

Iran: Watch out for the emerging rhetoric of pre-war fabrications that serve to legitimate violence at a later stage

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With the recent resolution by IAEA, the International Atomic Energy Agency, the West's conflict with Iran is slowly but surely building up.

Iran is a signatory state to the Non-Proliferation Treaty, NPT, and is technically unable – should its leaders so wish – to produce a nuclear bomb within years. No one in the West has been able to produce evidence that Iran plans to produce nuclear weapons.

Remember, Israel, India and Pakistan – “friends” of the West – possess nuclear weapons and are non-signatories to the NPT. They are not singled out.

The nuclear weapon states are not required to undergo IAEA inspection, and they don't bother about their NPT obligation to disarm; but they require others to accept inspection and to abstain from acquiring what they themselves cannot imagine to live without.

Iran is now singled out as a culprit. Perhaps to force it out of the NPT so it will look like a really bad guy in the future? Perhaps to install the weapon of mass destruction called economic sanctions – like in Iraq where such sanctions killed between one-half and one million fellow human beings? To justify bombing Iran and killing innocent civilians?

Watch out for the emerging rhetoric of pre-war fabrications that serve only to legitimate violence at a later stage!

Watch out for media reports that look only at “our” side but never ask what the world look like for the Iranians!

Watch out for the “trick” being played on you: that weapons being acquired by new countries (proliferation) is the only problem whereas the nuclear states with their doctrines for nuclear wars are not!

Watch out when the situation begins to look like it did before the wars began on Serbia, Afghanistan and Iraq!

In summary:

When it comes to Iran – watch out for what looks like a war-in-the-making. One day the

powerful people will have painted themselves into the corner with their bullying and threats – and tell us that war is the only option. It never is.

Background to Iran – including Iranian viewpoints – facts, commentaries, analyses, news items, basic documents, critique...a selection made for those who look deeper.

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