

## National Inter-Agency Task Force on Iran

# Preventing a Nuclear Iran: Information and Resources Toolkit

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Recognizing the growing sense of urgency as Iran races toward nuclear weapons capability, the Conference of Presidents convened the Inter-Agency Task Force on Iran, to develop a coordinated approach that would maximize cooperation and utilization of resources.

We are grateful to all of our member national agencies that have contributed so much and worked diligently and intensively over the past months. We especially note the co-conveners of the Task Force: the Jewish Council for Public Affairs, the United Jewish Communities and NCSJ: Advocates on behalf of Jews in Russia, Ukraine, the Baltic States and Eurasia, who, along with the national member organizations, made possible the development of the full-scale advocacy mobilization to raise awareness about the urgency of preventing Iran from acquiring nuclear weapons. We thank the organizations who prepared the materials enclosed and others who have helped to implement these initiatives.

The following information and resources have been compiled to help address the issues and concerns about a nuclear Iran and provide action items on both a communal and national level.

The toolkit contents include:

- Backgrounders for Advocacy
- Legislative Initiatives
- Action Items
- Stand for Freedom in Iran Mission Statement
- Additional Resources

For further information, go to:

- Conference of Presidents, [www.conferenceofpresidents.org](http://www.conferenceofpresidents.org)
- United Against a Nuclear Iran (UANI), [www.unitedagainstnucleariran.com](http://www.unitedagainstnucleariran.com)
- UJC/JCPA Israel Advocacy Initiative at <http://www.israeladvocacyinitiative.org>
- Member organizations' web sites whose material is enclosed
- Additional Web links included in the Resources section of this toolkit

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# Backgrounder I

## The Iranian Nuclear Threat

*Prepared by the Anti-Defamation League*

### A threat to America and American interests

- A nuclear-armed Iran poses a threat to America's closest allies in the Middle East. Beyond Israel, this list includes the Egypt, Saudi Arabia, UAE, Bahrain, and others.
- Iran has provided material and financial support to anti-U.S. forces in Iraq. According to U.S. State Department, Iran is already a major proliferator of conventional weapons and has exported rocket and missile technology to terrorist groups like Hezbollah and Hamas. If Iran were to acquire a nuclear arsenal, there is a threat that Tehran could then export its nuclear knowledge, technology, and material to irresponsible state and non-state actors alike.
- Iran already has a conventional weapons capability to hit U.S. and allied troops stationed in the Middle East and part of Europe. If Tehran were allowed to develop nuclear weapons, this threat would increase dramatically.
- A nuclear-armed Iran would likely spark a nuclear arms race in the Middle East that would further destabilize this volatile and vital region, undermining the international Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty.
- Iran is one of the world's leading state sponsors of terrorism through its financial and operational support for groups such as Hamas, Hezbollah and others. Iran could potentially share its nuclear technology and know-how with extremist groups hostile to the United States and the West.
- While Iranian missiles can't yet reach America, Iran having a nuclear weapons capability can potentially directly threaten the United States and its inhabitants. Many analysts are concerned about the possibility of a nuclear weapon arriving in a cargo container at a major US port or the threat posed by a nuclear warhead launched off the US coast and detonated high above American air space.

### How we know Iran is developing nuclear weapons

- Iran kept its nuclear program secret for 17 years even though international assistance would have been available to a civilian program.
- Since 2002, when Iran's covert program was exposed, the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) has reported on Iranian technical documents that concern warhead design, production of a uranium core for nuclear weapons, adaptation of missiles to carry nuclear warheads, missile warhead detonation at 1800 feet of altitude (which only makes sense for a nuclear weapon), and underground nuclear test silos.

- The November 2007 U.S. National Intelligence Estimate (NIE) on *Iran: Nuclear Intentions and Capabilities* confirmed the existence of a covert Iranian program to develop nuclear weapons and missiles to deliver them.
- While the NIE was widely misinterpreted as claiming that Iran ended its nuclear weapons program, it only claimed that nuclear warhead design was put on hold in 2003, while all other development was continuing.

