

Obama Reaffirms Alliance Between U.S. and Israel Against Iran

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HAVANA, Cuba — American President Barack Obama reaffirmed that his country and Israel maintain a close coordination of actions and interests regarding Iran.

“I think the relationship between Israel and the U.S. is sufficiently strong that neither of us try to surprise each other, but we try to coordinate on issues of mutual concern,” Obama told Israel’s Channel 2 News on Wednesday after meeting with Israel’s Prime Minister at the White House, reported Spanish news agency EFE.

“We try to coordinate on issues of mutual concern and that approach is one Prime Minister (Benjamin) Netanyahu is committed to,” Obama said and assured that Tel Aviv will not undertake any actions against the Persian nation behind Washington’s back.

Likewise, he insisted that the White House will not accept the possession of nuclear weapons by the Persian nation and that his administration will do everything they can to prevent that from happening.

“We will continue to keep the door open for a diplomatic resolution of this challenge,” he said, adding that “I assure you I have not taken options off the table,” he pointed out without caring about the threatening nuance of his statements.

On related news, Iran’s Fars news agency reported on Thursday that the electronuclear plant of Bushehr will start operations on September as announced by Ali Akbar Salehi, director of the Atomic Energy Organization of Iran.

The plant, whose construction started in 1976 by the German firm Kraft Work Union at a cost of 778 million German marks, was the first one built under the Iranian nuclear program for peaceful purposes, in the time of the Reza Palevi monarchy.

The facility was destroyed during the Iranian-Iraqi war and later rebuilt with Russia technology.

The atomic energy program is the core of the conflict unleashed by Washington and Tel Aviv against Teheran, on the ground —without evidences— that the Persian nation’s projects have military purposes, an accusation that has been repeatedly denied by Iran.

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