



The “IRAN: View form the LEFT” will be published for those who want to get to know the Left Party of Iran (People's Fadaian) positions. Each issue contains selections of the party's positions on a monthly basis. The current issue covers April, 2021.

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Word of the Month



The most obvious feature of the agreement between China and Iran is its lack of clarity. It is not 'an agreement', rather a wish list no one can find fault with. We will have to wait for indications of its real substance when and if they are revealed.

However, the accord signals two important changes:

- 1- Iran has, in effect, dropped its strategic slogan 'neither East nor West' in favour of a tilt toward East (China)*
- 2- China's policy of patience and amicable co-existence with the US, too, is changing. This accord signals their declaration of intent to be proactive in the Middle East.*

The fourth anniversary of the Left Party of Iran (People's Fadaian)

Unity is the urgent need of the Iranian left!

The Left Party of Iran (People's Fadaian) enters its fourth year of existence on March 30 of this year.

On this day in 2018, with the convening of the Constituent Assembly, the achievement of the multi-year process of unification among the three components of the Iranian left was officially announced and the news of the emergence of a single party on the left had a relatively wide reflection among the political activists. We now continue to focus on the continuation and consolidation of party's unity by honoring the achievement of this unity and the satisfaction of years of effort in this direction.

The Political-Executive Board of the Left Party of Iran (People's Fadaian) has issued a statement on the occasion of starting the fourth years of the party's life:



The L P I (P F) is currently preparing for its third congress, including the founding congress, with the call for the cooperation of all left-wing forces and the hope for progress and success in this field. At the beginning of another year of our existence, we sincerely expect that the party's supporters strengthen their party, both by criticizing its performance and by joining its ranks. Stronger organizational unity and broad unity in the left ranks is our message and aspiration on this third anniversary of the party. To achieve this goal, we extend our hand to the egalitarian democratic left forces which are tirelessly pursuing the transition from the Islamic Republic to the establishment of democracy in the country. We warmly shake the hands of any activist



and leftist movement that steps in this direction.

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Message to the Communist party of Iraq on the occasion of the 87th anniversary of its founding

The friendly and strong relationship between the Left Party of Iran (People's Fadaian) and the Communist Party of Iraq is one of the most exciting relations between the two parties from neighboring countries. This relationship allows for active and creative solutions for common issues. The International Relations office of the LPI (PF) sent a congratulatory message to the Communist Party of Iraq on the occasion of its 87th anniversary. The message reads:



On behalf of all members of the Left Party of Iran (People's Fadaian), we express our sincere greetings on the occasion of the 87th anniversary of the founding of the Iraqi Communist Party.

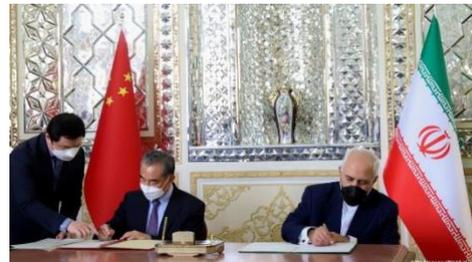
Your party has always been a friend, companion and supporter of our struggles during the 50 years of the Fadaei movement which the majority of its activities has been continued in the Left Party of Iran during the last 3 years since this party has formed. Your affiliation with the other Communist parties

and Workers' Parties all around the world and the efforts you make for world peace and disarmament, has not slowed you from collaborating with other left-wing and progressive parties that share your fundamental goals and values, and this should be considered as one of the praiseworthy features of the Iraqi Communist party.

We believe that in the current situation where the Middle East is a storehouse of gunpowder and prone to war, unrest, convulsions and all kinds of unpredictable events, the presence and joint activity of leftist and progressive forces in the region is more important than ever. We announce our intention to continue our joint struggle.

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Iran-China's 25-year cooperation document



The news of the existence of a 25-year memorandum of cooperation between Iran and China was made public a few months ago during the revelations made as a result of the war between inter-government factions. However, the officials of the Islamic Republic kept their silence in regards to the news. During a visit to Iran last month by Mr. Wang Yi, the Chinese Foreign Minister, a memorandum of understanding was signed by the two countries' foreign ministers, but its content remained unclear.



The first question about this document is, what is all the secrecy for? If economic relations were meant to be healthy, transparent and defensible, why all the mystery? If it is based on a really win-win situation, why does the government not want to show it as a winning card and blow the horns to announce its achievements? These questions and inquiries are the first and the most natural and general finding of a draft that was recently leaked to the media. The draft, which tells the story of dozens of macro-plans in the fields of economy, politics, education, and even military-security is really very disturbing because of the unknown details and the ambiguities of the plans.

The political-Executive board of the Left Party of Iran (People's Fadaian) issued a statement:



Expressing concern over the consequences of the signed document, the LPI (P F) declares that it is invalid until the document is presented to the Iranian people and its contents are examined by experts. We consider it our right to protest against the action of the Islamic Republic, which has decided for the present and the future of the country, and to declare it against the national interests of Iran. We call on our compatriots to unanimously condemn secrecy and call for the full disclosure of the document of the Memorandum of Understanding.

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We condemn the act of explosion in Natanz!

On April 11, a sabotage and explosion took place at the Natanz nuclear facility, causing extensive damage. Well-known American and Israeli media outlets, including the New York Times and the Jerusalem Post, blamed the Israeli government for the attack but the Israeli government has not officially claimed responsibility. After this sabotage, the Islamic Republic announced that it would launch a 60% uranium enrichment sector.