### **The Iranian regime**

- Since the revolution in 1979, Iran has been run by a Shia Islamist regime, which has violently suppressed internal dissent. Both President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, who was initially elected in 2005, and Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, the country's powerful Supreme Leader, are uncompromising hardliners.
- Iran is the world's number-one state sponsor of terrorism, and has provided financial support and training for organizations such as Hamas, Hezbollah, Islamic Jihad, and anti-U.S. insurgents in Iraq.
- The Iranian regime persecutes members of a wide range of minorities, social, and religious groups, including Christians, Bahais, homosexuals, women, labor activists, and student groups.
  - Under Iran's strict apostasy laws, conversion to Christianity is a crime punishable by death.
  - Homosexuality is illegal in Iran, and gay sex is considered a capital crime.
  - The Iranian government is escalating its attacks against women's rights activists
- After the disputed 2009 Iranian presidential elections, the government's security forces cracked down on peaceful demonstrations throughout the country, leading to the deaths of at least 20 and the arrest of more than 1,000 people.
- Iran's regime regularly calls Israel's demise, propagates anti-Semitism and denies the Holocaust.

## Backgrounder II

*Prepared by the Jewish Council For Public Affairs*

Urgent efforts are required by the United States and the international community to prevent the Iranian regime from acquiring a nuclear weapons capability. President Obama has asserted that Iran's acquisition of a nuclear arms capacity is "unacceptable." The administration and the U.S. Congress, on both sides of the aisle, have demonstrated full recognition that this would pose a grave threat to fundamental U.S. national security interests and to world peace.

A nuclear-armed Iran would:

- Destabilize an already volatile Middle East and stimulate a nuclear arms race in the region;
- Create a very real risk that nuclear weapons technology might be shared with Al Qaeda, Hezbollah, Hamas and other extremist organizations with a long history of launching devastating terrorist attacks against targets in the United States, Western Europe, the Middle East and South America;
- Endanger the security of our allies in the region, particularly Israel, which has been threatened by Iranian leaders with annihilation, as well as moderate Sunni Arab nations, which have made their concerns known; and
- Undermine efforts to achieve Middle East peace, as an emboldened Iran would seek to strengthen rejectionist forces among the Palestinians and the wider Arab world and would make it less likely that moderate Arab regimes would seek to advance reconciliation with Israel.

### **Call to Action**

- Urge the U.S. Administration to lead a concerted and robust international effort, utilizing a combination of strong diplomatic and economic measures, to persuade Tehran to fully cooperate with the International Atomic Energy Agency and to desist from its nuclear weapons initiative.
- Urge Congress to adopt new legislation expeditiously – including the Iran Refined Petroleum Sanctions Act (IRPSA), the Iran Sanctions Enabling Act and other related bills – and we encourage the administration to take full advantage of these additional tools in order to advance the international effort.

There is no way to know for sure when Iran might cross the nuclear arms threshold, but we do know that the time to stop it from happening is rapidly running out.

We take very seriously the danger posed by a head of a government who says he wants to destroy Israel and who says the Holocaust did not occur. A government that has so little regard for human life, truth, and human rights as this one must not be entrusted to possess the most powerful weapons in the world.

## Backgrounder III

### **False Linkage to the Palestinian-Israeli Conflict**

*Prepared by the World Jewish Congress*

There is no linkage between the Palestinian-Israeli conflict and the Iranian determination to achieve nuclear capability, regional supremacy and Tehran's stated determination to destroy Israel.

