

Trump Regime Wants 84 Million Iranians Ill-Nourished and Starved

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Trump regime hardliners want imports of food, medicines, medical equipment, and other humanitarian goods blocked from entering Iran.

They want the world community going along with a high crime against humanity on the Iranian people.

They want them denied treatment for serious illnesses, wanting thousands to suffer and die.

They want them starved to death from lack of access to food and other humanitarian imports.

Nations supplying essentials to life, health, and welfare to Iran are threatened with secondary sanctions — a euphemism for wanting international trade to the country illegally blocked.

The US Constitution's 8th Amendment prohibits "cruel and unusual punishments."

In 1992, the US ratified the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR) and International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ICESCR).

It's also a signatory to the UN General Assembly's adopted Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

ICCPR and ICESCR are binding international and constitutional law.

Despite being legally bound to observe the principles of these laws to the letter, the US grievously, consistently, and repeatedly breaches them at home and worldwide more than any other UN member state.

It's responsible for more deaths, destruction, and human misery over a longer duration than any other nation in world history — bar none.

The US Supreme Court time and again upheld the ban on cruel and unusual punishment in all forms, including the right of prisoners to humane treatment (*Estelle v. Gamble*, 1976).

Since its 1979 revolution, ending a generation of US imposed fascist tyranny, Washington has been at war with Iran by other means.

Its unlawful actions are all about wanting the Islamic Republic returned to US client state status — its sovereign rights abolished, its resources plundered, the people exploited like

serfs, Israel's main regional rival state neutralized, despite threatening no one.

In pursuing its hostile objectives, the Trump regime has gone way beyond where its predecessors went by imposing prohibited cruel and unusual punishments on all Iranians.

Its latest unlawful action aims to starve them to death. On June 8, Iranophobe hardliner Pompeo said the following:

"Today, sanctions against the Islamic Republic of Iran Shipping Lines (IRISL) and its Shanghai-based subsidiary, E-Sail Shipping Company Ltd (E-Sail) have come into effect," adding:

"(A)ny government, entity, or individual that chooses to continue doing business with IRISL and/or E-Sail now risks exposure to US (secondary) sanctions."

Unilaterally imposed sanctions by nations against others constitute a UN Charter breach.

Authority to take this action is afforded exclusively to Security Council members, not individual or groups of nations on their own.

US sanctions on Iran have nothing to do with regional peace, stability, security, and the rule of law, nothing to do with targeting alleged illegal or improper Iranian actions — Trump regime accusations against the country invented, not real.

They're mainly directed against its people, including the Trump regime's latest action — wanting maximum cruel and unusual punishment imposed on them, a flagrant breach of international and US constitutional law, under its Supremacy Clause.

Unacceptable Trump regime actions against Iran are built on a foundation of bald-faced Big Lies and deception.

The Islamic Republic is the leading proponent of regional peace and stability.

From inception to today, its legitimate nuclear program has no military component, no evidence of seeking one — confirmed in annual US intelligence community assessments of possible global threats.

Iran poses no threats to other nations — regionally or elsewhere. Its ruling authorities observe international law and agreements like the JCPOA.

Its involvement in Iraq, Syria, and elsewhere are all about combatting (US supported) terrorism, not proliferating it — polar opposite how Washington, NATO, Israel, and their imperial allies operate, breaching international law in pursuit of their diabolical aims.

On Tuesday, Iran's Press TV headlined the following:

"US enforces sanctions on Iran's shipping network expected to hinder imports of food, medical supplies," saying:

Lawless Trump regime policy "comes at a time when the country is fighting to contain a

deadly coronavirus outbreak,” adding:

“(T)he US Treasury Department’s website says (new) sanctions also apply to ‘agricultural commodities, food, medicine or medical devices,’ threatening anyone who engages in humanitarian transactions” with Tehran.

In 2018, the International Court of Justice (ICJ) ruled against the Trump regime for breaching the 1955 US-Iran Treaty of Amity, Economic Relations, and Consular Rights.

It prohibits imposition of restrictions or prohibitions of Iranian imports or exports except for specifically banned items.

The agreement notably prohibits restrictions or prohibitions of imports or exports of humanitarian goods to include food, medicines, medical equipment, and whatever else relates to the health and well-being of the Iranian people.

The ICJ’s ruling against specific Trump regime sanctions on Iran was ignored.

It’s long past time for the world community to reject US war on humanity that’s all about advancing its imperium no matter the human cost.

Russia and China slammed unlawful Trump regime actions against Iran.

Sergey Lavrov called them “irresponsible (and) absolutely unacceptable.”

Russian Deputy Foreign Minister Sergey Ryabkov said Trump regime actions against Iran breached Security Council Resolution 2231, affirming the JCPOA, making it binding international law, adding:

“(I)f these actions are continued, it will inevitably lead to a serious crisis of the UN Security Council and undermine its authority.”

On Wednesday, Iranian Foreign Ministry spokesman Abbas Mousavi slammed the latest unlawful Trump regime action, saying:

“Iran will not surrender with such sanctions and pressures.”

“Sanctions that are being announced by American officials are (as unlawful) as previous ones.”

If increasing numbers of world community nations no longer observe illegal US actions on Iran and other countries, Washington will be transformed into a paper tiger.

It would be a major step in the pursuit of world peace and stability over endless US-led wars of aggression against nations threatening no one.

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