

Adults Don't Let Children Play with Guns, January 21 2006

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A question has surfaced in Iran regarding USA's purported duplicity on the nuclear issue, that is, why can not Iran have nuclear technology when the USA has nuclear technology? I would like to provide you one American's perspective to that question.

The USA has a history of protecting sea lanes for US commerce and global trade, from President Jefferson about 1810 with the Barbary Coast, defeating pirates there, and continuing in earnest to President T.Roosevelt at war when he was bent on civilizing the world. This continued with President Wilson in WWI, President F.Roosevelt in WWII, President Truman in N.Korea, President Johnson in Vietnam, and Bush Sr in Iraq, President Clinton in Bosnia, and current President Bush Jr in Iraq. The list is more complete than these examples. As a result, the USA has an \$8 trillion debt, but then, the Nazis, Imperial Japan, Stalin's Soviets, and the Sino-Communists, those majors posing threats to world peace and global trade, are history. Did the USA get its money's worth? Well, goods can be shipped around the world, these days, in relative peace, as USA carrier battle groups play world police protecting those free trade lanes. The Russians and Chinese are becoming good USA trading partners and friends, as did Germany and Japan. The USA tried to buy out the crazy guy in N. Korea, but globalized traders, Russia, China, Japan, and S.Korea are at least helping to contain the threat in N.Korea. Japan is now spending on missile defense in that region. Will Japan get its money's worth? Did the USA get its money's worth to build, maintain, and promote civilization and globalization? Do others eventually benefit from this civilization and globalization? I think so, as the poor third world populations increase their standards of living.

It has been the USA military might and diplomacy over the last century that has lead to a more peaceful world in which Iran can sell its oil. Sure, the USA has made diplomacy mistakes, but the screams of "death to America" are really getting old, like cheerleaders at a football game all ready lost. And now, the USA has new threat in the middle east, a nuclear Iran, posing to destabilize the middle east. The question of USA and Iran having the same power and responsibility goes to the maturity of the country. The USA has 225 years of democracy with many checks and balances to political power, whereas Iran has zero years, as the Mullahs in Iran do not have such checks and balances. With Iran saying that Israel should be wiped off the map, saying death to America, feeding the islamo-fascist terrorist, feeding terrorizing Hesbala in Lebanon, feeding terrorizing Hamas in Palestine, feeding insurgents in Iraq, and misleading nuclear inspectors for years, Iran, as a theocratic quasi-democracy, has not matured enough socially to assume the responsibility of protecting nuclear materials from would be terrorists, nor mature enough and without necessity to be allowed to possess enriched nuclear materials, nor with sufficient justification for the possession of nuclear arms.

As it is, Iran has threaten Israel with extinction and has pursued a course of nuclearization, and the two are inherently incompatible in view of the world's propensity to civilize the world by civilized nation states such as Russia, China, Japan, Australia, Britain, Germany, France, USA, inter alia, of economically and politically connected set of countries, whether are not there are those defiant nations who first resist but then eventually join the march of human cultural evolution towards peaceful interactions. If Iran remains defiant, the UN or at least the USA will be forced into a naval and air blockade of Iran, in an oil for food blockade. Iran will initially

resist, as the USA taps into its strategic reserves, and there would be \$100 oil and a global economic recession, as Iran's economy falls to the ground. This assumes, of course, that Israel's Mr. Netanyahu is not elected in March 2006 and does not strike Iran in advance. With several USA carrier battle groups sitting in the Persian gulf, it would be only a matter of time before Iran makes a second mistake and "inadvertently" strikes USA military forces. Like the Vietnam Token Resolution, the USA would counter-strike, and take out Iranian missile batteries, above ground nuclear facilities, and below ground tunnel entrances. Then, to cease fire, Iran will have to negotiate a treaty which may include that Mullahs do not control the government, that women can vote, and that Iran pay for the cost of the USA blockade, all the while the Iranian economy is destroyed.

The hard-line controlling Mullahs of Iran will take the Iranian population down with them, unless a change of posture is quickly taken. The deal with Russia seems a good one. Iran should move away from terrorism supporting posture, and, work with the west and work with the Russians and Chinese who also don't want war, so as to improve Iran's standard of living, rather than drive itself into the ground, in its present hostile manner. It would be a mistake to think the west would allow Iran possession of nuclear technology without adequate inspections, safeguards, and process limitations, especially in view of the hate of the west that radiates from Tehran. In stead of the hate speech directed towards the west, Iran should be cooperative with the west, and compliant to international concerns. While Iran may feel and is surrounded these days with pro-west anti-terrorism countries, Iran should understand that the USA will stand against international terrorism and nuclearization of Iran raising tensions in the middle east and posing threats to those pro-west anti-terrorism countries and trade in that region. The west will protect its global investment. The Jihadist mentality has kept the Islamic world for centuries from progressing civilly, notwithstanding the oil income. The oil income is the fuel towards building the nuclear facilities, yet it is that trade globalization that is now threaten by such facilities. Iran's oil income should not be used to defeat itself. Iran's oil income should be used to increase the prosperity in Iran without global confrontation. Like it or not, Iran is a member of the world, and its globalization, and enjoys the benefits of international trade. Iran must be responsible vis-à-vis these benefits, and negotiate with others and reach suitable arrangements to co-exist peacefully. Freedom to globally exploit oil market has its costs and comes with responsibility and civility. Iran has the freedom to sell oil on world markets, but has the responsibility to cooperate with the global community. Human cultural evolution has accelerated over the last 100 years, lead mostly by the west, and has resulted in a more peaceful world and globalized trading partners. Iran is like a tree standing alone in the sand with a big wind blowing, and Iran must decide to either bend or break. So there is the choice. The controlling Mullahs need to understand that nether they nor Iran can stop the 5000 year global progress of human cultural evolution.

The answer to the question poised is that adults (USA) do not let children (Iran) to play with guns, for very good reasons, even though some children believe they can operated and possess guns safely, and some actually do. Likewise, the world community will not allow a hostile theocratic Iran to have nuclear processing capabilities without sufficient safeguards, inspections, and process limitations, so that, hostile theocratic Iran does not obtain nuclear materials that could possibly be used to further its hostile rhetoric, conduct, and associations. I pray Iran will negotiate suitable arrangements with the west and avoid the pending titanic collision, which Iran will certainly lose at great costs, and hopefully, after several decades of peaceful and cooperative civility, Iran will have matured as a fully transparent democracy, without confrontational theocratic control, but with checks and balances, with free and fair elections, with all having the

right to vote, when Iran would then be trusted by all as a good friend and good global trading partner. I pray the USA and Iran will become good friends and trading partners. God Willing

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