Now that the door to negotiations has been opened, the Israeli government wants to stop the process with these subversive actions. As a result of such actions, it is possible to sever relations with the signatory countries of the JCPOA and as a result the continuation of the harsh sanctions that have ruined the lives of the Iranian people. Israel's destructive action at the Natanz facility also raises the possibility of leaking of radioactive materials that could endanger the lives of the Iranian people. Continuation of such actions will make the region more insecure and will ignite the flames of war.

The Left Party of Iran (People's Fadaian) in regards to this event wrote:



The Political-Executive Board of the LPI (PF) strongly condemns the explosion at the Natanz facility. This act directly endangers the lives of the Iranian people. These actions will intensify the atmosphere of tension and insecurity. Such an atmosphere may lead to war and destruction of people's livelihood in the region which in turn leads to the rise and the growth of terrorist groups. We call on the political institutions defending peace and freedom, anti-authoritarian activists and pro-democracy advocates to raise their voices in protest against any action that could set the region on fire. We call on the United Nations and international organizations to investigate the sabotage operations at the Natanz nuclear facility and condemn the perpetrators.

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Greetings the International Workers' Day

May First, International Workers' Day, is fast approaching. The office of Workers relations of the Left Party of Iran (People's Fadaian) called on workers and toilers to celebrate this day by organizing independent events and wrote:

Authoritarianism and censorship is one of the most important obstacles to organizing and

meeting your demands. Defend the struggles of other freedom fighting groups and social movements such as the struggle of women against discrimination and inequality. Support and actively participate in the joint struggles of labor activists and teachers' organizations on May 1st for the release of civil and political prisoners.

In the current situation, solidarity between progressive and democratic forces and movements to bring down tyranny is as important as the unity among the working class.



The government is planning for another fake election. Use the independent ceremony on May 1st to expose the rulers' intentions to confiscate your votes and advance their anti-workers' intentions, as well as to expose the slogans and promises made dozens of times by the candidates appointed by the regime. Participate in the protests and like retirees, chant the slogan "No more lies, No more ruins, No more votes".

Condemn and fight the government's approach to the covid-19. Put pressure on the government to provide the mass vaccination of people for free. Condemn and call for the lifting of economic sanctions that incite recession and unemployment as well as giving the government an excuse to cover up its inefficiency and corruption.

Let us make this year's Labor Day a day of protest against the government and its



policies and treatment of workers and toilers, against the below-poverty wages, against unemployment and job insecurity, against repression and imprisonment of union leaders, and to abolish corruption and injustice imposed by the government.

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The need for a global supply of corona vaccine

Covid-19 pandemic kills all over the world. So it is only with global solidarity that we can and must confront this plague. In addition, for more than a month now, the fourth wave of the Corona virus has been spreading throughout our country.



In an open letter to UN Secretary-General, Mr. Antonio Guterres, the Health office of the Left Party of Iran (People's Fadaian) wrote:

Your Excellency,

You are aware that many countries around the world do not yet have access to vaccines. The number of people without access to vaccine is much higher than those in



industrialized countries who have been vaccinated. In our country, Iran, despite the accelerating spread of the disease, less than one percent of the population has been vaccinated.

We believe that the fair distribution of vaccines among all countries requires the empowering of COVAX and, most importantly, providing the possibility of producing existing vaccines by revoking their licenses - albeit temporarily - in all countries that have the potential. Easy access to the vaccine and its production in all countries is a prerequisite for dealing with Quid 19 and the only solution that can free the world from this pandemic.



Your Excellency,

Given the United Nations undertaking at this juncture, it would be gratifying to take the necessary steps to address the medical needs of all countries to face the pandemic on your agenda. There are many people like the people of our country who need immediate action in this regard. We hope that your actions, as well as the lifting of US sanctions against our country, will be effective in providing vaccines for the suffering people of Iran from Covid - 19 pandemic.

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Call for the active boycott of presidential elections

Free and fair elections the necessity for the transition to democracy

The 13th presidential election will be held in less than two months; an election in an increasingly limited context and deprived of real content. An election in which potential candidates not only must pass the Guardian Council, but also gain the approval of the Supreme Leader.



The executive political delegations of the Union of Republicans of Iran, The Left Party of Iran (People's Fadaian), and the Solidarity of the Republicans of Iran in a joint statement called on the Iranian people not to participate in this election and wrote:

We, the three secular Republican parties and organizations, call on the people of Iran to actively boycott the presidential elections. We call on all liberal and democratic political forces to come to a common and united stand against the government's plan to hold another fake election. We believe that the active boycott of the parliamentary elections will thwart the government's efforts to use the people's vote to legitimize its policies. By boycotting the elections, declare your protest against inefficiency, corruption, recession, inflation, unemployment, growing poverty, oppression and repression, and intensify the

struggle against the Islamic Republic by leaving the polls empty.

By announcing our readiness to take joint action in the widespread boycott of this election, we call on all our compatriots inside and outside the country to resonate the fake elections in any way they can. The active boycott of the presidential election is a favorable opportunity for the joint and wide-ranging stand of all Republican and Democratic forces to strengthen the democratic movement in Iran. It is absolutely necessary to invite and encourage everyone to hold rallies, make extensive use of mass communication networks, distribute leaflets, and to call for free elections in order to transition to democracy. The country should be trusted in the hands of truly elected agents by people. By doing these, we defeat the Islamic Republic's efforts to legitimize itself through fake elections.

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