

There is a proverb in the Persian language that can be loosely translated thus:

The road ahead is paved, light is shining, pitfalls are clearly visible, and your eyes are healthy and open / so you may be aware of what lays ahead. Yet you continue to insist on taking the wrong route / then, let you fall and see the fruits of your ignorance.

As a person who knows Iran, its culture and its people, and as an individual who opposes the Iranian regime with every bone in his body, I believe the result of war with Iran may be viewed as short term achievement, but there is a long term effect as well.

Yet there are some, both in Israel and in the US, who think they know my country and my people better than I do.

Well, “let them fall and see the fruits of their ignorance!”

I am tired of trying to help some Israeli and American friends stay alive, live in peace, and raise their children in a “safe” world.

How can anyone help those who do not want to help themselves?

The correct path is not to attack Iran, but to help those of us who have and are confronting this tyrant regime.

Those of us who want to change this government peacefully and with minimal bloodshed.

Those of us who want to gain human dignity that we all deserve.

Those who are sacrificing everything they have, including their lives, to achieve the Democracy and Human Dignity we have struggled so hard for over the past 100 years.

And if they cannot help, they must at least try not to obstruct our attempts at achieving this goal by supporting the Iranian government in an assumption that it opposes imperialism, as some in the American left do.

Their reasons to support people like Ahmadinejad, is no different that the American support for the Shah, in the 50s, Sadaam in the 80s, and Bahrain’s regime today.

Some within Israel and America have compared Iran today to Germany of the 30s.

Comparing Iran to Germany proves a complete lack of historical knowledge and cultural understanding of Iranian people.

It is the same kind of ignorance and arrogance that led to George W. Bush's so-called "Global War on Terror."

And I don't need to remind anyone of the outcome of that campaign.

Let me state, in the interest of history and for the record, that attacking Iran will lead to the destruction of Israel much faster than a nuclear Iran would.

Bombing Iran, by Israel and/or the US, poses a far more serious "existential threat" for Israel than even a nuclear-armed Iran.

Even though my country is surrounded by those who possess nuclear weapons, including Israel, I, like an overwhelming majority of Iranians, do not want Iran to develop Nuclear Weapons.

We don't like it.

We don't need it.

And We don't desire it.

However, like my other countrymen and women, as well as free thinking citizens of this world, I believe that nuclear energy is The Right of every nation and all people.

Remember that Iran is a country that has not aggressed against any neighbors for the past 200 years.

In addition, Iran is the only country in the region that has helped Jewish people all throughout history:

It released them from prisons 2500 years ago, and it accepted them with open arms when they were being destroyed in other countries of the region just few decades ago.

Iran is also among the very first countries that recognized the State of Israel.

How is it then, that now, so conveniently, we have developed such short memory as to not remember any of this?

Well, I think we all know the reason: The disease of short-term memory has infected many, including some within the American left.

Let me state here, for the record, and for future students of history, the results of an attack on Iran, by Israel and/or the US, will:

In the short term,

1. Strengthen the present regime in Tehran. That is why they are doing everything they can to promote such a war.
2. Result in the death of thousands, perhaps millions, of Iranians, Israelis and Americans, as well as others.
3. Destroy regional stability — the little that exist now.
4. Drive the price of oil sky-high.

BUT it will make the richest half percent in the US richer, and it will bring warmongers like Bush back into the office.

In the long term, an attack will:

1. Crush for good any opposition to the Iranian regime inside and outside the country.
2. Raise the number of terrorist attacks against targets in the US, Israel, and around the world.
3. Bring hardline theocratic regimes into power all over the Middle East.
4. Destroy Israel, causing a Jewish massacre far worse than any in history thus far.
5. Reduce American dominance in the region and around the world.

But worst of all, it will cause a much-feared third world war, which none of our children will survive.