

## Netanyahu Sidelined As UK Re-Opens British Embassy in Teheran

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Binyamin Netanyahu has been left sidelined as UK re-opens its embassy in Teheran in anticipation of renewed diplomatic and commercial ties between these two major world economies and as European firms race for Iranian oil projects worth up to \$185 billion.

In the meantime, however, the Israeli government, with zero oil and dependent on imports, has instructed AIPAC, its foreign affairs agency in Washington, to make every effort – including the spending of \$20million – to try to persuade members of the American House of Representatives to overturn the agreed deal between the five permanent members of the UN Security Council plus Germany, with Iran.

Failing which, the Israeli state is prepared to use all means at its disposal to get a future Republican White House to break the long worked-for deal in a deliberate strategy to foment a regional war with Iran in which it hopes to persuade the United States to deploy, on its behalf, thousands of American troops.

Apart from a potentially huge loss of life, such a war on behalf of an oil-deficient, nuclear Israel against a non-nuclear, oil-rich Iran would lead to the destabilisation of the entire Middle East and the Gulf with catastrophic consequences for the rest of the world. Such a scenario must be prevented at all costs by putting Mr Netanyahu firmly back in his box and screwing down the lid, tight.

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