- The Arab Israeli dispute pre-dated the Iranian nuclear crisis, and the conflict will likely continue regardless of what happens on the Iranian issue. The Palestinian Authority continues to categorically refuse to recognize Israel as a Jewish state in any borders today, as the Arab and Palestinian leadership refused in 1947 following the UN Partition Plan, with no consideration of Iran.
- The Iranian regime's interests and stated declarations have been driven by a religious and ideological commitment to destroy the Jewish state.
- The Iranian regime rejects the very notion of a U.S.- and Israeli-backed Palestinian state in the West Bank and Gaza and is working through its local proxy terror groups to subvert the West Bank as they did Gaza.
- Any near-term territorial concessions Israel would be pressured to make in the West Bank would be exploited by Iranian proxies Hamas, Palestinian Islamic Jihad, Al Aksa Martyrs Brigades and cooperative Al Qaeda- inspired cells to transform the area into a second *Hamastan* as transpired in Gaza when the Israel withdrew its civilians and defense forces in September 2005.

## Backgrounder IV

*Adapted from The Israel Project*

The points below can be used to help explain why Iran's quest for nuclear weapons poses an immediate and grave threat to the world.

1. **A "step-by-step" approach.**

As the nuclear threat advances, adopt an incremental approach to increasing the pressure on Iran.

2. **Keeping Iran non-nuclear is a *global* interest.**

The *whole world* benefits from halting Iran's ability to strike with nuclear weapons. The issue is not just protecting Israel. *Arab nations* also will be threatened by a nuclear Iran and strongly oppose Iran's nuclear aspirations.

3. **A policy of *prevention* can be tied into past experiences across the globe.**

Real, memorable examples of situations in which prevention made a difference validate and add credibility for this approach to Iran. For example, sanctions imposed by the United States against Libya helped end its weapons of mass destruction program. International and economic isolation as well as sanctions helped bring about the end of apartheid in South Africa. In both of these cases, non-violent methods were used to effect change.

4. **Iran's aggressive behavior.**

Examples of the Iranian regime's actions, particularly from the recent Iranian elections, underscore the violent and aggressive nature of the regime. The Iranian regime also denies basic freedoms to Iran's citizens, including freedom of speech, freedom of assembly, freedom of religion, and freedom of the press. The rights of women, workers, homosexuals, juveniles, religious and ethnic minorities, and political opposition are brutally suppressed.

5. **The impact of economic sanctions on Iran's economy.**

Economic sanctions have retarded Iran's economic growth, limited trade and discouraged foreign investment. U.S. and U.N. economic sanctions have denied Iran access to international markets and capital. Iran's large state-owned banks have had their profits curtailed as the U.S. Treasury has banned dealings with several Iranian banks, which has forced the Iranian government to recapitalize banks and forced many businesses to steer clear of Iran. Sanctions have also limited Iran's ability to improve its oil sector. Iran's fields are old and its installations are badly damaged. New exploration has been virtually non-existent since 1979.

## Legislative Initiatives

*Prepared by AIPAC and UANI*

### United Nations

Since December 2006, the UN Security Council has unanimously passed three resolutions imposing sanctions on Iran.

- **Resolution 1737** imposed sanctions against Iran for failing to stop its uranium enrichment program. It banned the supply of nuclear-related technology and froze the financial assets of key individuals and companies supporting its proliferation of sensitive nuclear activities or the development of nuclear-weapon delivery systems.
- **Resolution 1747** widened the scope of the UN's previous sanctions by banning Iran's arms exports and freezing the assets and restricting the travel of additional individuals engaged in the nuclear program.
- **Resolution 1803** required Iran to cease and desist from any and all uranium enrichment and also required Iran to stop any research and development associated with centrifuges and uranium enrichment.

### United States

#### Iran Refined Petroleum Sanctions Act

- This **Iran Refined Petroleum Sanctions Act** (IRPSA) was introduced in the House by House Foreign Affairs Committee Chairman Howard Berman (D-CA) and Ranking Member Ileana Ros-Lehtinen (R-FL) and in the Senate by a group of 27 senators.
- This legislation would reinforce American diplomatic efforts with Iran with the threat of tougher sanctions if Iran rejects U.S. overtures and continues to enrich uranium in defiance of the international community.
  - The IRPSA would severely limit Iran's ability to import and produce refined petroleum products, such as gasoline and diesel used in vehicles. The bill would strengthen the president's authority to impose sanctions on companies providing refined petroleum to Iran or helping Iran expand its own refining capacity. Shipping companies that transport refined petroleum to Iran and their insurers are also targeted by the legislation.
- Tehran imports nearly 40 percent of its gas and diesel needs. By limiting Iran's ability to import and produce refined petroleum products by imposing sanctions on companies helping Iran in these areas, this act could have a dramatic effect on Iran's economy.

