

DO SANCTIONS ON IRAN WORKING? SURVIVAL IN MODERN WORLD

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Abstract

“There is no doubt that the United states will not achieve success with this new plot against Iran.” Iran’s President Hassan Rouhani on US new sanctions. My research is composed Iran’s survival in isolation after a hard tension by the west for 40 years. How Iran is going to manage it people through its policies and diplomacy nationally and internationally. In today’s globalized world how, Iran react towards sanctions and focuses on its nuclear weapons production. Relations with Russia as alternate ally after US and supporting of militant groups inside the middle east to extend her regime. Shall different engagements at a time lead Iran into hard situation like in Yemen, Syria, Iraq, supporting Hamas and Hezbollah which are black-listed by the international community. On one side Iran is facing sanctions from the world like import-export shut down, no travelling by sea and air, no foreign transactions, steel and iron industry which the biggest contributing sector in the Iran’s economy is and parallel to these issues Iran is financially and militarily supporting internationally these groups.

Introduction

As US is not happy with the attitude of Iranian political leaders, new sanctions have been imposed on Iran not only in oil and economic sector but also to cease individual’s life to make possible the resolution of current and future issues. Like Iran’s nuclear technology may create trouble for international community as unbalance relations regarding security in the middle east. These sanctions as forty years old on Iran is still normal for the Iran because of medium level of restrictions on tariff and trade. Escalation in these relations boosted when Iran responded on the top commander’s assassination in Iraq when Iran’s supported militant groups attacked on US military base resulted no killings or may be more. These new sanctions will affect the individual’s life and distress the top leadership to make them ready for the resolution of issues.

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How will US sanctions work?

Due to the new layer of sanctions on Iran what is called “maximum pressure”, Iranian currency is increasingly worthless. Trump administration this week announced the hardest sanctions which will put pressure on Iran’s internal policies. When did it start? Sanctions on Iran are not new, 40 years back when US long support monarch of Shah’s regime and completely turned into the trash of coal after the revolutionary performance by the current Shia regime, and hostages the US embassy and its staff. In response US halted billion of assets and declared Iran as a terrorist state, when the Bush administration called the Iran as “axis of the evil”. It was the only start, following more sanctions for human rights abuse and sending billion dollars to the armed groups in the middle east like Hamas in Palestine, Hezbollah in Libya and thirdly, Iran’s nuclear power development and really got worried the US and Israel because Iran had this time tools to build nuclear weapons. In 2003 CIA reported and indicated the structures that there are some facilities for the nuclear bombs development that are not shown to the IAEA. In the result in 2011 US with the UN issued massive economic sanctions on Iran. First, to contain money which is directly flowing towards nuclear facilities and secondly, to pressurize Iran for the diplomatic deal. And that part successfully worked. Irani Foreign Minister Javad Zareef successfully adopted a deal with the P5+1 after a long and tough negotiations in 2015 which called as “the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action or JCPOA.” This time international sanctions on Iran lifted, but there was a lack of trust created by the Israeli Prime Minister Natan-Yahu in his speech in the UN General assembly, “Iran’s rulers promised to destroy my country, murder my people.....”. Soon Donald Trump took a step back by withdrawing from the Iran’s nuclear deal. All the old sanctions were re-adopted, and more than 700 new sanctions were issued on Iranian individuals and companies. Absolutely, the foreign supporting of the armed groups increased like in Yemen, Syria, Iran and Lebanon. Here the question arises: are these sanctions against Iran working? The true picture is that they don’t fight face to face, but they antagonize each other on the soil of Iraq and Levant (Levant here I mean the land of actual Syria or Shaam in the Islamic point of view). How Iran is surviving in that situation when there is no International travel, no foreign transactions, no international trade and so on... as Iran is backing the armed terror groups by joining US rival like Russia and they think that Russia will support in that depraved state of affairs, and this idea is somehow wrong because Russia may only support any country in the arena of strategic deals but cannot do the same in other aspects of daily life. On the other side US has the main weapons of sanctions; an official order... taken against the country in order to make it obey international law that include travel, transactions, trade and the list is too long and the big one is Iran’s oil industry. Entire steel industry, mining coal sector, dozens including individual concerning Iran’s government, banks, insurance and constructions companies, ships and aircrafts. On 11 January on live television, Pompeo and Mnuchin announced the new sanctions speech on Iran’s steel industry following the statement, “17 specific sanctions against Iran largest steel and iron manufactures also the sea vessels who are involved in transferring these products. At the result of these actions we will cut off billions

