ONTARIO SUPERIOR COURT OF JUSTICE

BETWEEN:

MOHAMMED MEHDI KHALAJI

Plaintiff

(Jeal)

- and -

HOSSEIN DERAKHSHAN

Defendant

STATEMENT OF CLAIM

TO THE DEFENDANT

A LEGAL PROCEEDING HAS BEEN COMMENCED AGAINST YOU by the plaintiff. The claim made against you is set out in the following pages.

IF YOU WISH TO DEFEND THIS PROCEEDING, you or an Ontario lawyer acting for you must prepare a statement of defence in Form 18A prescribed by the Rules of Civil Procedure, serve it on the plaintiff's lawyer or, where the plaintiff does not have a lawyer, serve it on the plaintiff, and file it, with proof of service, in this court office, WITHIN TWENTY DAYS after this statement of claim is served on you, if you are served in Ontario.

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dismissed by the court. If you believe the amount claimed for costs is excessive, you may pay the plaintiff's claim and \$400.00 for costs and have the costs assessed by the court.

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TO:

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AND TO:

Hossein Derakhshan

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CLAIM

1. The plaintiff claims:

- (a) A declaration that the Defendant has defamed and libelled the Plaintiff by writing and publishing the defamatory statements concerning the Plaintiff set out in Section 11 of this Claim (as defined therein, the "Defamatory Statements");
- (b) An interim, interlocutory and permanent injunction restraining the Defendant directly or by his servants, employees, and agents, or any other person having knowledge of such Order, from further writing, publishing or communicating the Defamatory Statements in English or in any other language; including, without limitation:
 - (i) on the websites and weblogs <u>www.hoder.com</u> and <u>www.hoder.com/weblog</u>, , and all other of the Defendant's Websites (as defined in Section 7 of this Claim);
 - (ii) on any websites or weblogs directly or indirectly operated or edited by the Defendant or any person under the Defendant's authority or control;
 - (iii) on any websites or weblogs that link, mirror or automatically refer to any of the websites or weblogs referred to in sub-paragraphs 1(b)(i) and (ii); and
 - (iv) on any other websites or weblogs;
- (c) An Order of this Court directing the Defendant and his servants, employees, and agents, or any other person having knowledge of such Order, to forthwith remove the Defamatory Statements from:
 - (i) the websites and weblogs <u>www.hoder.com</u> and <u>www.hoder.com/weblog</u>, and all other of the Defendant's Websites (as defined in Section 7 of this Claim);

- (ii) on any websites or weblogs directly or indirectly operated or edited by the Defendant or any person under the Defendant's authority or control;
- (iii) on any websites or weblogs that link, mirror or automatically refer to any of the websites or weblogs referred to in sub-paragraphs 1(c)(i) and (ii); and
- (iv) on any other websites or weblogs;

and to refrain from further publication and dissemination of the Defamatory Statements;

- (d) An Order of this Court directing the Defendant and his servants, employees, and agents, or any other person having knowledge of such Order, to forthwith visibly and prominently post a true and complete copy of the Order(s) issued by the Court pursuant to Section 1 of this Claim on the home page of:
 - (i) the websites and weblogs <u>www.hoder.com</u> and <u>www.hoder.com/weblog</u>, and all other of the Defendant's Websites (as defined in Section 7 of this Claim);
 - (ii) on any websites or weblogs directly or indirectly operated or edited by the Defendant or any person under the Defendant's authority or control;
 - (iii) on any websites or weblogs that link, mirror or automatically refer to any of the websites or weblogs referred to in sub-paragraphs 1(d)(i) and (ii); and
 - (iv) on any other websites or weblogs containing or linking to the Defamatory Statements;

and also directing that such Order, as so posted, not to be removed without first obtaining an Order from this Court authorization such removal (any such Order sought by the Defendant to be on reasonable prior notice to the Plaintiff);

- (e) Damages in the amount of \$1,000,000.00, or such other sum as this Court may determine and award;
- (f) Punitive damages in the amount of \$1,000,000.00;
- (g) Pre-judgment interest on the aforesaid amounts in accordance with the provisions of the *Courts of Justice Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. C-43 as amended;
- (h) Costs of this action on a substantial indemnity basis, including GST;
- (i) Such further and other relief as this Honourable Court may permit.
- 2. The Plaintiff, Mohammed Mehdi Khalaji resides in Washington, in the District of Columbia, in the United States of America.
- 3. The Plaintiff is a Next Generation fellow at The Washington Institute for Near East Policy (the "Institute"), focusing on the role of politics in contemporary Shiite clericalism in Iran and Iraq. The Plaintiff holds a doctorate in Shiite theology from seminaries in Qom, Iran, and has served as a journalist with the intellectual monthly *Kyan*, the daily *Entekhab*, the BBC Persian Service and the Prague-based Radio Farda. The Plaintiff is currently completing a doctorate in Shiite theology and exeges at the Sorbonne in Paris.
- 4. The Plaintiff has enjoyed an outstanding reputation as a scholar and commentator in his chosen field, and for the highest level of good faith and integrity in his dealings and professional work product.
- 5. The Institute at which the Plaintiff is currently a Next Generation fellow, is an independent non-profit organization established to advance a balanced and realistic understanding of American interests in the Middle East. Under the guidance of a

on U.S. public policy in this vital region of the world. Drawing on the research of its scholars and the experience of policy practitioners, the Institute promotes an American engagement in the Middle East committed to strengthening alliances, nurturing friendships, and promoting security, peace, prosperity, and democracy for the people of the region. The Institute is neither affiliated with nor is it a direct or indirect agency of the U.S. Government.

- 6. The Defendant, Hossein Derakhshan resides in the City of Toronto, in the province of Ontario.
- 7. The Defendant is the registrant, the administrative contact and the technical contact for, and the writer and editor of, the website www.hoder.com and the weblog www.hoder.com/weblog. The Defendant may operate or control further and other websites and weblogs known to the Defendant but unknown at this time to the Plaintiff. For the purposes of this Claim, the website and weblog www.hoder.com and www.hoder.com/weblog and such other websites and weblogs operated by the Defendant are collectively referred to as the "Defendant's Websites". The Defendant operates the Defendant's Websites in English and in Persian. The Defendant's Websites profess to be a weblog on Iran, technology and culture.
- 8. The Defendant wrote and published, and continues to publish, the Defamatory Statements identified in Section 11 of this Claim; including on the Defendant's Websites.
- 9. The Defendant's Websites were hosted by Hosting Matters, Inc. who took down the Defendant's Websites in August, 2007 (the exact date in August, 2007 known to the Defendant but unknown to the Plaintiff) in consequence of demand made by the Plaintiff to

the Defendant and Hosting Matters, Inc. to remove the Defamatory Statements identified in Section 11 of this Claim.

10. The Defendant, at a time known to him but unknown to the Plaintiff, then put up the Defendant's Websites once again with a different hosting service (now 1&1 Internet Inc.) and thereby has and continues to republish the Defamatory Statements identified in Section 11 of this Claim.

II. The Defamatory Statements

- 11. For the purpose of this Claim the Defamatory Statements identified in Sections 12, 13 and 15 are collectively referred to as the "**Defamatory Statements**".
- 12. Beginning in or about October, 2005, and continuing to the time of pleading, the Defendant has written and published statements concerning the Plaintiff on the Defendant's Websites (and elsewhere known to the Defendant but unknown to the Plaintiff) which are individually and collectively defamatory of the Plaintiff. As a result, the Plaintiff has sustained substantial injury and damage to his personal, business and professional reputation. The circumstances in which the Defamatory Statements were spoken, written, and published are set out below. The Defendant's Websites may be viewed by persons in Ontario and elsewhere throughout Canada.
- 13. Beginning in or about October, 2005, and continuing to the time of pleading, the Defendant wrote and published on the Defendant's Websites (and elsewhere known to the Defendant but unknown to the Plaintiff) the Defamatory Statements concerning the Plaintiff that are highlighted and attached as Schedule "A" to this Claim. Schedule "A" contains both

the original Farsi text and an English translation; both highlighted to note the Defamatory Statements. An English translation of the Defamatory Statements was also posted by the Defendant on the Defendant's Websites, and such postings continue to the time of pleading.

- 14. On July 27th, 2007 the Plaintiff, by its legal counsel, made demand upon the Defendant, the registrar of the domain addresses for the Defendant's Websites and upon the entity that hosted the Defendant's Websites identifying the Defamatory Statements and seeking the co-operation of the Defendant and the other recipient's of that letter in taking down the defamatory statements. By that demand, the Plaintiff also requested an appropriate letter of contrition and other relief. A copy of such demand from counsel for the Plaintiff (the "Take Down Demand") is attached as Schedule "B".
- 15. Rather than complying with the Take Down Demand, the Defendant wilfully and purposefully exacerbated and further contributed to the Plaintiff's damage by posting the Take Down Demand on the Defendant's Websites and by writing and publishing further Defamatory Statements concerning the Plaintiff, including those as highlighted in the excerpts from the Defendant's Websites attached as Schedule "C".
- 16. As noted in Section 9 of this Claim, in response to the Take Down Demand, Hosting Matters, Inc., the entity that hosted the Defendant's Websites, took down the Defendant's Websites in August, 2007 (the exact date in August, 2007 known to the Defendant but unknown to the Plaintiff) in consequence of the Defendant's failure to remove the Defamatory Statements.
- 17. As also noted in Section 10 of this Claim, the Defendant, at a time known to him but unknown to the Plaintiff, wilfully and purposefully then put up the Defendant's Websites

once again with a different hosting service (now 1&1 Internet Inc.) and thereby has and continues to republish the Defamatory Statements identified in Section 11 of this Claim.

- 18. The Defendant knew and intended that these Defamatory Statements, or their gist, would be republished in the press and on other websites and/or authorized their repetition.
- 19. In their natural and ordinary meaning, and by their innuendo, the words comprising the Defamatory Statements, meant and were understood to mean the following with respect to the Plaintiff:
 - (a) The Defamatory Statements state, falsely, that the Plaintiff is a traitor to the government and people of Iran, and a most heinous traitor;
 - (b) The Defamatory Statements state, falsely, that the Plaintiff has worked for U.S. Vice-President Cheney's office, and by innuendo that the Plaintiff is a dupe or puppet of the U.S. government;
 - (c) The Defamatory Statements state, falsely, that the Plaintiff has counselled the Vice-President of the United States of America to bomb the Plaintiff's former offices in Iran;
 - (d) The Defamatory Statements state, falsely, that the Plaintiff has counselled the Vice-President of the United States of America to bomb thousands of men, women and children,
 - (e) The Defamatory Statements state, falsely, that the Plaintiff counsels enemies of Iran and of humanity;
 - (f) The Defamatory Statements incite others to follow the Defendant's lead by spiting in the Plaintiff's face, as a demeaning and deprecating gesture in Iranian culture;

- (g) The Defamatory Statements state, falsely, that the Plaintiff holds and publicizes the belief that political change is not possible from within Iran;
- (h) The Defamatory Statements state, falsely, that the Plaintiff is illiterate and struggles to converse and express himself in the English language;
- (i) The Defamatory Statements state, falsely, that the Plaintiff counsels the government of the United States of America to chose military action against Iran, over and instead of diplomatic talks;
- (j) The Defamatory Statements state, falsely, that the Plaintiff's academic research papers are in reality thinly veiled instruction manuals on how to locate and attack the weaknesses of the legitimate government of Iran;
- (k) The Defamatory Statements state, falsely, that the Plaintiff is a proponent of, and openly supports, civil unrest, revolution and a regime change in Iran through the use of the military, and violence if necessary; and
- (l) The Defamatory Statements state, falsely, that the Plaintiff is incompetent, dishonest, corrupt, dictatorial, and acts in bad faith.

III. The Plaintiff's Damages and the Defendant's Conduct

- 20. The Defamatory Statements in their natural and ordinary meaning, and by their innuendo, evidence a personal, mindful and malicious vendetta being waged by the Defendant against the Plaintiff.
- 21. In consequences of the Defamatory Statements set out in Section 11, the Plaintiff has sustained loss to his personal, academic, professional and business reputation and has been seriously damaged and has suffered considerable distress and embarrassment. The

Defamatory Statements were calculated to disparage the Plaintiff in his personal, academic, professional and business capacity and in fact have done so.

- 22. Moreover, by writing and publishing the Defamatory Statements on the Defendant's Websites (and elsewhere known to the Defendant but unknown to the Plaintiff), the Defendant knew and intended to incite violence and retribution against the Plaintiff and those of the Plaintiff's family members who still live in Iran. The Plaintiff has received threats and warnings of personal violence in consequence.
- 23. To date, the Defendant has not published any retraction or apology.
- 24. The Defendant has further aggravated the damages caused the Plaintiff by:
 - (a) publishing the Defamatory Statements complained of maliciously and in bad faith, with knowledge that they were false, or with reckless regard for their truth or falsity;
 - (b) taking no steps prior to the publication of the Defamatory Statements to contact the Plaintiff to provide him with an opportunity to respond to them; and
 - (c) publishing the Defamatory Statements in the context of a website and weblog intentionally written in an inflammatory tone of language intended to discredit and belittle the Plaintiff.
- 25. By the Take Down Letter the Plaintiff has made demand that the Defendant take down and remediate the damage caused by writing and publishing the Defamatory Statements. However, the Defendant has ignored or refused to comply with the Plaintiff's request, and in

fact has exacerbated and contributed to the Plaintiff's further damage by reason of the continued publication of the Defamatory Statements even after the Defendant's first hosting service took down the Defendant's Websites in consequence of the continued publication of those Defamatory Statements. The Defendant has performed the acts complained of in this Claim, and has defamed and libelled the Plaintiff, wilfully and with knowledge of the damage that the same would cause, and with the intent to cause such damage to the Plaintiff.

- 26. The conduct of the Defendant has been deliberate, deceitful, arrogant, high-handed, malicious, and has shown a callous disregard for the rights and reputation of the Plaintiff. The Plaintiff therefore seeks a significant award of punitive damages.
- 27. Moreover, unless restrained and enjoined by this Court, the Defendant will continue to defame and libel the Plaintiff by the continued publication of the Defamatory Statements and, in consequence, will continue to cause irreparable harm, loss, and injury to the Plaintiff for which the Plaintiff has no other adequate remedy at law.
- 28. This proceeding consists of a claim or claims in respect of one or more torts committed in Ontario, in respect of damage that has been sustained in Ontario, for an injunction ordering the defendants, among other things, to refrain from defaming and libelling the Plaintiff in Ontario, for one or more declarations in Ontario, and against a Defendant who is located and who carry on business in Ontario. The plaintiff specifically pleads and relies upon Rule 17 of the *Rules of Civil Procedure* to support service outside of Ontario if it is necessary to serve the Defendant outside of Ontario.
- 29. The Plaintiff pleads and relies upon the *Libel and Slander Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. L-12, as amended.
- 30. The Plaintiff proposes that this action be tried at Toronto, Ontario.