#### Iran Sanctions Enabling Act

- The **Iran Sanctions Enabling Act of 2009** is cosponsored in the House by Representatives Barney Frank (D-MA) and Mark Kirk (R-IL). The Senate bill was introduced by Senators Sam Brownback (R-KS) and Robert Casey (D-PA).

- This act authorizes state and local governments to divest the assets of their pension funds or other investment funds under their control from companies known to be assisting Iran's energy sector, and protects fund managers who divest from such companies from potential lawsuits.
- Under U.S. law, pursuant to the Iran Sanctions Act of 1996, all U.S. and foreign companies that have invested more than \$20 million in Iran's energy sector in any given year since August 5, 1996, are liable to be sanctioned. It is, therefore, fiducially responsible to divest from these companies and invest in similar companies not liable for sanctions. The number of sanctionable companies is less than 20, and all are foreign.
- Legislation in a number of states has required state pension funds to review their investment portfolios to determine their direct holdings in companies investing in Iran's energy sector, and then to contact such companies in writing. If the companies do not commit to stop business in Iran, they will be divested from within a limited span of time. These laws are focused on Iran's energy sector because the revenue from Iran's oil and gas industry directly funds its nuclear program as well as its support for international terrorism. Additionally, the number of companies from which these states are asked to divest from is quite limited.
  - States with divestment laws are **Arizona, California, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Louisiana, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Nevada, New Jersey, and Utah.**
  - States with divestment policies are **Colorado, Missouri, New York, Ohio, Texas, and Washington.**

#### **Iran Diplomatic Enhancement Act**

- The **Iran Diplomatic Enhancement Act** was introduced by Representatives Mark Kirk (R-IL) and Brad Sherman (D-CA).
- The act seeks to back American efforts to engage with Iran by expanding the threat of economic sanctions to limit Iran's ability to import and produce refined petroleum.
- The act would require the President to impose two or more sanctions from a menu of penalties to any person or entity "engaged in an activity, including production, brokerage, insurance, and tanker delivery services, that could contribute to Iran's ability to import refined petroleum resources."

#### **Iran Business Certification Act**

- United Against Nuclear Iran (UANI) called on Congress to introduce legislation to ensure that U.S. taxpayer dollars are not paid to companies doing business with Iran. Under the terms of the "**Iran Business Certification Act**" (the "IBC Act"), any firm or business receiving federal taxpayer funds such as by stimulus spending, bailout support or government contracting will be required to certify that they are not engaged in any business with Iran.
- UANI also will work with companies to ensure that they voluntarily declare themselves to be free of Iranian business by executing the following pledge for publication in the Iran Business Registry.

## Action Items

### Iran Community-Based Activism Checklist

*Prepared by the JCPA/UJC Israel Advocacy Initiative*

Preventing Iran from acquiring nuclear arms capability is a priority of all who seek a more peaceful world. Our objective is to fill the public square with diverse voices, reflecting a broad range of political, ethnic and religious perspectives, urging the Obama Administration to lead an urgent international effort, using strong diplomatic and economic measures, to change Teheran's policies in this arena. While your participation in today's Advocacy Day is greatly appreciated, we urge you to remain engaged when you return home. Please consider:

