Iranian Diplomat expelled from Uruguay for Attempted Israeli Embassy Bombing

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Uruguay Police

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This *Breitbart /Ha'aretz* report of an Iranian diplomat attempting a bombing of the Israeli Embassy in Montevideo, Uruguay may be payback for the IAF attack on a convoy in Quneitra, Syria on January 18th. That attack that took out 11 Hezbollah and Iranian commanders, including Jihad Mughniyah Iranian Rev Guards General Muhammad Allahdadi. Mughiniyah's father, Imad, Hezbollah's and Iran's terrorist mastermind was at the top of the FBI's most wanted terrorist list prior to 9/11. He was alleged to have planned the execution of the 1983 Beirut US Embassy, US Marine and French Paratrooper Barracks with hundreds killed and wounded. He was alleged to have killed US Navy diver Robert Stethem aboard TWA Flight 847 diverted from Athens to Beirut in June 1985 whose body was dumped on the tarmac at Beirut Airport. He may have orchestrated the 1992 Israeli Embassy, 1994 AMIA Jewish Center blasts in Buenos Aires. There is suspicion that Maghniyah may have been behind the mid-air blast by an Arab suicide bomber of a Panamanian air commuter flight that killed all 21 passengers and crew, including 12 Jewish businessmen en route from Colon to Panama City the day following the 1994 AMIA bombing. Then there was the June 1996 Khobar Towers truck bombing that took the lives of 19 US AF service personnel and injuring nearly 500 had the fingerprint of a Hezbollah attack perpetrated by Mughniyah. He also figured in the 2011 New York Federal Court 9/11 Iran Links case given evidence from Iranian defectors that Mughniyah was allaged to have been involved in facilitating the travel and training of the 19 perpetrators of 9/11. There are conflicting reports that Mughniyah may have been taken out in a car bombing on February 12, 2008 by a joint CIA Mossad operation. The Montevideo arrest illustrates that the more than three decade secret war between Iran and Israel is still going despite the recent mysterious death of Argentine Jewish prosecutor Alberto Nisman. His death occured on the cusp of Congressional testimony involving a Compliant and arrest warrants alleging that Argentine President Cristina de Fernandez Kirchner and Jewish Foreign Minister had offered to withdraw criminal charges against Iranian officials in exchange for a trade deal that Nisman had evidence were involved in the 1994 AMIA bombing that took 85 lives, perhaps 86 including his own.

Report: Senior Iranian Diplomat Attempted Bombing Of Israeli Embassy In Uruguay

Uruguay has reportedly declared a senior Iranian diplomat *persona non grata* after he was involved in a bomb plot against Israel's embassy in early January, according to senior Israeli officials who told <u>Haaretz</u>.

Uruguayan intelligence found that the man was involved in placing an explosive device outside of the Israeli embassy. After uncovering the plot, the Uruguayan government reportedly contacted the Iranian government, and both sides decided it was best to remove the Iranian diplomat from the country.

On January 8, a partially detonated explosive device was found on the ninth floor of a building in the capital city of Montevideo, on the same floor where the Israeli embassy is located. Uruguayan officials reportedly reached out to Israeli officials regarding the matter, but kept it a low profile matter for reasons that have not been explained.

Israeli officials told *Haaretz* that they believe that the attempted bombing was either a measure seeking to "harm the embassy or explore its security preparedness."

Iran is known to have sophisticated networks in much of South America, through its Iranian Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) and its Hezbollah proxy.

Montevideo is only about 100 miles from Buenos Aires, Argentina, where Iran is believed to be responsible for the 1994 bombing of the Argentina-Israelite Mutual Association (AMIA), which resulted in the deaths of 85 with hundreds more wounded in the terror attack. According to recently deceased prosecutor Alberto Nisman, the Argentinian government conspired to cover up Iran's role in the bombing in exchange for a lucrative oil deal with the Iranian regime.

The Iranian regime is also heavily <u>involved</u> in furthering defense partnerships and trade agreements with South American countries Bolivia and Venezuela.

Iran is believed to be actively engaged in attempting to retaliate for a recent Israeli air strike that neutralized a Hezbollah commander and Iranian General who were stationed in the Golan Heights.