October 19^{th} , 2007

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SCHEDULE "A"

ORIGINAL FARSI TEXT AND AN ENGLISH TRANSLATION OF DEFAMATORY STATEMENTS WRITTEN AND PUBLISHED IN OR ABOUT OCTOBER 2005 AND CONTINUING TO THE TIME OF PLEADING

Editor: Myself (Persian)

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Mehdi Khalaji is the only Iranian who has worked for both Khamenei's office and Dick Cheney's, who intends to bomb Khalaji's former office building plus thousands of men, women and children living in the surrounding area.

Some time ago, AFPC (US Foreign Policy Centre), a right-wing firm with a close relationship with Israel, through its one-day convention regarding the "Iran's threat", launched its one-week-long propaganda campaign, thus frightening people in the US

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about the growing threat `Iran. These thirty-second advertise` ints were broadcast the CNN, SNBC, Headline News and Fox News channels. (See one of the thirty-sec anti-Iranian videos.)

At the conference (represented in the form of a new program as "Freedom of Iran"), Mehdi Khalaji along with Ilan Berman, Patrick Clawson, James Woolsey and a few others, gave lectures on the growing threat of Islamic Republic of Iran and the roots the regime. (See the complete videos of the speeches.)

Mehdi Khalaji, while struggling to read the English translation of his article, tried to explain the reason why political changes were not possible from inside Iran and, as result [in order to eliminate "the growing threat of Iranians against world peace"], the US must choose either military action or economic sanctions, instead of holding

I don't know what you would like to call Mr. Khalaji's informed help, giving ideas cruelest and dirtiest enemies of Iran and humanity. But I do know that if I run into one day, instead of saying hello, I will spit in his face.

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down, and then vice versa. One is "regime change" or destroy Iran, which has two branches; one supports military action, or the "velvet revolution" or civilian resistance (which is looked after by Ganji with complete stupidity), or social changes. There is also another policy, which is moderation of the behaviour of the Iranian regime through increased interaction, mutual talks and economic relationships.

Just be aware that "regime change" or destroying the regime is a term with a specific meaning that is different from its literal meaning, which is a complete change of government. I will write about this later.

It is obvious which of all of these American and European *think-tanks* and academic and semi-academic organizations working on Iran follow what specific policy. But it is interesting to know that almost all Iranians who have recently gone to the US have joined one of the centres that follow the "regime change" line of thought.

For example, the Washington Institute, where Mehdi Khalaji and Sazgara work or have worked, openly supports the "regime change" policy, even through military action. (Just imagine that Mehdi Khalaji has worked for both the "Entekhab" newspaper connected to Khamenei and the institute that intends to bomb his former office. What an integrated moral system.)

Or, for example, some of the former members of the Tahkim Vahdati group, including Afshari and Atri and many of the younger ones, have joined the Human Rights

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- Statistics as the world's blogs for each country / Iranian blogs are estimated to total around 700,000
- Omid Memarian receiving an award from Human Rights Watch / I hope this news
 will not cause a problem for his family. Perhaps it would be a good idea if he
 condemns it in his blog.
- Ahmadinejad: Israel is an insult to human dignity and must be wiped off the map / Someone's got to stop this stupid person!

Oct. 26, 2005

The first research report written by Mehdi Khalaji for the Institute in Washington / What Khalaji and Sazgara are doing is the same as if Ralph Nader goes to Al Ghadah and writes an article for Bin Laden on how to attack the US.

Oct. 25, 2005

- An Arabic television channel is being developed by the BBC / In 2007 it will broadcast 12 hours of publicly funded programming a day. 10 European language services will be eliminated.
- "Human Sciences", "Reading in English" means what?; Khorshid Khanoom / She is actually right. If you want to learn, you have to read it.

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That is the reason I convict Shirin Ebadi for her works after being awarded the Nobel Prize, because her works are narrative colonial paradigm. I have the same opinion towards Mehrangiz Carr, Azar Nafisi, Akbar Gnji, Ramin Jahanbegloo, Ahmad Batabi, Ali Afshari, Hossein Bastani and many more. I am not saying they are betrayers, because their benefit to colonial power is indirect and probably without their knowledge. But people like Reza Pahlavi, Mohsen Sazgara, Mehdi Khalaji and Abass Fakhravar, who provide services to colonial power directly and knowingly, are convicted, and the Islamic Republic can exercise its right to convict and punish them someday. As much as the US can reward them for their services.

But there are many other critics of the Islamic Republic and political activists whose narratives, either informed, or non-informed, even under the strong pressure of the structuralist wing of the government, are post-colonial paradigm. There are not too many out of Iran, but out of those in Iran, I can mention the names of Shadi Sadr and Emad Baghi.

I will write more about Shadi Sadr and the importance of her existence later, but she works as hard in the area of women's rights as the other women who call their activities a secular movement, and she also tolerates lots of pressure. However, contrary to the movement considered as "secular," her activities are based on a post-colonial paradigm. For this reason, ordinary people from Iran benefit from her activities more than they would from someone like Mehrangiz Carr, whose activities after leaving Iran benefit

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چندی پس از یک AFPC چند وقت پیش یک موسسهی دست راستی نزدیک به اسر ایبل به اسم «مرکز سیاست خارجی آمریکا» یا نشست یک روزه درباره ی «خطر ایران»، کمپین تبلیغاتی را شروع کرد که به مدت یک هفته مردم آمریکا را علیه خطر روزافزون انشست یک روزه درباره ی «خطر ایران»، کمپین تبلیغاتی را شبکههای سی ان آن، اس آن بی سی، هدلاین نیوز، و فاکس نیوز پخش ایران می ترساند این تبلیغهای سی ثانیه ای مداید شد ایران می ترساند و یدیوهای سی ثانیه ای ست ایران شد ایران

در آن کنفرانس (که در قالب برنامهی تازهی موسسه به نام «ازادی ایران» برگزار شد) مهدی خلجی به همر اه ایلان برمان، پاتریک کلاسن، و جیمز وولسی و چند نفر دیگر دربارهی خطر روزافزون جمهوری اسلامی و ریشههای آن برای حضار و خبرنگاران سخن کلاسن، و جیمز وولسی و چند نفر دیگر دربارهی خطر روزافزون جمهوری اسلامی و ریشههای آن برای حضار ان بینلید (گفتند. (ویدیوی تمام سخنرانی ها را ببیلید

مهدی خلجی، در حالی که برای خواندن روان از روی متن ترجمه شدهی انگلیسی مقالهاش عرق می ریخت، سعی کرد نشان دهد که چرا تغییر سیاسی از درون ایران غیر ممکن است و در نتیجه امریکا برای از بین بردن «تهدید روز افزون ایران بر ضد صلح جهانی» باید از طریق حمله ی نظامی یا تحریم اقتصادی و نه مذاکره راسا وارد عمل شود

من نمیدانم شما چه اسمی میخواهید روی کمک آگاهانهی فکری آقای خلجی به بیرحمترین و کثیف ترین دشمنان ایر ان و بشریت بگذارید. ولی میدانم که اگر خودم روزی با او روبرو شوم بجای سلام فقط یک تف بزرگ روی صورتش خواهم انداخت

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:حالا درستی و غلطی این ماجرا کنار. ولی این دوست ما مینویسد

مهدی خلجی تنها ایرانی است که هم برای دفتر خامنه ای (در روزنامه ی انتخاب) کار کرده است و هم برای دفتر دیک چینی (در موسسه های پژوهشی و اشنگتن) که تصمیم دارد محل کار چند سال پیش خلجی را، به اضافه ی هزاران مرد و زن و بچه ای که در اطراف آن زندگی میکنند، بمباران کند.

مهدی خلجی

2 نظر از خوانندگان * به این مطلب رای دهید

چند وقت پیش یک مومسهی دستر استی نزدیک به اسر ایبل به اسم «شواری سیاست خارجی آمریکا به اسم «شواری سیاست خارجی آمریکا» یا AFPC چندی پس از یک نشست یک روزه دربارهی «خطر ایران»، کمپین تبلیغاتی را شروع کرد که به مدت یک هفته مردم آمریکا را علیه خطر روزافزون ایران میترساند. این تبلیغهای سی ثانیه ای سی ثانیه ای تبلیغهای سی ان ان اس ان بی سی، هدلاین نیوز ، و فاکس نیوز پخش شدند. (یکی از ویدیوهای سی ثانیه ای ضد ایران AFPC را ببنید.)

در آن کنفرانس (که در قالب برنامهی تازهی موسسه به نام «آزادی ایران» برگزار شد) مهدی خلجی به همراه ایلان برمان، پاتریک کلاسن، و جیمز وولسی و چند نفر دیگر دربارهی خطر روزافزون جمهوری اسلامی و ریشههای آن برای حضار و خبرنگاران سخن گفتند. (ویدیوی تمام سخنرانیها را ببینید.)

مهدی خلجی، در حالی که برای خواندن روان از روی متن ترجمه شده ی انگلیسی مقاله اش عرق می ریخت، سعی کرد نشان دهد که چرا تغییر سیاسی از درون ایران غیر ممکن است و در نتیجه امریکا برای از بین بردن «تهدید روز افزون ایران بر ضد صلح جهانی» باید از طریق حمله ی نظامی یا تحریم اقتصادی و نه مذاکره راسا وارد عمل شود.

من نمیدانم شما چه اسمی میخواهید روی کمک آگاهانهی فکری آقای خلجی به بیر حمترین و کثیفترین دشمنان ایران و بشریت بگذارید. ولمی میدانم که اگر خودم روزی با او روبرو شوم بجای سلام فقط یک تف بزرگ روی صورتش خواهم انداخت.

ادامهی مطلب «مهدی خلجی» را بخوانید...

Excerpt: Mehdi Khalaji is the only person on the planet who has indirectly worked for both Khamanei's office and Cheney's in less than five years. His recent work for the right-wing American think tanks and his shameful endorsement and help to American Foreign Policy Council's disgusting anti-Iran campaign has made him the filthiest traitor I have ever seen in my life. I love to see his face (and that of similar traitors such as Mohsen Sazgara, Ali Afshari and to some degree Akbar Ganji) when the U.S. has no choice but to finally accept that its time in the Middle East has passed.

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- خشوئت پلیس در پاریس باعث آشوب شد
 این سرکوزی جاکش در این ماجراها مقضر است, راستی من دیروز تتصادفا همانجا بودم.
- هدفگرفتن ایران: نشستی با حضور اروند آبراهامیان و حمید دباشی، ۳۱ مارس در نیویورک
 - گفتگو با ایران؛ مستندی دربارهی سفر رهبران مذهبی آمریکایی به ایران
 - آمریکا و اروپا حق ایران را بر اساس NPT نقض میکنند؛ آلیستر کروک، پراسپکت جدید نیست، ولی خیلی خوب نوشته شده است.

+آق مهدی سیبیتان عقلت بودی. +روزمرگی ها اصلاً همه اهمیت و آزار روحی که این درست می کند از اهمیّتی است که +آرمانیکا خودمان به ان می دهیم. یاد متال کیف پول باش، کیف را باحنن عبی +خانم کار عقلانیّت است. هر قهرمان بازی دیگری حمافت ... +خانم کار **کیفت را که زدند هم عین عقلانیت است و هیچ حایش فشاری بر بو بیست** +اق بهمن که به کسی بگویی که کیفت را زدند. به هر که راحت تر بودی … او شاید +کوزه آسانتر آرامتر باشد، معقولتر برای بعدش برنامه بجیند. +ميم,بون حکایت جیب-بر <mark>داخل بانک و ناکستی را هم که می دانی؟ دست</mark> کستی در +چای ترکی **جیبت بود چه می کنی؟ داد** می زنی! بلند! ای چه غلطی می کند دست +تو برای نفت دادن آمدی نو در جیب من؟! بکش دستت را کنار ... داد می زنی بلند بر سرس: حه +هنوز فرقی دارد دستی به طرف جیب رفته باشد یا ... a-mother-from-gaza+ +نازلی دخت ایدین بعله...پس شما می فرمایید دست به ممه حرکت هست؟ اگر کسی +حنيف دست به ممه مان زد ما اول یک دادی سرش بزنیم بعد برای جلوگیری از +سگ خطر تجاوز خودمان پایمان را وا کنیم. به قول فرانسوی ها وقتی به تو تجاوز +همزاد می شود حالش را ببر، نه؟ irun+ واقعا شما پیمان جان نابغه ای این حتی به فکر من هم که کلی خودم این +سسما کاره ام هم نرسیده بود. +رندگی روک برت هوایی +ساز مخالف +اقای دکنر تاج دولتی 4/01/2007 05:50:00 PM : Sibil : Comments (13) | Trackback +دست نوشته ها +مريم اينانا مطلب را به بالاترین بفرستید 📛 +كسوف Thursday, March 29, 2007 +خودمونی +خودمونی +وبلاگ ہی ہی سی +گوراب من والّله فکر نمی کنم که مهدی خلجی در دفتر +گلی بایک خامنه ای کار می کرده اما حسین می گه کار +سفر به انتهای شب می کرده. فکر کنم منظورش روزنامه انتخاب +أشپزباشي هست (اگر اشتباه نکنم) که خوب از دفتر آقا +!!عقلانه يولش مي آمده. +رىلاگ سعىد +تکیں +نیستان همیشه یک اشاراتی به موجوداتی مثل مهدی خلجی کرده ام اما حسین دیگر زده است به +افسوب فسرده +پونسا



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مهدی خلجی تنها ایرانیاست که هم برای دفتر خامنهای کار کرده است و هم برای دفتر دیک چینی که تصمیم دارد محل کار چند سال پیش خلجی را، به اضافهی هزاران مرد و زن و بچهای که در اطراف آن زندگی میکنند، بمبارات کند.

چند وقت پیش یک موسسهی دستراستی نزدیک به اسراییل به اسم «مرکز سیاست خارجی امریکا» یا AFPC چندی پس از یک نشست یک روزه درباره**ی «خطر ایران»، ک**مپین تبلیغاتی را شروع کرد که به مدت یک هفته مردم آمریکا را علیه خطر روزافزون ایران می ترساند. این تبلیغهای سیثانیهای یک هفتهی تمام در شبکههای سی،ان.ان، اس.ان.بی.سی، هدلاین نیوز، و فاکس نیوز یخش شدند. (یکی از ویدبوهای سی نابیهای صد ایران AFPC را ببنید.)