- Meeting with officials at the local and state levels and Consuls General of key foreign governments to showcase the importance of this urgent issue
- Sending communications to President Obama and Secretary of State Hillary Clinton raising concerns about this international crisis, and to United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon calling on Iran to adhere to UN resolutions
- Engaging editorial boards of newspapers and encouraging editorial comment; crafting op-ed pieces and letters in the Anglo-Jewish and the general press; monitoring and participating in all media including radio talk shows, TV, billboards, blogs, online petitions, etc.
- Supporting economic initiatives, including divestment, which can bring pressure to bear on the Tehran regime
- Participating in a local demonstration and/or program raising awareness on this issue
- Identifying and utilizing prominent Jewish and non-Jewish leaders to promote discussion about this crisis in the broader community
- Asking rabbis to speak about the danger of a nuclear armed Iran. For example, the JCRC of NY has launched a campaign to have rabbis speak on the High Holidays. To view their memo, including a sample sermon, please click [here](#). To view AIPAC's High Holiday Resource Guide, designed to incorporate the theme of Iran into a High Holiday sermon, please click [here](#).
- Contacting your local JCRC and participating in their advocacy programs on this critical issue.

## **Rabbinic and Synagogue Organizations Against a Nuclear Iran**

*Coordinated for the Inter-Agency Task Force on Iran by Rabbi Joel Meyers, Rabbinical Assembly*

We, the leadership of the rabbinic and synagogue organizations of the American Jewish Community are calling upon American Jews to make Iran a matter of the highest urgency.

We support President Obama's diplomatic initiatives. We are also convinced that our Government must take the lead in increasing economic and diplomatic pressure on the Iranian regime at this time. We take this position now because we are convinced that the Government of Iran is an increasing threat to us all. The Government of Iran

- Continues to develop nuclear capabilities, which, if fully operational, will threaten not only Israel or the Middle East as a whole, but every other country, including the United States.
- Has repeatedly acted to destabilize countries in the Middle East and elsewhere through direct sponsorship of terrorism and support of such groups as Hamas and Hezbollah. There is a real danger that a nuclear armed Iran will supply these weapons to its proxies and will certainly use the threat of these weapons to destabilize other nations.
- Has used negotiations solely as a delaying tactic and has continually reneged on promises made while thwarting vital efforts of the International Atomic Energy Agency to inspect those nuclear facilities most implicated in developing a military capability.
- Denies basic freedoms to its own citizens and any opposition to the ruling powers is too often suppressed, sometimes brutally.
- Has continually called for the destruction of Israel and promoted anti-Semitism.

Therefore preventing Iran from acquiring nuclear weapons must be a priority for our country at this time. For too long we have not taken action and have not modeled forceful leadership to the rest of the world. It is urgent that we heighten awareness about the danger a nuclear Iran presents to the U.S. and the world.

The time for action is now.

We ask for your participation in the following:

### *Eight Actions to Stop a Nuclear Iran*

- (1) *Mobilize your communities. The public must be presented with clear information. Hold public forums about the Iranian regime and its support of state terrorism and violations of human rights. Invite expert speakers to community forums to engage your community on this issue of concern.*

- (2) *Urge community members and community leaders to advocate with their elected officials. Divestment from Iran is an important economic tool by which to exert pressure. Speak to your local city and state officials. Convince them to make certain that pension funds and financing not be done through vehicles which benefit Iran's energy or financial sectors.*
- (3) *Contact your senators and representatives and urge that we tighten our sanctions on banks and industries doing business with Iran. Ask their help in leading and strengthening an international effort to do the same, particularly in terms of tightening access to refined petroleum products.*
- (4) *Be alert for opportunities to write letters to the editor of your local and/or op-ed pieces supporting diplomatic and financial pressure on Iran.*
- (5) *Respond assertively, quickly, and publicly to lies and misinformation being fostered upon the public by Iran, its proxies, and countries aligned with Iran against the United States and its vision of democracy and freedom.*
- (6) *Rabbis and those involved in interfaith activities should engage their partners in discussion about the danger Iran presents and ask for their help in preventing Iran from developing nuclear weapons.*
- (7) *Keep informed of the latest developments by utilizing the websites of United Against Nuclear Iran ([www.unitedagainstnucleariran.com](http://www.unitedagainstnucleariran.com)) and Jewish Council for Public Affairs ([www.jewishpublicaffairs.org](http://www.jewishpublicaffairs.org)).*
- (8) *Publicly display signage on our institutional and synagogue property urging that we must prevent a Nuclear Iran. It provides one vivid demonstration of our communal commitment to keep the issue of a Nuclear Iran before the public.*

We are enclosing informational and programmatic material for your use.

