

Iran Manufactures Satellite Rockets

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An Iranian legislative official said that a satellite rocket recently made by Iranian scientists will soon have a lift-off.

Chairman of the parliament's National Security and Foreign Policy Commission Alaoddin Boroujerdi made the remarks in a meeting with a group of religious students and clerics in the city of Qom on Monday.

Also during the meeting, he pointed to Iran's nuclear issue and stressed the need for negotiations as the only way to end the problem.

The MP said that the western countries did not think that Iran could acquire the nuclear fuel production cycle, adding, "Now that we are in desirable conditions, we should continue the path so that they can't bully us any more."

He further pointed to Iran's flexibility in dealing with the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) in recent years, and stated, "As a result of the same attitude, the IAEA Director-General Mohammad ElBaradei stressed in his official report that Iran has never diverted from the peaceful to military nuclear programs."

"Western countries sought a minimum ten-year-long suspension of Iran's nuclear activities, which was impossible for us to do because such a thing would bring the country's scientific power to a standstill status and destruction," Boroujerdi continued.

He also reminded that the western countries, specially the US, may not be satisfied with the halt of Iran's nuclear activities, saying, "Even if we did so, they would ask us to dismantle our rockets and destroy our missile systems and capabilities as they are seeking to turn Iran into a defenseless country."

The lawmaker further described the launch of operation by a network of 3000 centrifuges as a factor stabilizing Iran's nuclear capabilities, and underlined, "As soon as the westerners find out that Iran's nuclear capabilities are established, they will be forced to negotiate with us, because they are well aware of the fact that if they intend to pressurize Iran, the Islamic Republic will eventually withdraw from the Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT), and that's what they are afraid of."

"They have the experience of North Korea, where their unilateral pressures led to the production and testing of nuclear bomb by Pyongyang, therefore, they are just seeking to use the UN Security Council resolution as a pressure lever to be used at the time of talks, as we seek the benefit from the country's position, regional conditions and the like for the

same purpose.

"That's why the new UN Secretary General, Europeans, China and Russia in separate messages called for the resumption of talks with the Islamic Republic after the Iranian government announced an imminent installation and launch of operation by the new cascade of centrifuges in reaction to the UNSC Resolution 1737," he explained.

The legislative official also reminded that Britain and the United States have started an extensive war against Iran, and said that they are presently spending billions of dollars to form giant and well-equipped mafia gangs to smuggle drug from Afghanistan into Iran in a bid to corrupt the Iranian youth.

He further pointed out that the increase in the plantation and trafficking of illicit drugs into Iran since the deployment of the US and British troops in Afghanistan is meant to serve the same goal.

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