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و شما همچنان وجود نبداشتید

به دلیل احساس نزدیکی که به خاطر شناخت ام به او دارم باید بگویم که تمام این تصمیم گیری های مهدی بر مبنای یک خودخواهی شدیدا اکزیستنشال و یک شارلاتانیسم محض در خواندن افکار ساتر (یا تخواندن افکار ساتر) است. یک بار دوستی مشترک برای من لینک نقل قول عبد الّله شهبازی از عبدالله مستوفی را که درباره علی دشتی نوشته بود فرستاد. در آن لینک پراگرافی توجه این دوست من را جلب کرده بود و او را یاد مهدی خلجی انداخته بود. از خواندش به قدری خندیدم که دلم نیامد شما نخوانیدش:

"جذیتر از همه آن ها شغتی سرخ بود که به صدیری و قلم علی دشتی کار تحلق به سردار سپه را به جاهای بازیک رسانده و، چنانکه دیدم، برخلاف هر اصل مسلمی نظامیان را به روی ملّت واداشته و مردم را به سرنیزه سردار سپه میترساند. خدا نکند آخوند اصول مسلم درسی سابق خود را کنار بگذارد. دیگر به هیچ حدّ و سدّی و اصل مسلمی پابند نمیکند و اگر ذوق نویسندگی هم داشته باشد که واویلا! آنچه به تصور در نیاید از دم قلمش بیرون میریزد. به عقیده من، خسارتی که کشور از این قماش بیچه آخوندهای سیاستباف دیمی دیده است از هر چیز بیشتر بیشتر

با این حال من آدمی به باهوشی مهدی خلجی کم دیده ام. ایراد بزرگ اش این هست که جاه طلب و از آن بدتر راحت طلب و برای این راحت طلبی همه کاری می کند.

حاشیه: دلم برای حسین تنگ شده با وجود اینکه حسابی از دستش این روز ها سکته کرده ام. کاش می شد آدم در روابط شخصی بی خیال سیاست می شد. شما بدانید که این حسین کس خل را من به هر حال دوست دارم...

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Wednesday, March 28, 2007

چه نشسته اید و تخمه می شکنید اهالی باشتین...مه مه را لولو برد

یکی از دلایلی که من صبح تا شب به این آق مهدی سیبستان بد و بیراه می گم و اصولاً یک کپی از عکس اش را روی دیوار گذاشته ام و از آن به عنوان هدف دارت استفاده می کنم این هست که این آبجی ما معصومه خانم ناصری را سر کار گذاشته است و ما دیگر بمی توانیم بدون واسطه با ایشان ارتباط بر قرار کنیم.

وبلاگ میم.نون دیر زمانی است که درش تخته شده و خوب هرزگاهی یک آتشی از نوک آتشفشان بیرون می زند.

از معصومه بخوانید

الاًن که این پست را مینویسم نصف بیشتر ایرانیها در سفرند. از شمال و چالوس و مثل قو و انزلی و آستارا تا جنوب و بوشهر و اهواز و آبادان و البته یک تعدادی هم اینور و آنور پراکندهاند. آنها هم که سفر نرفتهاند مشغول دید و بازدید عید و بحث وگفتگو درباره این هستند که پرتقال تأمپسوب امسال کیلویی نهصد تومان بود و موز یکدفعه چقدر بالا کشیده و آجیل چقدر گران شده و ... واقعیتش این است که الان اوضاع واقعاً خراب است. یک طرف سیاستمداران کلهخراب ایرانی ایستادهاند و به سبک و سیاق

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ربیسشه اینیا تو حراق دارند کیر زنگ رده اسریکایی ها را میمکند یا ساک میزنند فکر میکنند اگر حمله
کنه میریزند تو ایران و مثل مجاهدین عراقی که بعد از صدام عراق را گایدنند
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گروه سوم مردمیکه دنبال شهرنو درست کردنند کافه بزنند و....این سه گروه جمعشان همان تحاد طرفداران هخا ست ...تازه اسریکا که تا دسته تو عراق از سنی عربها بماتحتش رفته حالا شبعه ها و کردها دست باسلحه

نبردند که هیچ بامریکا کمک میکنند ایران که ۴۰در صد شیعه است امریکا بکی کمک کنه برجوی یا رضا یقلوی!؟ این انگلیسی ها را دستگیر کرد و بتونی بلیر گنت برو گزرتو بخور # | am رفیق حسیس | 5:37 -03.30.07

اقای درخشان ..واش تف انداختن بصورت یک ایرانی خان نشان از ازاد منشی ات داره ، تو امریکا سالهای هفتاد که اوج جنگ ویتنام بود هفته نامه تایم اسامی نوزده سرباز امریکایی که بویت کنگها پیوسته بودند!!را نوشته بود که باعث سر و صدای مردم ضد کمونیست و و طنیرستهای دو اتشه شده بود ، ایکاش فرصت داشتی نوشته بود ند اجساد انها هر گز باسریکای ها را نوشته بودند اجساد انها هر گز باسریکا نباید بیاید و پدر و مادر های انها همگی از خانه هایشان بجاهایی رفته بودند که مردم انها را نشناسند بعضی نوشته بودند حسد انها را بسوزانند!!تا عبرتی شود بدیگر خیانت کاران وحسین اقا دارم از کشوری مینویسم که خودشو ارباب دمکراسی میداند ...تازه امروز پیر مردهای سیاه پوست را بخاطر جنگیدن مقابل نازیها میتودند و نوشتند سیاهان امریکا جدا از سفید پوستان !!!میجنگیدند اخه سگ بشاشه باین دمکراسی که همین میتودند و نوشتند سیاهان امریکا جدا از سفید پوستان !!!میجنگیدند اخه سگ بشاشه باین دمکراسی که همین میتودند و نوشتند سیاهان امریکا جدا از سفید پوستان !!!میجنگیدند اخه سگ بشاشه باین دمکراسی که همین Sadegh | 03.30.07 - 6:31 am |

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است کلونیال بودن: چرا خمینی قهرمان من شده است (March öl. 2007)

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این نوشته، بالطف منتقدان و کامنتگذاران، به مرور در حال نقیق تر شدن است.

یکی از دوستان در جایی نوشته:

Excerpt: Briefly, what has caused the recent change in my views and perspectives is this: I don't see myself and the world around me through colonialism. I have entered the paradigm of post-colonialism, or post-Imperialsm, if you like, depending on whether you see Imperialism as the new form of colonialism in the 20th century.

مشکل حسین ، بینش خیر و شری اوست که دنیا را به دو نیم تقسیم کرده: امپریالیسم و ضد آن طبق این ایدنولوژی، هر انتقاد، هر صدای مخالف، هر دادخواهی، علیه نظام تنوکراتیک ، چه داخل چه خارج از ایران، همه یک جا و یک کاسه، در حوزه ع «انقلاب مخملی» قرار می گیرند روشنفکران معترض، وبلاگ نویسان ناراضی، حقوق بشری ها، یا سرشان به جائی بند است و به طور رسمی مواجب می گیرند یا، از نظر حسین، چنان ساده لوح و ابله اند که صاف می افتند توی دام امپراتوری دیگر فرق نمی کند که خبرنگار فمینیست داخل ایران باشد، فعال حقوق بشر باشد، یا ایران باشد، فعال حقوق بشر باشد، یا فخراور، میلانی، و غزل امید نتیجه، عملی و «عینی» همه شان یکی است.»

این انتقادی است که خیلی وقت است از من می شود و من با تنبلی هرگز درست و حسابی به آن جواب نداده ام. البته هنوز ابزار تئوریک کافی هم برای درست آن ندارم و دارم کمکم با تئوری خواندن آن را به دست می آورم. به علاوه، اینجا هم نمی خواهم مقاله ی دانشگاهی بنویسم. ولی فرصت خوبی است که خیلی مختصر حداقل سرنخی به آدم هایی که هاج و واج مانده اند که چطور باید مرا و مواضع تازه ام را توضیح بدهند، ارایه کنم. پیشاپیش به خاطر زبان عطاقور تداده ای که متاسفانه برای نوشتن درباره ی تئوری در فارسی فعلا گریزی از آن نیست، عذر می خواهم.

درست است. از زمانی که به ورسیون ۰ ر۴ رسیدهام، از دیدم آدمها (و به تبع آن حکومتها) در دو پاردایم زندگی میکنند: کلنیال و یستکلئیال*.

کلنیال (Colonial) پارادایمی است که در آن روایت (Narrative) و دید (Point of view) را قدرت کلنیال (Colonializer) قبضه کرده است. آدمها و کشورها خودشان را در سایهی این روایت تعریف میکنند و جهان پیرامون را هم از آن دیدگاه میبینند.

یست کلنیال (Post-colonial)، در مقابل، پارادیمی است که در آن روایت و دید آدمها و کشورها از سلطهی

قدرت كلنيال بيرون است.

برای من انقلاب ایران یک انقلاب پستکلنیال است و جمهوری اسلامی از معدود کشورهایی در کل دنیا است که در پارادایم پست کلنیالیزم طراحی شده است، البته بدون اینکه طراحانش الزاما به آن آگاه باشند. (معنیای که نویسندهی متن از آن در ذهن دارد اهمیت کمتری دارد از معنیای که خوانندهی آن متن از آن برداشت میکند.)

پستکلنیالیزم زاییده **ی پست استراکچرالیزم** است و از این رو به خودش اجازه میدهد که ارزشهای «جهانشمول» (Universal values) را که بر اساس روایت مسلط (Meta-narrative) ساخته می شوند، به چالش بگیرد و تعریف و برداشت خودش را از دنیای بیرون ارایه بدهد.

درست در همین جا تناقض مفاهیمی مثل جمهوری و اسلامی از بین میروند و مفهومی به اسم «جمهوری اسلامی» مشروعیت پیدا میکند. چون با برداشتی پستاستراکچرالیستی، معنی هر کدام از این کلمات با معنیای که زیر سلطهی قدرت کلنیال میدهند فرق میکند.

«جمهوری» الزاما چیزی نیست که مثلا انقلاب فرانسه تعریف میکند و «اسلام» هم آن نیست که اورینتالیستهای اروپایی تعریف میکنند.

یک ایرانی میتواند در قرن بیستم با برداشت خودش (که طبعتا تحت تاثیر هزار چیز در اطرافش است) جوری «اسلام» و «جمهوری» را بخواند (یا تفسیر و تعییر کند) که نه تنها در ذهن که حتی در عین (دنیای بیرونی) هم امکان یذیر باشد.

روح اله خمینی نخستین مسلمانی است که جرات این خوانش پست کلنیال و پست استراکچر الیست را نه تنها در تئوری دارد، بلکه در عمل هم امکان پذیر بودن آن را نشان میدهد و با ویژنی استثنایی حکومتی را معماری میکند که هم جمهوری است و هم اسلامی، و حداقل توانسته برای ۲۸ سال دوام بیاورد، و آرام آرام نه تنها مشروعیت و کارایی داخلیاش را بالا ببرد، بلکه بیش از همیشه سلطهی قدرت کلنیال را در منطقهی دور و برش به چالش بگیرد.

خمینی برای من از این زاویه قهرمان است. و دنیا هنوز زود است که این را بفهمد. بخصوص که قدرت کلنیال، تصویر او را به عنوان ر هبر بیمانندترین حرکت سیاسی پستکلنیال در جهان، بخاطر ماجرای گروگانگیری و فتوای سلمان رشدی به گند کشیده است. ولی ۲۰، ۳۰ سال دیگر وقتی دنیا از تسلط پروپاگاندای هرروزهی آمریکا بیرون بیاید، خمینی را به عنوان یک قهرمان بیرقیب پست کلنیالیزم خواهد پذیرفت.

این حرف امروز من نیست. اگر گفتگوی پارسالم را با اوری گلدیرگ اسراییلی گوش کنید در آن دقیقا همین حرف ها را میزنم و شاید باورتان نشود که او هم تا حد زیادی همین عقیده را درباره ی خمینی و جمهوری اسلامی دارد. گوشش بدهید تا خودتان بشنویدش.

من تا حدود یک سال و نیم پیش این طوری فکر نمیکردم. آرشیو وبلاگم را که بخوانید کاملا در پارادیم کلنیال و با روش استراکچر الیستی میاندیشیدم. ولی آرام آرام با خواندن و سفر کردن وارد پارادیم تازه شدم و از آن به بعد همه چیز فرق کرده است.

البته هنوز هم دارم میخوانم و باید بسیار بیشتر از این تئوری بخوانم تا بنوانم بهتر منظورم را توضیح دهم. ولی همین دریافتهای تازه به اندازهای موثر بودهاند که من با جهشی بزرگ به درک جدیدی از خودم و دنیای بیرونم برسم.

ولمي الان بايد مسيري را كه جهيدهام عقبگرد كنم و با خواندن و فكر كردن اين مسير را پياده برگردم تا بتوانم

مرحله به مرحله توضيح دهم كه چطور به اينجا رسيدهام.

برای همین در این یکی، دو سال قضاوتم هم دربارهی درستی و نادرستی حرفها و کارهای آدمها بر اساس این پاردایم جدید تغییر کرده است. من قبلا خودم را هم به عنوان یک ایرانی از دید فرنگیها می دیدم و روایت یا داستان خودم را هم که یعنی از کجا آمدهام، کجا هستم و کجا قرار است بروم بر اساس روایت مسلط (-Meta (narrative) فرنگی میساختم.

در بین نیروهای سیاسی داخل و خارج ایران، تنها گروهی که توانسته بیشتر از همه در عین مقاومت دربرابر سلطه ی استراکچر الیستهای داخلی (یعنی محافظه کاران سنتی) خودش را در پارادیک پستکانیال تعریف کند جبهه ی مشارکت امروزی است، بخصوص حالا که استراکچرالیست هایی مثل عبدی و گنجی و تحکیم و حدتی ها از آن دور شدهاند.

در بین سیاستمداران هم خاتمی از هم بیشتر این را می فهمد و به نظر من می شود گفت که او ورسیون ۲۰۰۷ خمینی است و اگر هم دقت کنید برای همین او به تنهایی جمهوری اسلامی را که پس از مرگ خمینی، بخاطر برداشت استراکچرالیستی رفسنجانی و خامنه ای داشت نابود می شد، دوباره زنده و سرپا کرد. برای همین خاتمی بهترین نامزد برای جانشینی خامنه ای است.

ملاک من برای موافقت یا مخالفت با فعالان سیاسی ایران هم همین است که آنها خود و فعالیتشان را در کدام پاردایم تعریف میکنند، کلنیال یا پستکلنیال.