Signed by:  
Central Conference of American Rabbis  
Jewish Reconstructionist Federation  
National Council of Young Israel  
Rabbinical Assembly  
Rabbinical Council of America  
Reconstructionist Rabbinical Association  
**Iran Business Registry (IBR)**

## Iran Business Registry

*Prepared by UANI*

- The Iran Business Registry (IBR) is a running database of the names and key data of more than 150 firms that are reported to work in Iran. The IBR is a clearinghouse of information that individuals in the United States and around the world can use in making business choices and focusing pressure.
- Iran is uniquely susceptible to financial pressure due to the drop in oil prices and the effects of continued sanctions imposed by the US and the EU. This creates an opportunity for progress in stopping Iran's quest for a nuclear weapon.
- Companies that do business with Iran for short term economic gain provide the last support for the Iranian economy and facilitate the regimes diversion of funds to its nuclear program.
- By using the IBR, you can:
  - **Increase Product Awareness:** Use the IBR to guide your purchase decisions.
  - **Divest:** Use IBR to help identify your divestment decisions.
  - **Contact:** Contact companies on the IBR about doing business with Iran.
  - **Send a Message:** Write your elected officials or start a campaign in your local media through local newspaper editorial boards or local radio to send a message to these companies to stop doing business in Iran.
- The IBR can be visited at [www.unitedagainstnucleariran.com/ibr](http://www.unitedagainstnucleariran.com/ibr).

### **IBR Message Center**

- The IBR Message Center allows individuals to send a message to companies on the IBR at the global, national and local level. The IBR Message Center also enables individuals to send messages to elected officials and to start a media campaign by targeting local media.
- The kind of focused private pressure on businesses generated by the IBR Message Center works. Companies do not want the American people to know that they are doing business with the Iranian regime – a government that is the world's number one state sponsor of terrorism, that suppresses the rights of its own citizens and that provides support to anti-U.S. forces in Iraq. **The IBR Message Center can be used to tell these companies to STOP doing business with Iran.**
- The IBR Message Center can be visited at [www.unitedagainstnucleariran.com/ibr/messagecenter](http://www.unitedagainstnucleariran.com/ibr/messagecenter)

## Contact Legislators

Individuals can contact their local and Federal Representatives and Senators about the threat of a nuclear Iran, supporting tougher Iran sanctions and backing divestment from Iran.

Prepared text about the issues above that can be used to contact your Congressional Representatives and Senators is available through AIPAC's Take Action page:  
<http://www.aipac.org/694.asp>.

Contact information for your Representative or Senator can be found through his or her Web site. An online form is also available through the House of Representatives Web site,  
<https://writerep.house.gov/writerep/welcome.shtml>.

A listing for U.S. Senators along with contact information and a link to each Senator's contact form can be found online at  
[http://www.senate.gov/general/contact\\_information/senators\\_cfm.cfm](http://www.senate.gov/general/contact_information/senators_cfm.cfm).

## **Stand for Freedom in Iran Mission Statement**

September 24, 2009

The human rights situation in Iran continues to be of great concern. It is extremely important, when world leaders gather in September for the UN General Assembly opening session, that a diverse group of Americans rally on behalf of freedom in Iran and against Iran's nuclear weapons program and its support for terrorism.

We urge you and your organization to participate in demonstrations planned for Thursday, September 24<sup>th</sup> across the country and abroad. Please check with your local Federation/JCRC or for information. Please check with the World Jewish Congress for information about events abroad.

