

## Leaked document: Israel Defense Minister Ehud Barak tells US to attack Iran, N. Korea

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The New York Times published a number of documents from a planned Wikileaks release on Sunday evening, including one regarding Defense Minister Ehud Barak's views on the peace process and Iran's nuclear ambitions.

The document, dated June 2, 2009 and sent from the American Embassy in Tel Aviv, details Barak's visit with a two Congressional delegations. It quotes Barak as saying that "'no option should be removed from the table' when confronting Iran and North Korea."

"Barak asked rhetorically how a lack of firm response to North Korea would be interpreted by Iran's leadership, speculating the US government would be viewed as a 'paper tiger'," the diplomatic cable reads.

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