

Trump's death-blow to Iranian regime would be splendid and uplifting

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As this is written, I continue to watch my preferred American news channel in hopes of hearing of the arrival in the Iranian airspace of the US Air Force and Naval Air Force to inaugurate a new and much more promising era in international relations with the final merciful death-blow to the most repulsive regime in the 3000-year history of Persia. To this end, I watched the President's one-hour address to the Detroit Economic Club, in the hope that he might vary the usual agenda with a revelation of his current activities as commander-in-chief in the Middle East. He did not, though he did treat his large and enthusiastic audience and those of us who attended by television to a rollicking political address including his full repertoire of mocking imitations and political haymakers directed with tremendous force and hilarity against the helpless scarred husk the Biden administration, "the controllers of the auto pen", as Trump calls them. It was a lusty and vastly entertaining political interlude that delighted his audience but left us all in a continuing state of curiosity about what comes next in the (much intruded-upon) skies of Iran.



The destruction of Iranian Supreme Leader Ali Khamenei: Let it be. (epa12647305 EPA/MICHAEL BUHOLZER)

The Islamic Republic of Iran is the principal terrorism-sponsoring government of the world and has earned the opprobrium of almost the entire world. It really only retains somewhat normal relations with China as an oil customer and Russia as a weapons supplier. Neither country would lift a finger to assist this ghastly resurrection of medieval bigotry and oppression. The Iranian government has long had a price on the head of President Trump – a cash reward for the murder of the President of the United States. Iran has committed acts of war against many countries.

It is obvious that it is detested by the overwhelming majority of its citizens and the proportions of its political and economic failure these 48 years have been spectacular. These culminated in the trillion-dollar Iranian nuclear military program being vaporised in three minutes by the United States on June 22. Iran has proposed and promised the extermination of the Jewish population of Israel. It has terribly disserved and defamed the Islamic religion by the propagation of genocidal hate and the sponsorship of cold-blooded murder, from cowardly assassinations to advocacy of the destruction of

whole populations.

President Trump certainly has a *casus belli* and he also has the example the infamous example of the dangers of failure to act promptly when mass murder is threatened and the deaths of innocents and long-suffering dissenters are piling up. If those who could have intervened in the killing fields of Pol Pot in Cambodia where 1.3 million people were massacred between 1976 and 1978, or the murder of approximately 600,000 Tutsi in Rwanda in 1994, had done so, the lives of many hundreds of thousands would have been spared. There can be little doubt the Islamic Republic of Iran, especially if armed with nuclear weapons, would commit humanitarian crimes on a scale that could conceivably, given the gruesome enhanced potential of perverted science, exceed the monstrous barbarities of Hitler and Stalin.

It is now almost 4 a.m. in Tehran and there has been no bulletin announcing reprisals against the Islamic Republic, so I shall take the hazardous initiative of predicting what will come on that subject in the next couple of days. I believe that the United States will destroy the barracks of the Revolutionary Guard all around Iran, will probably destroy the central buildings of the defence, interior, and police ministries; will completely destroy the partially reconstructed air defence systems of Iran, and will completely destroy their somewhat replenished stockpile of missiles as well as their launchers. I believe they will also conduct a major cyber intervention and intensive drone attacks to support protesters around Iran in street clashes. I believe the United States will effectively impose a complete sea blockade on Iran, if necessary by mining ports. And I believe the United States will seize the ghost fleet of tankers that carries embargoed oil from Iran to China and other buyers.

As the United Nations has effectively collaborated with terrorists in much of its activities in the Middle East, it has disqualified itself from any role in a post-ayatollahs

reconstruction of the government of Iran. I suspect that this task will have to be delegated to a committee of states, such as Indonesia, Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Jordan, Morocco, the Emirates, Bahrain, and Kuwait; but not Turkey, Pakistan, or Qatar. Some sort of committee set up amongst these countries will be established in a compound in Tehran to coordinate Iran's interactivity with the world and help set up the machinery for an absolutely fair election of a new government, with a mandate to write a new constitution, while the present functionaries continue to direct the basic operations of the state.

Such is the importance of Iran as a source of lawlessness and terror that this development would be the most benign event that had occurred in the world since the end of the Cold War with the disintegration of the Soviet Union in 1991. It is splendid, uplifting, that such a fate is probably immediately in front of us. Though there will be no shortage of people, especially in Europe, failing to recognise this, the world will have Donald Trump to thank for it. The Iranians have already begun this process, naming streets after him and carrying posters through the streets of Tehran and 100 other cities praising him. There are many surprises as the world turns.

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