes a national priority. Meanwhile, Russia, facing reduced access to European energy markets post-Ukraine war, seeks new outlets and partnerships with Persian Gulf countries to maintain its economic and energy influence.

#### 2. Access to Warm-Water Ports and Naval Power

Historically, Russia has sought access to warm-water ports that remain ice-free year-round, allowing continuous maritime trade and the projection of naval power.

This strategic goal is evident in Russia's policies in the Black Sea and the Caspian region.

#### 3. Military and Security Cooperation

In recent years, China, Russia, and Iran have conducted joint military exercises in the Persian Gulf and the Sea of Oman, signaling a clear intent to strengthen regional military and security ties.

#### 4. Countering Western Influence

The military and economic presence of China and Russia in the PERSIAN Gulf serves as a counterbalance to Western, particularly American, influence in this strategically vital region.

This ongoing competition may significantly alter the balance of power in the Middle East.

The Iranian regime's survival is now intertwined with these global dynamics. Energy, trade, naval access, and military cooperation are no longer abstract concepts—they are tools for expanding influence and redefining the regional order. The world risks underestimating the consequences if it continues to treat the Iranian government as a temporary tactical pawn rather than a long-term strategic player. The world has made a mockery of itself while the Iranian people suffer. Snapback sanctions—or stock market games? Snapback—or the enrichment of opportunistic profiteers? Snapback—or the fortune of the regime's children through Bitcoin, corruption, and the further plunder of Iran?

The truth is clear: the Snapback mechanism will not be fully enforced. Yet Western powers are making a grave mistake by still focusing on this tool. Instead of closing the embassies of the occupying Ayatollah regime, instead of imposing comprehensive sanctions on all individuals connected to the Islamic Republic, and instead of mobilizing the powerful Iranian diaspora in the West, governments remain tied to repetitive, ineffective measures.

Iran is dying. Its people are trapped in poverty and oppression. And yet, the global focus remains distracted, playing the same repeated games that have accomplished nothing.

Imagine a world where these endless cycles, this continuous warfare, and these failed tactics could end—where humanity could experience a peaceful world together. It is possible—but only the day that people everywhere wake up to the reality, and demand an end to these manipulations.

This text is written solely to endure in history. I am not a journalist. You are free to copy it, quote it, or share it as much as you wish. But the message is clear: the world is failing Iran, and Iran's people are paying the price

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