

Obama And The Iranian Protesters

As usual, the “mainstream media” in the United States fails to properly report on the story of Iranian protests. As usual, AtlasShrugs.com remains the best source of information.

To those of you who are uncertain of the “motives” of the protesters, I can assure you they are people who long for freedom. Yes, most are Muslim, although some are no doubt Christians. But the question of their religion is irrelevant. All people everywhere deserve freedom, and none deserve to be beaten and murdered by their own government.

I have known many Iranians who fled to the United States. They consider the American people their friends. Iran is one of the most advanced and modern nations in the Middle East. Its problem is its rulers, not its people. Yes, there are ignorant Iranian farmers who voted for Ahmadinejad in exchange for free potatoes... but there are ignorant Americans who voted for Obama in exchange for free strep throat tests. Do not deny freedom for all because some people are ignorant. The solution—in all countries—is to inform the ignorant, not pretend to appease them while forcefully controlling them.

Obama's lack of action in defense of the protesters is shameful. But that is not surprising. Shamelessness is, after all, the main character trait of the thug-in-chief. (Read *The Obama Timeline* and you will agree.) There are countless actions the administration can take, both overt and covert, to help bring down the brutal Ahmadinejad/Ayatollah regime. But Obama has chosen to do nothing to support people who desire freedom... people who would be friends of the United States.

Instead, Obama sucks up to the “Supreme Leader” and Ahmadinejad in a naive belief that he can use his charms to persuade him to give up his nuclear ambitions. Why? It is all an act. Obama *wants* Iran to have nuclear weapons—to use as a bargaining chip against Israel. With a nuclear Iran, Obama can more easily force Israel to redraw its borders to accommodate Palestinian demands, to allow a Palestinian state, and allow Palestinian emigration into Israel—a population time bomb certain to destroy Israel from within.

Obama's goal is not to make the Middle East nuclear-free; his goal is to make the Middle East Israel-free. Throughout his entire life he was infused with pro-Islam philosophies and anti-Semitic hatred. His life has been full of Israel-haters. His administration is full of them as well. Do not believe Obama never listened to Reverend Jeremiah Wright or Louis Farrakhan and the many other hate-mongers he has been surrounded by. He not only listened, he took notes.

I know Iranians well. They have every reason to hate Americans, from Jimmy Carter's ineptness in the 1970s, to our support of Saddam Hussein during the

Iran-Iraq war, to Obama's cozying up to Ahmadinejad. But despite those justifiable reasons to hate Americans, *they do not*. They understand more than most that a nation's ruler is not necessarily representative of its people.

Regrettably, there is little Americans can do to help the Iranian people directly. Yes, we Americans can vote our thugs out of office peacefully in 2010 and 2012, while the Iranians shed their blood to try to rid themselves of their thugs. That can help the Iranian people, but only in the long run. In the meantime, we can contact our Congressmen and Senators and demand that they force Obama to change his stripes—unlikely as that possibility may be.

And we can pray for those Iranians who are fighting for the liberties that many Americans seem willing to give up without a fight...

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