The Leader's remarks over the so-called deal of the century - 6 /Feb/ 2020

During the Ten-Day Dawn Celebrations, which are the days leading up to the anniversary of the victory of the Islamic Revolution in 1979, Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei - the Supreme Leader of Iran - met with various groups of people.

In this meeting, the Leader of the Islamic Revolution elaborated on the Zionist-American plot against the independence and sovereignty of the Palestinian Nation - the so-called 'Deal of the Century' - and declared, "The American aggressors and highwaymen recently unveiled a plan, which they called the 'Deal of the Century.' They have wishfully chosen a big name for it hoping to achieve it. In my opinion, what they are pursuing is firstly, foolish; secondly, it is a sign of viciousness; and thirdly, it has been detrimental to themselves since day one."

Imam Khamenei explained, "Why is it stupid? Because this plan will certainly achieve no results. This plan will die before Trump dies. Therefore, it is foolish to come and sit, spend money, invite, create an uproar, and unveil a plan that is doomed to failure."

The Supreme Leader described the plan as an unmasking of the vicious nature of the United States and stated, "Secondly, this plan is indicative of the U.S. government's viciousness and manipulation. Why? Because they have come to negotiate with the Zionists over what does not even belong to them. Palestine belongs to the Palestinians. Who are you to make a decision on it?!"

Imam Khamenei added that their plot has been backfiring on the plotters and asserted, "We said from the beginning that this has been detrimental to them since day one. Why? Because, all the efforts of the Front of Arrogance have been focused on making the name and memory of Palestine be forgotten; whereas, their actions have revived the question of Palestine. Today, all the world is talking about the oppression the people of Palestine are suffering from and the fact that the right is with them. Furthermore, they are condemning the U.S., all the world except for a few traitorous Arab rulers."

His Eminence referred to the U.S. and the Zionist regime's desperate, ineffective efforts to reach their goal by any means and stressed, "They will make efforts to advance this plan. They will rely on weapons and money to reach this goal. They will bribe some, lure others with weapons, and threaten some."

Imam Khamenei described Resistance as being the only way to counter their vicious behavior and said, "What is the remedy? The remedy is bold resistance. The Palestinian nation, personages and organizations should force out the Zionists and the U.S. with their selfless Jihad. This is the only effective solution. All the Muslim world should also help and support the Palestinians."

His Eminence further added, "Of course, I believe that the Palestinian armed organizations are going to resist; they will continue the resistance. The solution is resistance."

Pointing to the active role of other Resistance groups in West Asia, the Leader of the Revolution maintained, "The resistance is not exclusive to the Palestinians in the West Asian region today. The resistance exists in a wider circle beyond Palestine, and will continue to grow day by day, by God's grace."

Imam Khamenei reiterated Iran's long-standing support for the Palestinian cause and said, "We, the system of the Islamic Republic, consider it to be our duty to support the Palestinian resistance groups. We are going to support them, as much as we can and with all the means at our disposal."

Imam Khamenei once again proposed a practical, peaceful solution to the question of Palestine by stating that, "The fundamental and crucial remedy for the question of Palestine is what we started some years ago, which has also been registered in some important international centres. All those of Palestinian origin - not those who later came to settle in the occupied territories - and of any religion, including Muslims, Christians and Jews, should take part in a poll to choose the system that they accept. Throughout Palestine, a government elected by the people should be established, so that it can make decisions regarding the issues of Palestine and decide about people like Netanyahu. This is the

only effective way to solve the Palestinian issue and establish peace."
The Leader of the Islamic Revolution gave news of the coming liberation of Al-Quds to the young people and said, "With God's assistance, this will be achieved. We hope you young people will see the day, and you will see that day, God willing, when you can perform prayers in Al-Quds, which is so important to them."
His Eminence went on to say, "The remedy to our problem with the ruthless, powerful enemy is to become powerful."
The Supreme Leader referred to the upcoming Parliamentary elections and said, "A strong Parliament is one factor that leads to a powerful Iran. The formation of a strong Parliament depends on a large part of the nation voting. Perhaps, someone doesn't like me, but if he/she likes Iran, they should come to the ballot box. So anyone who likes Iran, and likes security, the resolution of problems, and the appropriate use of intellectuals, should participate in elections."
Elsewhere in his speech, Imam Khamenei stated, "When some traitorous, foreign media try to describe the crowd of millions of Iranians as a few thousand, and at the same time, they refer to the movement of a few hundred people in the streets as the entire nation, naturally the people won't trust them. Of course, as long as such media is not fed false reports for their misuse from inside the country."
In the end, the Supreme Leader praised Iran's electoral system and slammed those who try to upset public opinion by making false claims and attacking the Guardian Council and asserted, "Elections in Iran are among the healthiest in the world. When you lie and say these elections are engineered or say they are not real elections, they are appointments, people become discouraged. Attacking the Guardian Council is one of the worst actions. The Guardian Council, which is composed of six impartial jurists and six eminent experts in law selected by the Parliament, is respected in the constitution. They are a trustworthy entity. How can a person easily accuse them of partiality?"