

# Iran Encircled: Two US Congressional Resolutions, One World War

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*"Every war when it comes, or before it comes, is represented not as a war but as an act of self-defense against a homicidal maniac." – George Orwell*

On July 22nd a House Resolution was proposed by 47 US Representatives – led by Rep. Louis Buller Gohmert, Republican Representative from Texas's 1st congressional district; House Resolution 1553.

The resolution's main proposal reads as follows:

"Expressing support for the State of Israel's right to defend Israeli sovereignty, to protect the lives and safety of the Israeli people, and to use all means necessary to confront and eliminate nuclear threats posed by the Islamic Republic of Iran, including the use of military force if no other peaceful solution can be found within reasonable time to protect against such an immediate and existential threat to the State of Israel."

Here are the decisive points found in the resolution which has since been referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs:

Whereas the United States does not want or seek war with Iran, but it will continue to keep all options open –

1. Condemnation of Iran based "for its threats of annihilating the United States and the State of Israel"
2. Support of using "all means of persuading the Government of Iran to stop building and acquiring nuclear weapons."
3. Reaffirming the United States' unshakable bond with Israel.
4. Expresses support for Israel's right to use "all means necessary to confront and eliminate nuclear threats posed by Iran"

## Iran and Nuclear Weapons

The United States and Israel have been accusing Iran of having nuclear weapons long before 2010 – In 2007 Mohamed El Baradei, who was then leading the International Atomic Energy Agency vehemently contended that not only was there no evidence that Iran had nuclear material but that there was no active weaponization program.

That same year The National Intelligence Council, a center of strategic thinking within the US Government which provides the President of the United States and senior policymakers with analyses of foreign policy issues has stated, clearly that "...with moderate-to-high confidence...Iran does not currently have a nuclear weapon."

On February 27th, 2010 Russia's Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov, while speaking against sanctioning Iran, stated that "There is no evidence that Iran has made a decision to produce nuclear weapons"

Ironically Israel, the largest finger-pointer and promoter of a war on Iran, is one of three states - including India and Pakistan - which has declined to sign the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT); The three main pillars of the NPT are non-proliferation, disarmament, and the right to peacefully use nuclear technology. India and Pakistan are confirmed nuclear powers, and Israel has a long-standing policy of "deliberate ambiguity".

The NPT was ratified by the United Kingdom, the Soviet Union, the United States, and 40 other signatory states. Iran is one of the signatories.

The resolution presented by Rep. Gohmert along with 46 other US representatives is brief and fairly vague in terms of providing a time-table for finding a 'peaceful solution' but it is certain that Resolution 1553 is flagrantly providing explicit support for military strikes against Iran.

Rep. Louis Buller Gohmert of Texas is leading this nefarious proposition and this is one of the most important facts concerning Resolution 1553.

Rep. Gohmert has taken at least two trips to Tel Aviv, Israel both of which were sponsored by The American Israel Education Foundation - a "supporting organization" of the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC) which provides grant monies to educate opinion leaders about the U.S.-Israel relationship.

From 8/5/2007 to 8/12/2007 Rep. Louis Buller Gohmert and his wife Kathy Gohmert traveled to Tel Aviv on a budget of \$21,449.26 in order to attend the American Israel Education Foundation Republican congressional mission to Israel.

Most recently, 8/1/2009 to 8/9/2009, Gohmert and wife Kathy Gohmert traveled to Tel Aviv on a budget of \$19,303.74 in order to "learn more about the U.S.-Israel relationship"

As of late, Gohmert defended and attempted to rationalize Israel's attack on the Gaza Flotilla headed to the besieged strip wherein 8 Turkish nationals and an American, Furkan Dogan, were slaughtered by members of the Israeli Occupation Forces in international waters.

Resolution 1553 is damning on its own but along with an earlier proposition mandating uniformed and civilian services during times of war it is lethal.

H.R. 5741, cited as the 'Universal National Service Act'; proposed by Congressman Charles Rangel, a Democrat from New York, on July 15th, 2010 to the US House of Representatives:

To require all persons in the United States between the ages of 18 and 42 to perform national service, either as a member of the uniformed services or in civilian service in

furtherance of the national defense and homeland security, to authorize the induction of persons in the uniformed services during wartime to meet end-strength requirements of the uniformed services, and for other purposes.

On July 15th the 'Universal Service Act' is introduced to the US House of Representatives and only 7 days later House Resolution 1553, which blatantly supports a military strike against Iran, is proposed.

Michael Hayden, Former CIA director under President George W. Bush, says military action against Iran is more likely; Both Israeli and U.S. officials have said military action remains an option if sanctions "fail to deter Iran". Another verifiable truth is that a majority of Americans support an Israeli strike against Iran, according to TechnoMetrica Market Intelligence; At least 56 percent of Americans approved of a military strike.

We have our target and we now have our army.

We are now witnessing the legalization and industrialization of another war, one which will set the entire region ablaze.

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