برای همین من بطور سمبولیک شیرین عبادی پس از نوبل را محکوم میکنم، چرا که کار هایش را در پارادیم کلنیال تعریف میکند. مهرانگیز کار و آذر نفیسی و اکبر گنجی و رامین جهانبگو و احمد باطبی و علی افشاری و حسین باستانی و خیلیهای دیگر هم همین طور. نمی گویم که آنها خاین اند، چون سودی که به قدرت کلنیال میرسانند هنوز غیر مستقیم و شاید هم ناآگاهانه است. ولی آدم هایی مثل رضا پهلوی، محسن سازگارا و مهدی خلجی و عباس فخر آور بطور مستقیم و آگاهانه به مرکز قدرت کلنیال سرویس می دهند محکوم اند و جمهوری اسلامی حق دار د روزی آنها را محاکمه و مجازات کند. همان اندازهای که آمریکا می تواند برای خدمتی که می کنند به آنها باداش بدهد.

ولی بسیاری از منتقدان جمهوری اسلامی و فعالان سیاسی دیگر هستند که حتی زیر فشار بسیاری که بخش استراکچر الیست حکومت رویشان میآورد، آگاهانه یا ناآگاهانه، خودشان را در پارداریم پستکلئیال تعریف کردهاند. تعدادشان البته در خارج از ایران خیلی کم است، ولی در ایران به عنوان بهترین نمونههای آنها را میتوان از شادی صدر و عماد باقی نام برد.

دربارهی شادی صدر و اهمیت وجودیاش بعدا باید بیشتر بنویسم. ولی او هم در زمینهی حقوق زنان هر روز دارد به اندازهی زنانی که جنبش خودشان را سکولار میدانند زحمت میکشد و فشارهای فراوان تحمل میکند، ولی بر خلاف جنبشی که خودش را «سکولار» مینامد، فعالیتش در پاردایم پست کانیال است و برای همین سودش برای مردم کوچه و بازار ایران بیشتر از کسی مثل مهرانگیز کار است که از وقتی ایران را ترک کرد دیگر نفعی که به آمریکاییها (برای تولید بهانه برای فشار به ایران) میرساند بیشتر از نفعی است که به مردم خودش، زنانی که به دفتر و کلاتش در تهران میآمدند، میرساند.

این چند وقت دوست و آشنا تئوریهای توطئهی خندهداری راجع به اینکه چه شده من این همه تغییر کردهام ساخته اند. متاسفانه بیشترشان هم از روی تنبلی ذهنی در دم دستنرین سناریو متوقف می شوند که همانا جاسوس بودن یا عامل بودن من برای ایران یا اسراییل یا هر جای دیگر است. بعضیهای دیگر می گویند که من چون می خواهم به ایران برگردم اینها را می گویم. بعضیهای دیگر هم مخالفت من را با آمریکا به مشکلی که در مرز برایم بیش آوردند تقلیل می دهند.

ولمی امیدوارم بعد از این توضیح نسبتا مفصل باور کنید که اینها واقعا عقاید تازهی من است و کلی فکر پشتش است. از روی شکم یا خوردن سرم به دیوار یا ارعاب و تطمیع اینها را ننوشتهام و اگر تک تک نوشتههای یکی دو سال اخیرم را کنار هم بگذارید، این چسب تئوریکی که در بالا دادم همه را به هم میچسباند و میبینید که چطور آرام آرام این تحول اتفاق افتاده است.

ولى اين تازه شروع راه در پاردايم جديد است و اين سختار تنوريكى كه ساختهام خيلى هنوز خام و پر از اشكال است. بهرحال تازهواردم و كلى بايد بخوانم. ولى خب، مهم اين است كه بالاخره در ٣٢ سالگى فهميدم دنيا دست كيست.

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جان هر کس دوست دارید لطفا یک کمی عادتهای فکریتان را بشکنید. اگر وزارت اطلاعات ده هزار بار دیگر هم قبلا دیگران را شکنجه کرده باشد، این بار راجع به جهانبگلو خطای فاحشی نکرده است.

حرفهایی که جهانبگلو زده است دروغ نیستند که مجبور شده باشد به زور ارعاب و تهدید بیانشان کرده باشد. همهی فعالان سیاسی ایرانیای که در خارج از ایران زندگی میکنند میدانند که الان میلیاردها دلار و یورو پول در دنیا ریخته برای اینکه به گرودهای سیاسی گوناگون با برنامههای گوناگون کمک کنند که خاورمیانه و بخصوص ایران را بهتر بفهمند و بتوانند آن را پیشبینی کنند یا در آن تغییراتی بدهند.

منتها مساله این است که اگر کسی خودش را قانع کرده است که به این گروهها کمک کند، این کمک فکری در نهایت به چه برنامهی عملی تبدیل خواهد شد و چه کسی از آن استفاده خواهد کرد. البته فهمیدن این سخت است.

برای همین رامین تا حدی حق دارد وقتی میگوید از او سوءاستفاده کردهاند و نتایج کار های آکادمیکش آخر سر به کار ماموران اطلاعاتی و دولتی آمریکایی -- که اتفاقا تعدادشان در محیطهای آکادمیک و اتاقهای فکری فراوان است -- آمده است. چون بقول خودش وقتی در ایران هیچ مدرس غیر خودی را دیگر به دانشگاه راه نمی دهند، آدمهای باسواد و دنیادیدهای مثل رامین که فقط میتوانند بنویسند و بخوانند زندگیشان را چطور تامین کنند. آدم کمی برایشان کار میکند و بعد در آن غرق میشود و یادش میرود که سرش را بیاورد بالا و ببیند سود این کار برای چه کمی است.

با این حال، کاری کمکی که رامین و خیلیهای دیگر که ما اسمشان را هم نشنیدهایم در قالب آکادمیسین، فعال حقوق بشر و فعال سازمان غیر دولتی به سیاستگذاران دستراستی آمریکا میکنند، اصلا قابل توجیه نیست. یک لحظه تعصباتتان را کنار بگذارید و ماجرا را بر عکس کنید. فکر کنید که یک سری آمریکایی بطور مخفیانه به ماموران امنیتی و وزارتخارجهی چین مشورت و اطلاعات بدهند و به آنها کمک کنند که چطور میتوانند حکومت آمریکا را با مقاومت مدنی از هم بیاشند، اقلیتهای نژادیاش را بر ضد حکومت بشورانند و دولتی دستنشاندهی چین در آن برقرار کنند. انتظار دارید آمریکا با این جریان و شهروندان آمریکایی همراه با آن چه کند؟

جهانبگلو به گفته ی خودش و شهادت زنش شکجه ی جسمی و روانی نشده است (که البته تا وقتی از راه دیگری ثابت نشود نمی توان الزاما آن را پذیرفت)، کم و بیش به خانوادهاش دسترسی داشته و به قول خودش به هیچ وکیلی اعتماد نداشته تا کار وکالت را به او بسپارد. حالا هم آمده بیرون و بدون اینکه ذرهای چاپلوسی یا تناقض در حرف هایش دیده شود میگوید که بخاطر محدودیت های اکادمیک و اقتصادی گول آمریکایی ها را خورده و بعد هم در آن غرق شده است.

بر عکس چیزی که ذهن تنبل همه دوست دارد تحلیل کند، رامین جهانبگلو بخاطر فعالیت روشنفکر انهاش دستگیر نشده است. او خیلی ساده داشته با مطالعهی تطبیقی بین ایران و اروپای شرقی به آمریکایی ها در عمل مشورت میداده که چطور میتوانند بدون حملهی نظامی و از داخل جمهوری اسلامی را سرنگون کنند.

استدلالم را ساده نکنید. نمیگویم هر جور مشاوره به هر کسی که طرف جمهوری اسلامی ایران نباشد نادرست است. در آمریکا الان دو سیاست رقیب درباره ی ایران وجود دارد که هر از گاهی یکی بالا میآید و دیگری پایین میرود. یکی «تغییر رژیم» یا براندازی ایران است که به دو شاخه ی براندازی از راه نظامی و براندازی از راه «انقلاب مخملین» یا نافرمانی مدنی (که گنجی با بلاهت تمام دنبال آن است) یا فروپاشی اجتماعی تقسیم میشود. یکی هم تغییر رفتار حکومت ایران است با افزایش تعامل و گفتگو و روابط اقتصادی.

فقط دقت کنید که «تغییر رژیم» یا بر اندازی (Regime change) اینجا یک اصطلاح است و معنی خاصی میدهد که با معنی لغوی آن که یعنی تغییر کلی حکومت فرق دارد. بعدا راجع به آن مینویسم.

تمام اتاقهای فکر و سازمانهای اکادمیک و نیمه آکادمیک امریکا و اروپا که دربارهی ایران کار میکنند تقریبا مشخص است که کدام این سیاستها را دنبال میکنند. ولی جالب است که تقریبا تمام ایر انیهایی که این او اخر به آمریکا رفته اند همه به مراکز طرفدار براندازی پیوسته اند.

مثلا واشنگتن انستیتوت که مهدی خلجی و سازگارا برایش کار میکنند یا کردهاند اشکار ا طرفدار «تغییر رژیم» ایران حتی از روش نظامی است. (فکرش را بکنید که مهدی خلجی هم برای روزنامهی انتخاب مرتبط با دفتر خامنهای کار فکری کرده است و هم برای جایی که میخواهد آن دفتر را با بمب نابود کند. چه سیستم اخلاقی به همپیوستهای.)

یا مثلا تحکیم وحدتیهای قدیم مثل افشاری و عطری و خیلیهای دیگر از جوانترها به مرکز جمع آوری اسناد حقوق بش رزیر نظر رامین احمدی پیوستهاند که سیاست پنهانش براندازی است و اگر به این نکته شک دارید بلایی را که سر عماد باقی آوردند در واشنگتن پست بخوانید.

ولی در مقابل مرکزی که عباس میلانی در دانشگاه استنفورد دارد، تا جایی که من میدانم، دنبال بر اندازی نیست و بیشتر میخواهد که آمریکا از راه افزایش تعامل رفتار ایران را تغییر دهد. ولی این را هنوز زیاد مطمئن نیستم.

اصولا الان طرفداری از حملهی نظامی مثل خودکشی سیاسی می ماند و برای همین فکر نکنید وقتی رضا پهلوی یا گنجی می گویند با حمله مخالف اند خیلی حرف مهم و گنده ای زده اند. الان حتی آمریکایی های طرفدار این سیاست هم در اقلیت محض اند. بنابر این تمام برنداز آن الان فقط به روش هایی مانند نافر مانی مدنی و فرویاشی اجتماعی و امثال آنها فکر می کنند که شباهت زیادی دارد با روشی که در کشور های اروپای شرقی باعث سرنگونی دولت های کمونیستشان شد.

برای همین است که میگویم گنجی نادان است. از یک طرف ژست ضد بوش میگیرد و از آن طرف از محبوبترین برنامهی براندازی آنها به روش اروپای شرقی یا همان نافرمانی مدنی دفاع میکند. این تناقض را آخر چطور میتوان توضیح داد؟

رامین جهانبگلو شانس آورد که در ایران زندگی میکرد و دست وزارت اطلاعات به او میرسید تا بتواند حیثیتش را برای آینده نجات دهد و جلوی تبدیل شدنش را به یک محسن سازگارای دیگر گرفت. ولی در عین حال باید شجاعت و صداقتش را ستود که بدون اینکه عزت نفسش را لگدمال کند و به تناقضگویی بیفتد به اشتباهش اقرار کرده است. باید از او بیاموزیم.

تازه در همین باره:

- دولت هلند: مسوول فشار تازه روى فعالان مدنى
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 - ماجراهای احمد باطبی
 - برمي گردم و می چنگم، اگر حمله کنند
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alireza : عزیز من شما مغرضانه قضاوت می کنی. از امریکا و عملکرد دولت این کشور در قبال خودت ناراحتی اقای درخشان ,و از اینکه ان برخورد را با شما کرده اند به خشم امده ای. بچه 2 ساله هم می فهمد که جهانبگلو تحت فشار بسیار ان حرف ها را زده است. با عقل ناقص هم این مطلب را می توان فهمید. چطور ممکن ادمی تا از زندان از اد شد به سراغ خبرگزاری ها برود و زن و بچه اش در این میان در اولویت بعدی باشد. چگونه برای خود این مسئله را توجیح می کنید. چرا خودتونو به اون راه میزنید. حالا با دولت امریکا مشکل پیدا کرده ای حقو که نمی تونی زیر پا بگذاری جای تاسف داره جوانهای با افکار شما هستند که مانع می شوند جمهوری اسلامی هر چه سریعتر به سرنوشت محتوم خود نزدیک شود. البته شما تاوان خواهید .این تهدید نیست. تحقق و عده خداوند است.

روزبه: یه زمانی ایرج میرز برای عارف گفته بود:چرا در روی یک خویش تو مو نیست.....چرا هر کس که خویش توست کونیست چرا هر جا که یک بی ریش باشد......تو را فالفور قوم و خویش باشد حالا شده حکایت تو و جمهوری اسلامی.چرا هر کس یا هر کاری که نقد،مخالفت و ... نظام مقدس جمهوری اسلامی و خامنه ای رو به صورت بنیادین مطرح می کنه تو مسوول به لجن کشیدنش میشی از سازگارا،گنجی،افشاری،تحکیم،محمدی و خیلی های دیگه بگیر برو و هر جا هم که پای منافع نظام سیاسی در میان باشد هم باز تو سینه چاکش میشی حضورت در تهران برای تبلیغ شرکت در انتخابات که خودم از ندیک شاهدش بودم تو میدون هفت تیر و اسه تبلیغ رای دادن بعدش با سفرت به اسراییل چه هم سنخی داره.چرا به همه نیروهای مستقل بخاطر حضور در امریکا فحش می دی ولی خاتمی رو چون ائمده از نظام دفاع می کنه تو امریکا امریکا فحش می کنی؟حالا هم که ماله کشی کثافت کاری اطلاعات جمهوری اسلامی تو این اعترافات تابلو دکتر جهانبگلو. من اصولا تهل تئوری توهم نوطنه نیستم ولی در مورد تو واقعا امیدوارم بابت این توجیهات درخشان کارهای این جانی ها یه چیزی هم گیرت اومده باشه از مرهمت هاشون چون کارهای این جانی ها یه چیزی هم گیرت اومده باشه از مرهمت هاشون چون ماله کشی گه کاری یکی دیگه اونم مقتی واقعا فضاحت باره! من اصولا

شاهین: آقای درخشان دست کم برای نوشتن این مقاله یک معذر تخواهی بزرگ به رامین جهانبگلو و دیگر زندانیان و همچنین خوانندگان خود مدیون هستید. شما خروس بی محلید یا عامل جمهوری اسلامی؟ صحبت من اصلا این نیست که هسته حرفهای شما در ست است یا نه که البته بزودی برشما ثابت خواهد شد که نیست. صحبت بر سر کارکرد مقاله شماست. این حرفها را یا یک آدم ساده لوح - که شما نیستید - می تواند بگوید یا کسی که ریگی در کفش داشته باشد. من دوست دارم تصور کنم که شما فقط یک گاف بزرگ زده اید و برای

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Oct. 25, 2005

- تلویزیون عربی بی.بی.سی راه می افتد؛ بی.بی.سی / در سال ۲۰۰۷، با دوازده ساعت برنامه در روز و با بودجهی عمومی. در عوض ۱۰ زبان اروپایی تعطیل خواهند شد.
 - علوم انسانی خواندن به انگلیسی یعنی چه؛ خورشید خانوم / واقعا راست میگوید. باید تجربه کنید تا بفهمید.

