

Iranian Sunni rebel confesses U.S. role in terror plots inside Iran

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ZAHEDAN, Iran, Aug. 25 (Xinhua) — An Iranian Sunni rebel said on Tuesday the United States had supporting role in launching terror plots inside Iran.

“After meeting with the U.S. officials in the U.S. embassy in Pakistan four years ago, they (the U.S. officials) promised to help us with everything we needed,” Abdolhamid Rigi, the brother of insurgent Jundallah leader Abdolmalek Rigi, told reporters.

On Tuesday, Iran’s government organized a media tour to Zahedan, the capital city of Iran’s southeastern province of Sistan-Balouchestan, where the media attended a confession program of Abdolhamid Rigi.

Some video projection of the crimes that the Rigi group have committed in the province was shown. The media was also taken to the sites where Jundallah group had killed civilians.

“We were deceived by them (the U.S. officials)...We received monetary and armed supports from the United States...We received orders from them” to carry out the terrors inside Iran, Abdolhamid Rigi said.

He said he has killed his wife and stabbed his brother-in-law since his brother Abdolmalek told him that they were cooperating with the Iranian government.

Jundallah, or Peoples Resistant Movement of Iran, is an insurgent Sunni Islamic organization based in Balochistan of Pakistan which claims to fight for the rights of Sunni Muslims in Iran.

The group was founded by and is currently under the command of Abdolmalek Rigi. It claims to have killed 400 Iranian soldiers and many more civilians.

The group has been identified as a terrorist organization by Iran and Pakistan and has been behind numerous acts of terror, kidnapping and smuggling narcotics. Many believe it is linked to al-Qaida.

In May, the group detonated a bomb in a mosque in Zahedan, killing 25 people and wounding many more.

Thirteen members of the group were hung in July in Zahedan city.

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