of dollars and will be continued till further order.” Another shocking ban on Iran’s carpet which is the biggest exports and its dry fruits industry. As US dollar is very strong currency as all the international transactions are made in US dollars so Iran’s currency isn’t all to buy something outside the country. It means these sanctions not only from the side of US but also would affect EU companies doing business with Iran. Due to these banning on exports and restricted trade deals Iran’s economy is attitude of the most isolated economies in the world. The US stance is clear regarding the Iran’s behavior like to stop Iranian regime’s expansion, terrorists’ activities in the middle east and they must commit that they will have never nuclear weapons. The basic US attitude is non-proliferation of nuclear weapons like if Iran gets nuclear weapons there will be an instability in balance of power in the region like Saudi’s monarch will feel unsafe in this regard and definitely Saudi’s will put some middle east issues including Palestine conflict on the stake by signing some secret agreements with Israel to get nuclear weapons against Iran which is a real rival for the Al-Saud regime. US will and must do at that time to generate balance of power in the nuclear run between the two rivals.

As these new layers of sanctions by the Trump administration is the result of the Iranian attacks on the US military bases in Iraq. This retaliation will put pressure on their government directly and her peoples indirectly, like as Iran is facing these sanctions for 40 years but new restriction will be hard than previous days that Iran will come towards the line of agreement diplomatically with the Trump and secondly, Iran will increase the price rates of the products inside the Iran for its citizens so that they will fight for the survival during these sanctions. And Irani peoples are fed up of these high prices like during previous days the response of the people against their government which resulted hundreds of killing in Iran.

Conclusion

Some experts express that Iran is a close ally with US traditional rival Russia, and they can do trade with Russia in the some fields like buying of aircraft engines, selling of Iranian steel and iron to the Russia but if we study Russian policy and current situation going on in the Syria and Yemen, Russia can give only military support to the interested countries, after-all Russia did not openly criticized the assassination of General Soleimani. On the other hand, China is not over riding US sanctions because China has deep market roots in USA and **in the war of survival no one need hypersonic missiles but to provide food and security, security in means of health and education**. Because when a country has no foreign transactions, no food imports or you may consider that when you completely isolate yourself from the world when there is no internet facility, no technology for its students to do research, no phone calls from foreign countries, when you cannot see applications on your phone store, no import or export and you see people outside are enjoying with full commodities and modern life style with having travelling internationally and enjoy the internationalism, absolutely you will revolt towards your leaders. So, if Iran is motivating its people by using religion as basic values, no one will gain cent percent

results but will face difficulties, like isolationism is not the god which will make you a hero. Nationalism, charismatic propaganda is on the peak, but it has limited time period. Iran must act rationally like before the Khamnaye revolution, because Irani culture, language and education has deep and affective image. They can use their culture, their way of living standard and their good conduct of attitude like their grandfathers did, agriculture products and poetry in the Farsi language has good impact on the South Asian and some middle eastern countries. The Irani political leaders shows good diplomatic attitude towards foreign issues as seen in JCPOA nuclear deal, but some technical issues have been created by the supreme bureaucratic offices by putting the individual in dark. It will lead the Iran towards worst situation if they not involve their “Islamic Consultative Assembly” in this regard. Because the selected members have some authority to discuss these types of issues for the sake of their citizens, not for the self-interest of an individual leader.

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