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آخرین نتایج ریزهخواری یك طلبه سابق از دربار ملكه انگلیس!

وي كه همواره تلاش كرده به واسطه حدود 5 سال حضور جسته و گريخته در دروس طلبگي، خود را كارشناس مسايل حوزوي جا زده و با كسب عنوان طلبه چپكرده خود را در خارج از كشور منحصر به فرد جلوه دهد، اين درخواست را در كمپين تبليغاني يك موسسه دستراستي نزديك به اسراييل مطرح كرده است.

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یك طلبه سابق كه با حمایتهای معاون اسبق دفتر تبلیغات قم تلاش كرد به یك چهره مطبوعـاتي تبـدیل شود، در تـازهنریـن اقدام خود خواستار حمله آمریكا به ایران شده است!

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به گزارش خبرنگار بازتاب، خلجي که چندي پيش برادرش خودکشي کرد و همواره نلاش کرده به واسطه حدود 5 سال حضور جستهو گريخته در دروس طلبگي، خود را کارشناس مسايل حوزوي جا زده و با کسب عنوان طلبه جپکرده خـود را در خـارح از کشـور منحصر به فرد جلوه دهد، اين درخواست را در کمپين تبليغاتی يک موسسه دسـتراسـتی نزديک به اسـراييل مطـرح کرده اسـت.

> بنا بر این گزارش، فرد مذکور که زندگی پر فرازونشیبی! را طی کرده و از قم به تهران و سپس لندن و پاریس و واشنگتن منتقل شده، ابتدا با یکی از دانشجویان جامعةالزهرا(س) ازدواج کرد، اما پس از چندی با حضور در روزنامه انتخاب م.ف از همسرش جدا شده و با دختری دیگر ازدواج کرد، اما پس از آن که به همراه این خانم به بهانه تحصیل به فرانسه رفت، او را هم طلاق داد و گفته میشود اکنون با شخص سومی ازدواج کرده است.

> فرد مذکور که مدتي را صرف سرویس دادن به دستگاه حکومتي انگلیس کرده است، اکنون کار را به جایي رسانده که حتي حسین درخشان، روزنامهنگار خارجنشین و حلقه وصل شماري از روزنامهنگاران فراري اپوزیسیون هم او را به باد انتقاد گرفته و ضمن

نسبت دادن روزنامه انتخاب به دفتر رهبري مينويسد: «مهدى حلجى تنها ايرانىاست كه هم براى دفتر [آيتالله]خامــهاى (در روزنامهانتخاب) كار كرده است و هم براى دفتر ديك چينى (در موسسههاى پژوهشـى واشـنگتن) كـه تصـميم دارد محـل كار چند سال پيش خلجى را، به اضافه هزاران مرد و زن و بچهاى كه در اطراف آن زندگى مىكنند، نمباران كند.

چند وقت پیش یک موسسه دستراستی نزدیک به اسراییل به اسم «شواری سیاست خارجی آمریکا» یا AFPC چندی پس از یک نشست یک روزه درباره «خطر ایران»، کمبین تبلیغاتی را شروع کرد که به مدت یک هفته مردم آمریکا را علیه خطر روزافزون ایران میترساند. این ببلیعهای سیتانیهای یک هفته تمام در شبکههای سلی.ان.ان، اس.ان.بلی.سلی، هدلایل نیوز، و فاکس نیوز پخش شدند.

در آن کنفرانس (که در قالب برنامه تازه موسسه به نام «آزادی ایران» برگزار شد) مهدی خلجی به همراه ایلان برمان، پاتریک کلاسن، و جیمـز وولســی و چنـد نفـر دیگـر دربـاره خطـر روزافـزون جمهـوری اســلامی و ریشــههـای آن بـرای حضـار و خبرنگاران سخن گفتند.

مهدی خلجی، در حالی که برای خواندن روان از روی متن ترجمهشده انگلیستی مقالهاش عرق میزیعت. سعی کرد بشیات دهد که چرا تغییر سیاستی از درون ایران غیر ممکن است و در نتیجه آمریکا برای از بین باردن «تهدیند روزافرون ایران بار ضد صلح جهانی» باید از طریق حمله نظامی یا تحریم اقتصادی و نه مذاکره راسا وارد عمل شود.



من نمیدانم شما چه اسمی میخواهید روی کمک آگاهانه فکری آقای خلجی به بیرحمترین و کثیفترین دشمنان ایران و بشریت بگذارید. ولی میدانم که اگر خودم روزی با او روبـرو شــوم، بجـای ســلام فقـط یـک تـف بـزرگ روی صـورتش خوا هم انداخت.»

واكنش حسين درخشان

سردبیر محترم «بازتاب»،

وبسایت بازتاب اقدام به انتشار مجدد مطلبی از وبلاگ من، «سردبیر:خودم»، دربارهی مهدی خلجی کرده است. خود این کار به خودی خود اشکالی ندارد و هرکسی میتواند به شرط ذکر منبع، استفادهی غیر انتفاعی و حـذف و اضافه نکـردن بـه متن آن را دوباره منتشر کند.

ولی متاسفانه دبیران بازتاب که وبسیایتی انتفاعی است مطلب مین را برداشیته و با افزودن اطلاعاتی درباره یرندگی شخصی آقای خلجی که به هیچ کسی ربطی ندارد آن را منتشر کردهاند، بدون اینکه به منبع آن لینک بدهند. این خلاف قاعدهای است که من برای استفاده از محتوای وبسایتم، بر اساس بروانه یک کریتیو کامنز، طراحی کردهام و از این نظر بازتاب مرتکب خلافی اخلاقی و قانونی شده است.

همچنین، دبیران بازتاب بدون هیچ مدرک و سندی به من اتهام زدهاند که من «حقلهی وصل شماری از روزنامه نگاران فراری اپوزیسیون» هستم. ولی به گمانم یادشان رفته که همین مهدی خلجی که من با چنین صراحتی نکوهیدهام خودش دقیقا نمونهی بزرگی از همین «روزنامه نگاران فراری اپوزیسیون» است.

من مدتهاست که از طرف همین روزنامهنگاران فراری بخاطر انتقاداتم به روش و دیدگاه آنها بایکوت شدهام.

طبیعتا مسوولیت اتهامات دیگری که بازتاب به مهدی خلجی و روزنامهی انتخاب زده است من نیستم و آوردن این اتهامـات در کنار مطلب مستند من (که باز هم بیشتر لینکـهای آن حذف شده است) کاری بهاخلاق و بهقانون خطا است.

امیدوارم دبیران بازتاب، حالا که با تلاشی تحسینبرانگیز از چنگال سانسور دولت آقای احمدینزاد درآمده است، سعی کنند ارزشهای کلیدی روزنامهنگاری، یعنی دقت، بیطرفی و عدالت را بیشتر رعایت کنند.

در شرایطی که تقریبا تمام رسانههای غربی به ابزار پر<mark>وپاگاندای آمریکا</mark> تبدیل شدهاند، وجود و رشد رسانههای فابل اعتماد ایرانی به نفع همهی ماست.

> با احترام، حسین درخشان

بازتاب:

بازتاب در گزارش فوق ضمن ارائه اطلاعاتي درباره يك طلبه سابق، از مطلب آقاي درخشان هم استفاده كرده و آن را به رسم امانت به طور كامل در گيومه آورده است. بـه نظـر مــيرســد ايشــان بيـش از همـه از انتـصاب عنـوان حقلـه وصــل شــمارى از روزنامهنگاران فرارى اپوزيسـيون دلگير شـدهاند. ضمن آن كه در اين مطلب اتهامي متوجه روزنامه انتخاب بشـده اسـت.

کد خبر: ۶۳۹۰۰

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<mark>من از فشار دیپلماتیک بر ایران دفاع میکنم و وضع نجربمها</mark>نی را که چکومت اینزان را اهدف باگیرد و انه <mark>مردم، ضروری میدانم، بر این اساس، سیاست کلنی ا یالا</mark>ت صحته برانایر سیبرابط کنونتی در قبال اینزان. روی هم رفته، سنجیده ارزیابی میکنم.

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بعداد بازدید : 9106

۱۴ فروردین ۱۳۸۶ - بعد از ظهر ۱۲:۲۴

مهدي خلجي، طلبه سابق ايراني كه پس از خدمترساني به رسانه خبربراكني دولت بريتانيا، اكنون به دستمنان آمريكايي مردم ايران سرويس متيدهند، پس از ارايه شتواهدي از عندم صادل شتصيتي وي در «تارتاب». به آن واكنش نشان داد.

وي در این مطلب با ایراد اتهامـات گســترده بـه ســایت «بازنـاب». در حـالت از همـه حـا بـــ*پخـ*بر ســانت «بازتـاب» را حکومتي دانسـته که این سـایت از بیسـتوچهارم بهمن ماه سـال کــســه توسط دولتــ ایران مسـدود شده اسـت.

وي مينويسد: «جايي كه تهمت و تهديد در قالب حكومتي به مناك منهاند. البيه ديگر مسئله اين بخواهند بنود كه من چه ميانديشتم يا مينويستم. قلمرو خصوصي زندگي شنهروند هم هنځ جرمتي بدارد، مينواند نسته بنه منافع سياستي حكومت در روزنامه «كيهان»، يا سنايت سپاه پاسداران يا وېلاگ يک «بست كلوبياليست» از آمريكا رايده شده منتشر شود.

حسین درخشان، وبلاگنویس، در مطلبی با عنوان «مهدی حلجی». (بیست و بهم عارس) دشیامباههای علیه مین نوشت و به شیوه شنیع خود تهمتهایی زد؛ از جمله این که من هوادار حمله نظامی امریکا به ایبران هستم و از آنجا که در دفتر «دیک چینی» معاون رئیسجمهوری آمریکا کار میکند، به معامات ابالات منحده توصیه کردهام به ایران حمله کنند. از آنجا که بسیاری از خوانندگان وبالاگ حسین درحشات. او را مستضعفی فکری میدانند. از سخن او درگذشتم و پاسخی ننوشتم. اما اکنون می بینم سایت «بارنات». به گردانندگی فرماندهان سابق و لاحق سپاه پاسداران انقلاب اسلامی، متن نوشته او را با مقدمهای در ایرناست ملزناهای بریتانیایی در ایران ربط فرصتطلبانه، عنوانی برای آن گزیده که رویکرد سیاسی مرا به مدرات بارناست ملزناهای بریتانیایی در ایران ربط

ن**وشته حسین درخشان و نقل «بازتاب»، دربردارنده** چند دروغ و نهمت است. من هنن گاه در دفنر آیتالله خامنهاي، رهبر جمهور**ي اسلامي کار نکردهام.**

کار کردن در دفتر دیک چینی هم، تهمتی در همین برار است. از آثوست سال 2005، من در مؤسسه تحقیقاتی واشنگتن، یکی از معتبرترین مؤسسات تحقیقات استرابریک در امر کار کار مصکور این مؤسسه، از نظر سیاستی و مالی مستقل است و بودجه آن از طریق افراد و به سکل خصوصی بادین شخصاد، آن موسسه، آثار محققات خود را به صورت علنی، هم در وبسیایت و هم به شکل کتاب منتسم و برکند. شیخ امر بوشیدهای در کار این نوع مؤسسات وجود ندارد. در وبسیایت این مؤسسه، فهرست دقیق و کا عل باعین کستگان مالی و سر گردانندگان و محققات آن آمده است. هر دولتی از جمله دولت آمریکا، از بناین بحقیقات این بوغ وسیستان استفاده می کند. محققات آن آمده است. هر گرایش فکری که باشد – دفتر دیک حدی فاعداد بمی سود.

سایت «بازتاب» از وبلاگ حسین درخشان نقل کرده که من در که است یکه شورای سیاست خارجی آمریکا درباره «خطر ایران» برگزار کرده، شرکت کردهام و در نتیجه در یک کمپال سلسانی برای ترسیاست آمریکاییها از بهدید ایران مشارکت داشتهام. خوشبختانه فیلم سخنرانی من در اینتریت هست و به آن لینک داده شده و از فضا به لهجه انگلیسی من هم در آن اشاره شده است. من در این سخنرانی، دیدگاه خود را درباره دور بودن بحولی سیاستی از درون ایران سخن گفته و به مبانی ایدئولوژیک نظام جمهوری استامی شارد کردهاه.

من از فشار دیپلماتیک بر ایران دفاع میپکنیم و وضح تحریمهایی را کنه حکومیت انتیان را هندف بکنیرد و تنه میردم. **ضروری میزدانم. بر این اساس، سیاست کلیی ای**بالات متحده را در سیرابط دیونی در قبال ایران. روی هیم رفتیه، **سنجيده ارزيابي ميكنم. با جنگ و خشونت در ه**ر سكلي و از سوې غر كسبي هم مخالفم.

درباره سابقه تحصیلی و زندگی خصوصی من، راست و دروغ آمیخته است. انستان خودکشتی برادرم را سیربازان گمنام امام زمان در قم بهتر میدانند و روزی شرح آن را خواهم برست. تحسیلات خارروی مین هم افتخاری نیست که بر سر مدت و کیفیتاش با کسی ماجرا کنم. همستر تخست مین شمر دانستجوی جامعة الزشرا بیوده است. دانشجوی ادبیات فارستی بود که البته اعضای خانوادهاش از مقامات میانهایه جمهوری اسلامی و وانسته به وزارت اطلاعات بودند و میتوانند اطلاعات دقیقتری به سایت «بازناب» بدشت. می اردواج سومی شم نکردهام.