The main event will take place in New York City at Dag Hammarskjold Plaza, across from the United Nations on September 24 at 12:00 noon when Iranian President Ahmadinejad is expected to be at the General Assembly meeting. Those within traveling distance to New York are urged to participate in the Stand for Freedom in Iran Rally. The lead organizers of the New York event are the Jewish Community Relations Council of New York and the UJA-Federation of New York. For further information, please call 212-983-4800 ext. 152. The theme of the rally will be "Solidarity for Freedom in Iran." The mission statement for the rally consists of five points:

- Freedom of assembly, freedom of expression and freedom of the press.
- Immediate cessation of human rights abuses and repression of its own people, the release of demonstrators from prisons and protection for minority communities
- End its incitement to hatred, violence, genocide and other threats against Israel, and support for terrorism
- Full compliance and cooperation by Iran with the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) and Security Council resolutions including an end to all uranium enrichment in Iran
- Prosecution of those responsible for the murder of Neda Agha-Soltan and the many other victims engaged in the recent protest
- Full compliance and cooperation by Iran with the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) and Security Council resolutions including an end to all uranium enrichment in Iran

We know that you share our concern regarding recent events and ongoing developments in Iran and your organization are dismayed, as we are, by the human rights abuses in Iran. We hope you will join this critical effort in support of freedom on September 24.

For more information about the Stand for Freedom in Iran Rally, go to [www.standforfreedominiran.org](http://www.standforfreedominiran.org).

## Resources

*Prepared by the Anti-Defamation League*

### Fact Sheets on Iran

AIPAC: Brutal Iranian Regime with Nukes a Serious Threat  
[http://www.aipac.org/The\\_Issues/index\\_26638.asp](http://www.aipac.org/The_Issues/index_26638.asp)

American Jewish Committee: Stopping Iran's Nuclear Ambitions  
<http://www.ajc.org/atf/cf/%7B42D75369-D582-4380-8395-D25925B85EAF%7D/StoppingIransNukes061907.pdf>

### General Information

CIA Factbook <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/ir.html>

### U.S. Policy

Congressional Research Service Report for Congress: "Iran: US Concerns and Policy Responses" <http://www.fas.org/sgp/crs/mideast/RL32048.pdf>

### Strategic Issues

Center for Strategic and International Studies <http://www.csis.org/burke/iran>

International Atomic Energy Agency  
<http://www.iaea.org/NewsCenter/Focus/laeaIran/index.shtml>

Washington Institute for Near East Policy  
<http://www.washingtoninstitute.org/templateI03.php?SID=6&newActiveSubNav=Iran&activeSubNavLink=templateI03.php%3FSID%3D6&newActiveNav=researchAreas>

Wisconsin Project Iran Watch <http://www.iranwatch.org/>

### General Human Rights

State Department Report: <http://www.state.gov/g/drl/rls/hrrpt/2008/nea/119115.htm>

International Campaign for Human Rights in Iran:  
<http://www.iranhumanrights.org/themes/womens-rights.html>

### Religious Freedom

State Department Report: <http://www.state.gov/g/drl/rls/irf/2008/108482.htm>

Center for Religious Freedom at the Hudson Institute: <http://crf.hudson.org/>

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## Member Agencies:

American Israel Public Affairs Committee  
American Jewish Committee  
Anti-Defamation League  
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Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations  
Hadassah, Women's Zionist Organizations of America  
Jewish Community Centers Association  
Jewish Community Relations Council of New York  
Jewish Council for Public Affairs  
Jewish United Fund/Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Chicago  
NCSJ: Advocates on behalf of Jews in Russia, Ukraine, the Baltic States & Eurasia  
Rabbinical Assembly  
Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism  
The Israel Project  
UJA-Federation of New York  
Union for Reform Judaism  
Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America  
United Against Nuclear Iran  
United Jewish Communities  
United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism  
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