

IRAN NEXT?

NO WAR, NO WAY!

Myths and Truths about ~~Iraq~~ Iran

~~Iran~~
~~Iraq~~ is on the verge of making nuclear weapons.



TRUTHS

- ★ More than 2,700 person-hours of inspection by the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) have failed to produce any evidence of a nuclear weapons program in Iran.
- ★ Iran is seeking to develop nuclear power capabilities for electricity generation. Although Iran is currently an exporter of oil, its growing population could require Iran to become an importer of oil in just over a decade without some alternative source of electricity.
- ★ A 2005 CIA report determined that it could take ten years for Iran to achieve the level of uranium enrichment needed for weapons capability.

TRUTHS

- ★ Iran has fully cooperated in the last 3 years with the IAEA, and has voluntarily accepted and enforced safeguards well above the Additional Protocol requested by IAEA.
- ★ Iran remains a signatory to the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) and therefore has the right to enrich uranium for a civilian nuclear program as does the U.S.
- ★ Iran has invited Western companies (including American companies) to participate in a consortium to develop Iran's civilian nuclear program for electricity and Iran pledged to accept the Additional Protocol for intrusive IAEA inspections. The U.S. and its allies refused Iran's offer.

~~Iran~~
~~Iraq~~ has not complied with inspections.



Diplomacy is not working with ~~Iraq~~ Iran



TRUTHS

- ★ Washington has refused to participate in talks with Iran. The U.S. outsourced diplomacy with Iran to the European Union and refuses to rule out a "pre-emptive" attack on Iran.
- ★ Instead of sending diplomats, the U.S. sent unmanned drones into Iranian air space to spy on Iranian military installations and to map Iranian radar systems.
- ★ The U.S. has increased its naval presence in the Persian Gulf via aircraft carriers and minesweepers. This action is viewed as hostile by nations in the region.



The U.S. would be justified in waging a pre-emptive war with ~~Iraq~~ **Iran**

TRUTHS

- ★ Any U.S military strike on Iran would be a violation of international law prohibiting preventive or pre-emptive war
- ★ Foreign state interference in Iran violates the UN Charter's guarantee of the right of self-determination (or self protection) for all nations.
- ★ Iran has not invaded or threatened another country for two and half centuries.

TRUTHS

- ★ An attack on Iran would unite Iranians against the U.S. and its allies. Such an attack would destroy any internal reformist movement towards democracy in Iran.
- ★ An attack on Iran would further inflame anti-American sentiment and bolster the recruitment activities of terrorist organizations.

Iran
A military invasion of ~~Iraq~~ would be a defeat for terrorist elements.



TAKE ACTION

Contact your representative and demand that she/he sponsor a “Boland Amendment” for Iran which would preempt any funding for any attack on Iran.



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