نه خودکشی برادر و نه ازدواج و طلاق، نه تحصیلات اندک یا بستبار در خورد. به گار کردن در روزنامه انتخاب یا «بی.سی» یا مؤسسه واشنگتن، هیچ کدام ربطی به ملکه انکلیس ندارید. تنها ربط بنیربط. درگیری سنیاه پاسداران با دولت بریتانیاست بر سر بازداشت پانزده ملوان. در این میان. بنها یک اندیولوری خودکامه و تمامیت خواه میتواند امنور مربوط و نامربوط، خصوصی و عمومتی. راست و دروع مهمت و افتیا را بنه هم گرد برند و خوراک رسانهای بسازد، تا مگر خاطر سادهدلی را پی کند.

پس سبب این تهمتهای متعفن چیست؟ درباره حسین درحسان چیرک بسیکویم.

اما سایت «بازتاب» داستان دیگری دارد. جایی که تهمت و بهدند در فالت حکومتی به میان می اید، البته دیگر مسئله این نخواهد بود که من چه می اندیشم یا می نوبست. قلمت و حصوصت رید دی شتهروند هند هیچ حرمتی ندارد. می تواند بسته به منافع سیاسی حکومت در روزنامه کنهان. با سایت سناه پاستداران یا وبالاک یک «پست کلونیالیست» از آمریکا رانده شده منتشر شود».

لازم به ذكر است، «بازتاب» نيز انتساب روزنامه «ابنجاب» و با ممله سبعد و نصر» به دفتر رهبري را استباه ميدانيد: اما اينكه با لفاظي مؤسسهاي كه از كاخ سفيد پول ميگيرد و براي دولت امريكا كندرانس تبليغاني برگزار ميكنند يا به جمعآوري اطلاعات ميپردازد را مؤسسهاي خصوصي فلمنده كنيدر. شيكردهايي است كه احتمالا ابتندا در همين مؤسسات به مشتريان آموخته ميشود.

با این حال، به نظر میرسد دولت آمریکا نیز برای تصمیمگیرت د صحت و صحت دریاری برخورد حدود با ایران، باید از مهرههای کارشناس و آگاه استفاده کنید، نه افرادی که به دلیل مسکلات تصحیی نظرات کارسناسی! ارائه میکنند. شواهد حاکی از آن است که «بی،بی،سی» ـ رسانه رسمی دولت برینات ـ که آشنایی و روابط بیشتری با فضای داخل کشور دارد، نیز پس از درج مطالب کممحنوای این طلبه سایی درباره خوره و روحانیت. همکاری خود با او را کاهش داده است.

خلجی ضمن خودداری از رد اطلاعیات مطبرحشیده در «بازتیاب» برساره سینر عملند رد حبود. آن را ورود بیه زندگی خصوصی دانسته، حال آنکه قصد «بازتاب» تنها ارایه نصویری از عدم نقادل شخصیت فردی است که مندعی کمک فکری! به دشمنان مردم ایران است و میخواهد برای عالم و ادم نصین شکت نماید:

درباره ازدواج سوم ایشان نیز اطلاعات بیشتر را باید از همستر دوم وهنان درسید، هر حید ممکن است جناب خلجی همانگونه که در سالهای اخیر با تلاش فراوان «لهجه انگلیست» را آموج هفید، شایوههای تازه آزدواج در غیرب را هم آموخته باشند!

کد خبر: ۶۳۹۶۱

SCHEDULE "B" A COPY OF THE TAKE DOWN DEMAND



July 27th, 2007

DELIVERED BY COURIER AND BY E MAIL

Hossein Derakhshan 200 Jackson Street West Hamilton, Ontario, Canada L8P 4R9

- and to -

Hossein Derakhshan 801 Bay Street Toronto, Ontario, Canada M5S 1Y9

- and to -

CoDaddy.com, Inc.
Suite 219
14455 N. Hayden Rd.
Scottsdale, Arizona, U.S.A. 85260

Attention: The President

- and to -

GoDaddy.com, Inc. Suite 219 14455 N. Hayden Rd. Scottsdale, Arizona, U.S.A. 85260

Attention: Legal Counsel

- and to -

Hosting Matters, Inc. Suite 332 1650-302 Margaret Street Jacksonville, Florida, U.S.A. 32204-3869

Attention: The President

sselznick@casselsbrock.com

tel 416-860-6883 fax 416-642-7147 file # 39341-1



Dear Sirs/Mesdames:

Re:

- Clams by Mohammed Mehdi Khalaji against

Hossein Derakhshan, GoDaddy.com, Inc. and Hosting Matters, Inc.

Domain: www.hoder.com

and related webblog at http://hoder.com/weblog/

Registrant: Hossein Derakhshan

Name Server: NS 3.HMDNSGROUP.com
Name Server: NS 4.HMDNSGROUP.com

We have been retained by Mohammed Mehdi Khalaji in connection with his claims against Hossein Derakhshan, the registrant of the domain addresses www.hoder.com/weblog (the "Websites") for which GoDaddy.com, Inc. and Hosting Matters, Inc. serve as Registrars and webhosts, and materials published thereon. There may be other websites that you register or host that mirror or automatically refer to the Websites, and this letter should be construed as applying to those websites as well.

As GoDaddy.com, Inc. and Hosting Matters, Inc. serve as Registrars of these domain names and host the Websites, they are implicated in the activities conducted at the Websites, and our client's claims extend to GoDaddy.com, Inc. and Hosting Matters, Inc. as well. Both GoDaddy.com, Inc. and Hosting Matters, Inc. are vicariously liable for the defamatory and other activities conducted through at the Websites that they host and service.

Without prejudice to our client's rights to advance further or other claims, our client takes particular objection to weblog content written and published by Hossein Derakhshan over the Websites that defame our client and are intended to incite violence and retribution against our client and those of his family members who still live in Iran. There are a number of defamatory statements contained on the Websites for which Hossein Derakhshan clams authorship, which amount to very serious libels upon our client. Specifically, we attach excerpts from a certified translation into English of the corresponding original Farsi text of excerpts from the Websites, noting the particularly egregious libels.

These defamatory statements by Hossein Derakhshan directly and by innuendo:

- (a) state falsely that our client is a traitor to the government and people of Iran;
- (b) state falsely that our client has worked for U.S. Vice-President Cheney's office, and by innuendo is a dupe or puppet of the U.S. government;

- (c) state falsely that our client has counselled the Vice-President of the United States of America to bomb our client's former offices in Iran;
- (d) state falsely that our client has counselled the Vice-President of the United States of America to bomb thousands of men, women and children,
- (e) state falsely that our client counsels enemies of Iran and of humanity;
- (f) incites others to follow the defamer Hossein Derakhshan's lead by spiting in our client's face;
- (g) state falsely that our client holds and publicizes the belief that political change is not possible from within Iran;
- (h) state falsely that our client struggles to converse and express himself in the English language;
- (i) state falsely that our client counsels the government of the United States of America to chose military action and economic sanctions against Iran, over and instead of diplomatic talks;
- (j) state falsely that our client's academic research papers are in reality thinly veiled instruction manuals on how to locate and attack the weaknesses of the legitimate government of Iran;
- (k) state falsely that our client is a proponent of, and openly supports, civil unrest, revolution and a regime change in Iran through the use of the military, and violence if necessary; and
- (I) clearly evidence a personal vendetta being waged by Hossein Derakhshan against our client, under the guise of alleged "commentary".

While knowledge or mindful intention is not necessary in Canada to found an action in tort for defamation, it is clear that Hossein Derakhshan has made and repeats these defamatory allegation on the Websites with the clear intention of jeopardizing our client's life and personal safety, and the lives and personal safety of those of our client's family members still in Iran. In fact, in consequence of these defamatory statements that each of you have published on the Websites, our client has received threats on his life and upon the lives of his family members, by persons purporting to be instrumentalities of the Iranian government.

In addition to being blatantly defamatory, these offensive comments which you host are vulgar, racist, hateful, condone and incite racism, violence, the violent overthrow of a government and other unlawful activity. As such they fall well within the take down provisions of the agreement that each of GoDaddy.com, Inc. and Hosting Matters, Inc.



publish on their respective websites as governing the terms of their hosting arrangements with Hossein Derakhshan. These offensive comments for which you are each vicariously liable also interfere with our client's legitimate economic relations with third parties.

Please be advised that our client will be seeking general damages, special damages, punitive damages, aggravated damages, interest and costs arising from your activities. Accordingly, we are affording you an opportunity to assist in the mitigation of our client's claims against each of you:

- (a) by taking down and removing the offensive weblog materials and undertaking, in unequivocal terms, not to re-post or further publish them;
- (b) by preparing and submitting to our office, for our client's review and approval, a draft of a clear and unequivocal letter of contrition, apology and retraction for ultimate publication in final approved form on the home page of the Websites and elsewhere as our client might desire in his discretion; and
- (c) by payment to our client of the sum of \$10,000 U.S. toward the cost of his investigation and remediation of your defamatory and other improper acts.

We would ask that you provide us with your confirmation and undertaking that you will effect the action requested in partial mitigation of our client's claims, no later than August 5th, 2007. We also ask that you provide us with any information in your possession or under your control that indicates the Internet protocol addresses of web browsers that have accessed any of the Websites since their inception.

As you can appreciate, our client reserves the right to take steps before the August 5th, 2007 date if he determines the need to take additional steps to protect his interests before that time. Without prejudice to our client's rights to assert a mindful intention on your part prior to the date of this letter, you should know that your failure to provide, carry through with and observe the confirmation and undertaking that we request will be construed by our client as wilful and mindful conduct on your part from the date of this letter forward.

We look forward to hearing from you and would ask that you govern yourself accordingly.



Yours truly,

Stephen I. Se SIS:ss: encl.	ROCK & BLACKWELL LLP Elznick nmed Mehdi Khalaji	
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Editor: Myself (Persian)

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http://i.holder.com. This is a Persian (Farsi) weblog, written by Hossein Derakhshan (aka, Hoder), an Iranian Multimedia designer and a journalist who has lived in Toronto since Dec 2000. He also keeps an English weblog with the same name. en-us hoder@hoder.com 2007-03-28T14:32:09+01:00 hourly, 2000-01-01T12:00+00:00 http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/europe/65-1997.stm- This

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Mehdi Khalaji is the only Iranian who has worked for both Khamenei's office and Dick Cheney's, who intends to bomb Khalaji's former office building plus thousands of men, women and children living in the surrounding area.

Some time ago, AFPC (US Foreign Policy Centre), a right-wing firm with a close relationship with Israel, through its one-day convention regarding the "Iran's threat", launched its one-week-long propaganda campaign, thus frightening people in the US

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about the growing threat Iran. These thirty-second advertise ints were broadcast the CNN, SNBC, Headline News and Fox News channels. (See one of the thirty-sec anti-Iranian videos.)

At the conference (represented in the form of a new program as "Freedom of Iran"), Mehdi Khalaji along with Ilan Berman, Patrick Clawson, James Woolsey and a few others, gave lectures on the growing threat of Islamic Republic of Iran and the roots the regime. (See the complete videos of the speeches.)

Mehdi Khalaji, while struggling to read the English translation of his article, tried to explain the reason why political changes were not possible from inside Iran and, as result [in order to eliminate "the growing threat of Iranians against world peace"], to the US must choose either military action or economic sanctions, instead of holding

I don't know what you would like to call Mr. Khalaji's informed help, giving ideas cruelest and dirtiest enemies of Iran and humanity. But I do know that if I run into one day, instead of saying hello, I will spit in his face.

]]> 15899http://i.hoder.com/iran-soc&pol 2007-03-28T22:08:02+01:00 http://i.hoder.com/archives/2007/03/070327_015895.shtml - In the comment sections someone in the past stated that I had become a strong critic of the US, since I had difficulty staying in New York as planned in September 2005, when the American officers at the border on the Peace Bridge, near Buffalo (I know the pronunciation

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down, and then vice versa. One is "regime change" or destroy Iran, which has two branches; one supports military action, or the "velvet revolution" or civilian resistance (which is looked after by Ganji with complete stupidity), or social changes. There is also another policy, which is moderation of the behaviour of the Iranian regime through increased interaction, mutual talks and economic relationships.

Just be aware that "regime change" or destroying the regime is a term with a specific meaning that is different from its literal meaning, which is a complete change of government. I will write about this later.

It is obvious which of all of these American and European *think-tanks* and academic and semi-academic organizations working on Iran follow what specific policy. But it is interesting to know that almost all Iranians who have recently gone to the US have joined one of the centres that follow the "regime change" line of thought.

For example, the Washington Institute, where Mehdi Khalaji and Sazgara work or have worked, openly supports the "regime change" policy, even through military action. (Just imagine that Mehdi Khalaji has worked for both the "Entekhab" newspaper connected to Khamenei and the institute that intends to bomb his former office. What an integrated moral system.)

Or, for example, some of the former members of the Tahkim Vahdati group, including Afshari and Atri and many of the younger ones, have joined the Human Rights

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- Statistics as the world's blogs for each country / Iranian blogs are estimated to total
 around 700,000
- Omid Memarian receiving an award from Human Rights Watch / I hope this news
 will not cause a problem for his family. Perhaps it would be a good idea if he
 condemns it in his blog.
- Ahmadinejad: Israel is an insult to human dignity and must be wiped off the map /
 Someone's got to stop this stupid person!

Oct. 26, 2005

The first research report written by Mehdi Khalaji for the Institute in Washington / What Khalaji and Sazgara are doing is the same as if Ralph Nader goes to Al Ghadah and writes an article for Bin Laden on how to attack the US.

Oct. 25, 2005

- An Arabic television channel is being developed by the BBC / In 2007 it will
 broadcast 12 hours of publicly funded programming a day. 10 European language
 services will be eliminated.
- "Human Sciences", "Reading in English" means what?; Khorshid Khanoom / She is actually right. If you want to learn, you have to read it.

http://i.hoder.com/linkdooni/2005_10.html

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That is the reason I convict Shirin Ebadi for her works after being awarded the Nobel Prize, because her works are narrative colonial paradigm. I have the same opinion towards Mehrangiz Carr, Azar Nafisi, Akbar Gnji, Ramin Jahanbegloo, Ahmad Batabi, Ali Afshari, Hossein Bastani and many more. I am not saying they are betrayers, because their benefit to colonial power is indirect and probably without their knowledge. But people like Reza Pahlavi, Mohsen Sazgara, Mehdi Khalaji and Abass Fakhravar, who provide services to colonial power directly and knowingly, are convicted, and the Islamic Republic can exercise its right to convict and punish them someday. As much as the US can reward them for their services.

But there are many other critics of the Islamic Republic and political activists whose narratives, either informed, or non-informed, even under the strong pressure of the structuralist wing of the government, are post-colonial paradigm. There are not too many out of Iran, but out of those in Iran, I can mention the names of Shadi Sadr and Emad Baghi.

I will write more about Shadi Sadr and the importance of her existence later, but she works as hard in the area of women's rights as the other women who call their activities a secular movement, and she also tolerates lots of pressure. However, contrary to the movement considered as "secular," her activities are based on a post-colonial paradigm. For this reason, ordinary people from Iran benefit from her activities more than they would from someone like Mehrangiz Carr, whose activities after leaving Iran benefit

SCHEDULE "C"

POST TAKE DOWN DEMAND ADDITIONAL DEFAMATORY STATEMENTS WRITTEN AND PUBLISHED CONCERNING THE PLAINTIFF

Mehdi Khalaji's Lawyer threatens to shut down my weblog and cashing on in it, for 10,000\$

Mehdi Khalaji was the editor of op-ed in Entekhab Newspaper in Iran. Entekhab was affiliated to the Office for Promoting Qum Seminary and its chief editor, Taha Hashemi, was Khamenei's {Iran Supreme Leader} Representative.

He [Mehdi Khalaji] also has close ties to the other anti-Iranian research centers in Washington, including the American Council of Foreign Relations and American Enterprise Institute in which Michael Leddin and many Anti-Iranian U.S. policy makers work.

After watching this misleading advertisement and Khalaji' support to this institute and its Anti-Iranian programs, I wrote a note in my blog and explained what Mehdi Khalaji is one of the biggest traitors that I know.

After couples of months, Mehdi Khalaji hired an attorney (and) sent himon to me and the hosting company of my blog, trying to shut down my blog for [publication] of that note and to rip the company 10,000\$ off.

Although, Khalaji's Canadian attorney has said that there is no legal base for suing me over my writing, using defamation law, but he tried to reach his goal of shut ting my voice up by financially threatening the hosting company

Here you can see the full text of Khalaji's claim in English (which really seems childish and ridiculous in some part).

Anyway he has not succeeded yet and it is unlikely for him to do so. Even if he succeeds to wipe me off the internet field, he would not be able to clear himself off of the disgrace of working for enemies of his people.

اسرابیل).

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🖹 تهدید وکیل مهدی خلجی به قصد تعطیلی وبلاگم و ده هزار دلار کاسبی

(August 3, 2007)

9 نظر از خوانندگان | * به این مطلب رای دهید

Excerpt: On Mehdi Khalaji, Israeli lobby's think-tank fellow, who wants to silence me and also earn \$10,000 ی سیاست خاور نزدیک یا Washington Institute for Near East Policy ۱۹۸ توسط <u>مارتیک ایندایک</u> که ریبس سابق بخش پژوهش لایی اسراییل در آمریکا (م به عنوان سفیر آمریکا به اسراییل رفت تاسیس شد.

این موسسه درواقع بازوی پژوهشی لابی اسراییل یا همان آیپک است، از جمله جان لت که در مقالهشان با نام «<u>لابی اسراییل</u>» در مجله بررسی کتاب نندن مفصل راجع به عیار زیاد این موسسه بر دولتهای کیننتون و بوش دربارهی ایران نوشتهاند. (مارتیک ایندایک طراح استرانژی «<u>مهار</u>

سانی هستند مانند پل ولفوینز، ریچارد پرل، جیمز وولزی (رییس سابق سیا)، وارن کریستوفر (وزیر سابق دفاع)، مابق خارجه)، جورج شولنز (وزیر سابق خارجه)، جیمز روش (رییس سابق نیروی هوایی ارتش)، و سامونل نوییس

این موسسه موثرترین سیاستهای ضدایران را در این سالها تعیین و به دولت آمریکا القا کرده است و این را با دیدن <u>ایران در این موسسه</u> تولید شده و اینکه چفدر از آنها همین الان در حال اجرا شدن است می والید ببینید.

مه سروکله ی محسن سازگارا پس از ترک ایران در این موسسه پیدا شد، همه را شوکه کرد.

توجه شد کجا استخدام شده است، آنجا را در کمتر از یکسال ترک کرد. جای او را <u>مهدی خلجی</u> گرفت که تا دو، سه سال 4 به بی.بی.سی فارسی و سپس رادیو فردا بپیوندد، در روزنامهی انتخاب، مدیر بخش اندایشه بود. انتخاب وابسته به بهی قم بود و به سردبیری تمایندهی وقت خامنهای، سید طاها هاشمی، منتشر میشد.

ل است که در موسسه واشنگتن کار میکند و به آنها دربارهی روابط مراجع با جمهوری اسلامی و شخصی خامنهای و ن <u>مشاوره میدهد</u>. همینطور دربارهی نهضتهای شیعهی نزدیک به ایران مانند حزبالله نبنان.

هشی دیگر صدایران دیگری هم در واشتگتن رابطهی نزدیک دارد، از جمله «شورای سیاست <u>خارجی آمریکا</u>» یا American Fore و «موسسهی امریکن ائترپرایز» یا American Enterprise Institute که مایکل لدین و ت دیگر آمریکایی صد ایران کار میکنند

ِ نشستی با عنوان «فهمیدن تهدید ایران» در «شورای سیاست خارجی آمریکا» شرکت کرد که با سخنان ووزلی، رییس بعد سخنرانان دیگر از جمله خلجی ابعاد گوناگون این تهدید را مقصل تر توضیح دادند.

سارچی چند هفته بعد <u>کمپین تبلیغاتی گستردهی</u> تلویزیونیای را بر ضد ایران شروع کرد که در آن ایران را به عنوان عملح در جهان نشان میداد و پس از ترساندن مردم عادی آمریکا از آنها میخواست که با کاخ سفید تماس بگیرند و E:M | On Mehdi Khalaji, Israeli lobby's think-tank fellow, who wants to silence me an... Page 2 of 7

های ضدایران شدیدتر شود.



آگهی ضد ایران را ببینید

یهای گمراهکننده و مطلع شدن از حمایت خلجی از این موسسه و برنامههایش ضد ایرانش مطلبی در ویلاگم نوشتم و وی خلجی یکی از بزرگترین خانتانی است من میشناسم.

دی خلجی، وکیلی را استخدام کرده و به سراغ من و شرکت میزیان ویالاگ من فرستاده و سعی کرده که این ویلاگ را <u>طیل کند</u> و ده هزار دلار هم شرکت میزیان را تیغ بزند.

ى گفته كه نوشتهى من از لحاظ حقوقي تميتواند به عنوان شكايت به اتهام افترا (Defamation) مطرح شود، ولى با ديد مالى شركت ميزيان به هدفش كه خفه كردن صداى من است برسد.

را (که واقعا گاهی دهدار و بچگانه به نظر میرسند) به انگلیسی و به شکل PDF ببتید.

رفق نشده و بعید هم هست که یتواند موفق شود و حتی اگر هم بشود و من را از صحنه اینترنت پاک کند، نمیتواند ننگی بیرحمترین دشمنان مردمش به دست آمده است، پاک کند, من هم افتخار میکنم که قرار است توسط خاننترین ایرانیای شوم.

شکایتهای او را که بیشباهت به بهانههای سعید مرتضوی از روزنامههای اصلاحطلب برای تعطیل کردن آنها نیست، بت کثید.

، قدرت نگ اقتصادی هم مخالقت کنید وضع اسراییل درباره قتل عام ارامنه . در نیویورک اران و برتامهی اتمی ایران

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دوستان و آشتایان

«حسن عابدیتی» «ملکوت» «امور ایران» «موج» niki: This post is even better than your english post on Khalaji good that you are making the connections clear for people who can't see it for themselves. Neither Khalaji nor some of the othe that they want to "disappear you from the internet" will succeed i probably what makes them even more crazy

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نیلی زیادتر از افترا است که مرتضوی به استناد آن روزنامه های ایران را بست. به حساب خود برسید قبل از اینکه به حساب شما برسند.

مِرا تعدادی از کامن نویس ها که ادعای لیبرالیسم می کنند در عمل از هر تُند . این نمونه ایست که ما در اینجا در دانشگاهها هم شاهدش هستیم آن گروه از درنیسم و لیبرالیسم و ؛ دنیای آزاد؛ هستند به موقعش (موقع آن زمانی است که یکی مونیست و مارکسیست بزنند) حتی کوچکترین حقی باری ابرزا نظر او قابل نیستند. ست و تنها با ایران و یا دانشگاهای اینجا و یا فضای الیرانی اینترنت محدود نیست ، لیبرآلیسم حاضرند برای گسترش لیبرالسیم و ِ(آزادکردن) مردم کشوراهی بی اها لشكر كشي كنند ناو هوابيما بر بياورند با موشكهاي وحشتناك كروز أنها را تكه و پیران را آماج سلاحهای جدید و آزمایشی خود قرار دهند از دیگران که دنباله رو ی توان داشت ؟؟؟ ۴- تا اندازه ای که من میدانم در اسلام اگر فردی بگوید که مان می شود اما آیا در مارکسیسم هم اینطور است ؟ تصور من اینس که اینطور هزاران بارتکرار کرده اند که مارکسیست یا کمونیست هستند اما در برخی مکاتب مالا تا جاپی که من میدانم آقای حسین درخشان هیچگاه نگفته که مارکسیست هست کسسیت بدانیم یا بشناسیم ؟ آیا نه برای اینست که این یه تابو در ادبیات سیاسی برای از میدان بدر کردن مخالف فکری خود ؟ جالب این است که این پدیده هم ِ سالها پیش همیشه امریکا دشمنان خودر ۱ به این نام ملقی می کرد و اکنون هم فقط سم اسلامي ؛ . نه اينكه تروريسم اسلامي وجود ندارد . اما بيش از همه بايد ديد اين نه است ؟ و حالا که دیگر به نفعش نیست آنرا می کوید و یا بهتر بگویم از وجود آن ده میکند ۵-آدم فروشی در همه مسالک همه مرامها پدیده ای بسیار زشت است . اما وسیعتر حظور ؟ اگر فرد یا گروه های از افراد سازمانهای مثلا سیاسی در ابعاد گاه تکلیف چیست ؟ اگر من نوعی به رژیم آدرس فلانِ فردی که در سازماهای رجي امريكا كار ميكند بدهم جقدر مقصره و فرضا الكر أدرس ميليونها انسان را به حصرت برزيدنت لطفا بياييد و به ايران حمله كنيد اين اران سرچشمه همه فجاياي ن است چرا با او مذاکره میکنید چرا فشار را بیشتر نمیکنید ؟ چرا ... ۲... سوال باسی ما این روش چقدر بد و مذموم است ؟ آیا اصلا هست ؟؟ الآنه ما شاهد این رانی بخصوص لوس آنجلس نشینان دارند این کار را می کنند آیا کسی آنها را حتی ت از ليبرالها چنين نكنند اما تاريخ مردم ايران باسخ انها را به موقع خود خواهند

م فروش داره گلیبده می شه و خودشم تو پاریس زار می زنه. دمش گرم مهدی عارلاتان ولی دمش گرم اگه بتونه بساطت رو کل جم کنه بذاره کس مادرت. بدبخت

بیات نوشتاریت با لحن و کلام سخن گفتنت متفاوت است و بسیاری از جمله مرا از د چون نمی توانی خودت را بیان کنی و لی این خلجی اگر این باشد که می گویی د. حسین اگر نوشتنت مثل صحبت کردنت بود اینقدر آدمها را از خودت بیزار و به از دولت اوست یادت که نرفته!؟

به این خانن و نوکر صبهونیسم بگویید دوران شما بسر آمده و همین روز ها مردم مانی که تو و امثال تورا اجیر کردهاند یعنی صبهونیستهای ستون پنجم را از کشور د. همه مردم جهان از شما ستون پنجمی ها به ستوه آمده اند.

رو خیلی زودتر باید میبستند، دجال کثیف...

ناراضی بودن 10 % از مردم ایران از حکموت شکی نیست ولی،در پست فطرط .

Farzad: I don't support Mr. Khalaji or the Washington Institute
He is free to do whatever he wants to do, why would you ca
people might call you a traitor. When Sean Penn went to Iran
Iraq war or Danny Glover goes to meet with President Chavez, is
traitor or would you call them hero or anti imperialists. Mr. Ders
is not whether Khalaji is working here or there. The problem is
making decision for people of Iran and the people of Iran don't l
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A weblog on Iran, technology and pop culture, by Hossein Derakhshan

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July 30, 2007

Ignatieff in Iran: Pragmatist thinkers like Rorty are favoured to radicals like Foucault

I found this article by accident. It is <u>Michael Ignatieff's account</u> of his last year's visit to Iran, with invitation from Ramin Jahanbegloo who was later arrested on charges of acting against the national security:

Jahanbegloo says he thinks of himself as a bridge between Iran and those universities. He invites a steady stream of philosophers like Richard Rorty from Stanford and Agnes Heller from the New School in New York to give talks to students. He sees some signs that their ideas are finding a toehold in Tehran. Three decades ago, the intellectuals du jour were Michel Foucault and fellow radical theorists. They arrived in Tehran proclaiming their solidarity with a revolution that actively despised them while persecuting its own freethinkers. Now the pendulum in Tehran has swung toward pragmatic liberals like Berlin.

It's quite interesting how Ignatieff dismisses Foucault's support for the Iranian revolution with just labelling him as radical and praises Jahanbegloo's attempts to bring the liberal, pragmatic thinkers such as Rorty and Heller.

This is of course a cheap shot at Foucault from the right, by Ignatieff, a strong supporter of the US invasion of Iraq on humanitarian grounds.

But also from the left has been emerged attacks on Foulcault's praise for the Iran's revolution, the most famous of which, by Janet Afary and Kevin Anderson in their book (an excerpt), titled 'Foucault and the Iranian Revolution: Gender and the Seductions of Islamism.' (I have ordered it recently to read Foucault's original dispatches for Corrierre Dela Serra in his two visits before and after the 1979 revolution.)

A recurring theme these days is that the lines between the right and the left, when it comes to Iran, has become so blurry that they has almost become meaningless.

The left has started to challenge the Islamic Republic's legitimacy in a similar fashion to the right. This is what living in the American paradigm does to one's intellect, I suspect.

I know, I have to elaborate on all this...

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July 29, 2007

Washington's Institute's fellow, Mehdi Khalaji, thinks he is not counselling enemies of Iran and humanity

Back to our favourite Washington Institute fellow, <u>Mohammad Mehdi Khalaji's lawyer's threats (PDF)</u> to shut down my website, here are the things he has found problematic <u>in a blog post of mine</u>. They kind of sound ironic and even funny, in a Jon Stewart way:

These defamatory statements by Hossein Derakhshan directly and by innuendo:

- a) state falsely that our client is a traitor to the government and people of Iran;
- b) state falsely that our client has worked for U.S. Vice-President Cheney's office; and by innuendo is a dupe or puppet of the U.S. government;
- c) state falsely that our client has counselled the Vice-President of the United States of America to bomb our client's former offices in iran;
- c) state falsely that our client has counselled the Vice-President of the United States of America to bomb our thousands of men, women and children;
- e) state falsely that our client counsels enemies of Iran and of humanity;
- f) incites others to follow the defamer Hossein Derakhshan's lead by spitting in our client's face;
- g) state falsely that our client holds and publicizes the belief that political change is not possible from within Iran;
- h) state falsely that our client struggles to converse and express himself in the English language;
- i) state falsely that our client counsels the government of the United States of America to choose military action and economic sanctions against Iran, over and instead of diplomatic talks;
- j) state falsely that our client's academic research paper are in reality thinly veiled instruction manuals on how to locate and attack the weaknesses of the legitimate government of Iran;
- k) state falsely that our client is a proponent of, and openly supports, civil unrest, revolution and a regime change in Iran through the use of the military, and violence if necessary; and
- l) clearly evidence a personal vendetta being waged by Hossein Derakhshan against our client, under the guise of alleged "commentary."

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July 27, 2007

New arrests

Norouz, a website run by the Mosharekat party, <u>says</u> that the Iranians whose names were mentioned in <u>the televised 'confessions'</u> by Esfandiari, Jahanbegloo and Tajbakhsh are arrested by the Intelligence service.

As far as I remember, Bijan Khajehpour and Ali Afshari were the only Iranians being mentioned.

Ali Afshari, a former student leader, ironically, is <u>now a fellow</u> at the infamous National Endowment for Democracy in Washington, DC.

But I think Bijan Khajehpour, a business consultant, must have been back to Iran after, according to his biographies, finishing a programme at a business school in Paris.

So it's very likely he is at least one of the people who is arrested.

Posted by hoder at 1:34 AM | Comments (0) | TrackBack

July 26, 2007

Guessing game

Who do you guess has said the following paragraph? Read it and I'll tell you later:

Iran today is very much like the Soviet Union in its last days. The ideology has burnt out, Iranian youngsters are disenchanted, the reform movement has failed to fulfil the popular demand and there has been practically every year spontaneous rioting and uncivil unrests in the major cities of Iran. But 25 years after the revolts that did away with the Shah and his regime, there is an absence of an organizational factor to unite the diverse inspirations of Iranians.

[..]

Based on this analysis of the Iranian situation, we are left with three scenarios for the future of Iran:

1) In the first scenario the Iranian regime will weather the storm and the so-called pragmatists or centrists among the ruling elite of Iran will be the survivors. Thanks to a leadership vacuum among the opposition, the centrists will buy some time by offering a series of strategic concessions. These concessions may come in two forms: to the West on the issue of WMDs and the Middle East peace plan, and to the Iranians in the area of social controls and guardianship (which could be replaced by the Expediency Council with a sudden death of Ayatollah Khamenei). Under this formula, Iran will integrate in the market economy and there will certainly be a shift from a monopolistic, mafia-type of economy represented by the new class of property owners to a more normalized market stability and investment security. The tendency of the pragmatist political leaders such as Rafsanjani and Mohsen Rezaii and centrist religious intellectuals such as Sadegh Ziba Kalam and Shamsolvaezin towards centrist politics is, in a

sense, is a reflection of this change in Iran's capitalist class. In this first scenario Rafsanjani will have an important role as the power broker.

- 2) In the second scenario unlike the first one the clerical regime will not be able to stand the socio-economic and political pressures and will be left with only one option to defend itself and that is a "palace coupâ€□ by the conservatives and the security agents such as Asgaroladi (leader of the Islamic Coalition Group), Badamchian and Shariatmadari (editor in chief of the journal Kayhan) to save the Revolution and the political Islam. Unclear though is the role played in this scenario by Ayatollah Khamenei?
- 3) In the third scenario the regime change will be inevitable. Irrespective of tactical manoeuvres by the Islamic regime and the absence of an organized leadership by the opposition, the regime will be unable to stave off the energy of dissent and answer the demands of the Iranian youth and Iran will see a series of urban unrests. In this scenario, there is also the closing of a window of opportunity for the Iranian regime and the imminence of political chaos in Iran.

Posted by hoder at 3:44 PM | Comments (0) | TrackBack

July 18, 2007

Tv confessions undermine the reality of American plans to destabilise Iran

Esfandiari, Jahanbegloo and Tajbakhsh's tv 'confessions' is only targeted at the ordinary Iranians inside Iran and the fact that they're broadcasting it on the Channel 1 confirms that.

But there is also another delicate detail no one has paid attention to yet that explains what exactly Iranian intelligence system is trying to achieve:

The above mentioned people, at least in the TV spots shown so far, are characterised as experts, not as prisoners.

The average man or woman in Iran who doesn't read newspapers or watch satellite television or simply doesn't follow politics has no idea about the conditions in which these individuals have said these things and would only be introduced to them as international relations experts. (The set where they are interviewed and their cloths also want to portray them as if they are in their offices or their homes.)

Personally I think it's a mistake by the Iranian government to assume such distinction or gap between the internal public opinion and external one.

Simply because of the widely popular foreign-based Persian-language satellite televisions such as the VOA and the forthcoming BBC are covering a considerable portion of the same people Iranian government try to target.

So in a few days the news that these statements were taken under pressure would be everywhere, mostly thanks to the popular VOA, and it would lose its value and effect.

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I personally agree with legitimate and effective methods to expose the real intentions behind the American human rights and democracy project in countries such as Iran, Syria, Cuba, Venezuela, Russia and many eastern European states.

But I believe these televised confessions are neither legally or ethically justified, nor are effective once people realise the story behind them. They even have an opposite effect since the average Iranians would think that there is no truth to anything anyone says along the same lines.

The Americans have repeated and publicly expressed their interest in using the civil society, especially student, women and labour movement, in Iran to destabilise the government and these are exposed by the US' own mainstream media.

But what Iran does with these televised confessions undermine all these realities and help the opposition to paint them as propaganda or conspiracy theories.

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July 17, 2007

Why 'Stop censoring us' is discontinued

I have discontinued a website I made in 2003 to watch Internet censorship in Iran and here is a note, posted on its front page, to expalin why:

Dear Readers,

Internet censorship exists in Iran, as it does in many other parts of the world, especially in the Middle East.

But it has recently become another pretext for the American Empire to further demonise the government of Iran.

Despite all problems and challenges, I believe that Islamic Republic is a legitimate, sovereign and democratic system and I reject any attempts to participate in such nasty demonising campaigns, which ultimately try to justify the Western intervention.

I believe that Internet censorship is an internal problem and the only way to solve it should also come and develop from within. Taking such efforts beyond Iran and into the international scene will benefit the American politicians more than the Iranian internet users.

Therefore, although this website has not been updated for almost a year, I now officially shut it down.

I should thank Sanam Dolatshahi and and PY whose help in the final months was very important and much appreciated.

If I have time and energy, I will relaunch the website in Persian with the same focus on Internet

censorship in Iran, but this time in a local scale because of the language.

Best,

- Hossein Derakhshan

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July 6, 2007

Jahanshah Javid boycotts Chalghooz, a new parody website

After publishing 13 issues of <u>Gooz Online</u>, a parody of the Rafsanjanist propaganda website, <u>Rooz Online</u>, me and my partner decided to shut it down and republish it with a different name.

So the new name is <u>Chalghooz</u> and we want to satirise and expose the entire anti-Iranian propaganda and regime change campaign, especially those being done by some 'reformists' such as Shirin Ebadi and Akbar Ganji, also Abbas Milani and Reza Pahlavi.

But somehow predictably, everyone has boycotted us: Almost no blog or website has linked to us. However we've managed to have over 140,000 page views since 10 June.

The most surprising website that has boycotted us is actually Jahanshah Javid's <u>Iranian</u>. Despite his explicit claims that he publishes any content people send to him, and despite the tagline of Iranian.com which is "Nothing is sacred," Mr. Javid has refused to republish Gooz or Chalghooz issue on the Iranian.com.

This is from the one hand sad that even for the most progressive websites on Iran, picking on neo-liberals or 'reformists' is actually quite sacred, unlike what they try to show off.

From the other hand it proves that we are hitting right on target in exposing the hypocrisy among the socalled reformists when it comes to free speech.

As, <u>Ebrahim Nabavi</u>, one of these exiled reformists put it recently in a series of angry posts and comments on his blog and elsewhere, no one is allowed "to criticise respectful people like Ganji and Ebadi." So obviously the boycott is just the price we have to pay for questioning the 'reformist' Gods.

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July 3, 2007

Ilan Berman teaches regime change strategies on VOA Persian

<u>Ilan Berman</u> was on VOA Persian <u>last week</u>, promoting his recent book, titled 'Taking on Tehran: Strategies for Confronting the Islamic Republic.'

Meanwhile, Radio Farda, interviewing the 'reformist' Mahmoud Shamsolvazein, <u>has accused</u> the newly launched Press TV of being ideological.

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August 31, 2007

'Free Haleh' and its links to 'pro-democracy' projects

Did you know that 'Free Haleh', the most active online campaign about Esfandiari's prosecution in Iran, is run by the pro-Bush, pro-Iraqi invasion, Zainab Al-Swaiji of the American Islamic Council? The other noteworthy fact is that Free Haleh is hosted by Middle East Youth (its staff), another neo-conservative-leaning 'pro-democracy' project.

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August 30, 2007

Even Israel prepares to live with a 'Nuclear-Enabled' Iran

Reports on an increased possibility of a US attack on Iran are raising some serious concerns. But I don't think it is anything but a psy-op, possibly this time by the liberals to frighten and provoke the Iranian government either to give up the enrichment or to do something stupid that could become a pretext for the more severe UN sanctions.

There is absolutely nothing Bush could gain from such attack and this is not something that only the liberals are saying. But even the most radical but realistic anti-Iranian policy makers in Israel, such as Avigdor Liberman, or in Washington, such as Patrick Clawson, acknowledge the fact that military attack is neither going to stop Iran from its nuclear programme, nor will it weaken or destabilise the government in any way.

And then it's also the Iranian response that could actually destabilise the markets everywhere leading to a serious energy crisis that could anger the EU, China and India and widen the split between the U.S. and the rest of the industrial world.

Knowing all this, Iran has carefully been censoring any news about an imminent attack to undo the psy-op and at the same time, all Iranian opposition, even Reza Pahlavi, have repeatedly said they were against military attack and now have no choice other showing some public contempt to save their integrity.

I suspect soon the U.S. would have no choice but to accept a nuclear Iran, the way <u>Israel</u>, <u>according to senior</u> <u>strategist Ephraim Kam</u>, is ready (PDF) to do so.

It is time to let the world know about Ephraim Kam's report which I am surprised why the Anglosaxon media has never paid enough attention to.

In case you haven't read it, here is the most important part of it:

Living with a Nuclear-Enabled Iran

The conclusion is threefold:

- 1. The United States, Israel, and other countries must do their utmost to prevent Iran from achieving a nuclear capability, since once Iran has nuclear weapons it will be much harder (and militarily impossible) to effect any rollback and disarm it.
- 2. The military move must be included in steps to be considered, both as an option in itself and as a means of increasing pressure on Iran.
- 3. At the same time, these countries will have to prepare for a scenario in which Iran obtains nuclear weapons, all the while maintaining efforts to block this very outcome.

In preparing for this scenario, Israel must:

- Strengthen its deterrent capability towards Iran. Israel currently has limited deterrence against Iran's recourse to conventional weapons and terrorism, based on its strategic capabilities and its relations with the United States. This capability may ebb if Iran obtains nuclear weapons. Therefore, Israel must use the years until Iran attains nuclear capability and take additional steps to bolster its deterrence against a nuclear attack, including: convincing Iran that a nuclear attack on Israel may fail because of Israel's anti-missile system; strengthening its deterrent credibility against the Iranian regime, and convincing Iran that should Israel be attacked with nuclear weapons, it would retain a response capability that would exact a heavy price from Iran.
- Strengthen strategic cooperation with the United States against Iran. Israel's aim is that the US administration will make it clear to Iran that any Iranian nuclear attack on Israel or its other allies will be viewed as an attack on the US itself, which would force it to act without reservation and with its full strategic strength against Iran. Israel will have to reexamine the possibility of bolstering its deterrent capability by entering into a defense treaty with the United States and/or joining NATO at the appropriate time.
- Take steps, in collaboration with the United States and other countries, to limit risks beyond the threat of a nuclear attack resulting from Iran obtaining nuclear capability.
- Reexamine its policy of nuclear ambiguity. Israel would be best served by maintaining
 nuclear ambiguity, but it is possible that conditions will emerge that will force it to
 relinquish this policy, such as the conduct of the Iranian regime, its need to increase its
 deterrence and clarify its red lines, or potential channels of communication with Iran on
 the nuclear issue.
- Consider the possibility of agreeing to the idea of a nuclear weapons-free Middle East, as a means of preventing Iran from obtaining nuclear arms or of disarming Iran.
- Examine the possibility of a peace agreement with the Syrian regime, at the right time

and with conditions that are acceptable to Israel, in the hope that this leads to limiting Syria's close ties with Iran and an end to its military support of Hizbollah. If there is a possibility of a peace agreement with Syria, which would entail further warming of Israel's relations with other Arab countries, the effect of Iran's militant approach will also be reduced, and there may even be dialogue between Israel and Iran. But even if such dialogue does not develop, it will be hard to assume that under such regional conditions Iran would decide to launch a nuclear attack against Israel.

Can Israel live with a nuclear Iran? Possibly, but it is hard to anticipate this situation. Certain conditions $\hat{a} \in \mathcal{C}$ some of which are not yet extant $\hat{a} \in \mathcal{C}$ may help to soften this reality, and reduce the Iranian threat and the uncertainty that it contains.

These include:

- Collecting credible intelligence that Iran is not planning to use its nuclear weaponry against Israel.
- Obtaining a clear American obligation to retaliate against Iran with a nuclear strike should Iran use nuclear weapons against Israel.
- Arriving at an assessment in Israel that is based on clear, credible indicators that Israel's strategic capability effectively deters Iran from recourse to nuclear weapons.
- Seeing more moderate officials join the circle of decision-makers in Iran.

Finally, if Iran obtains nuclear weapons, this would obligate Israel to try to build up a stable deterrent capability against Iran, which will prevent unintentional deterioration to nuclear confrontation. As yet there are no accepted rules of behavior in a nuclear environment between Israel and Iran, there is no communication and no dialogue, and there is insufficient understanding of the set of considerations and the decision-making processes of the other side. Such uncertainty is liable to increase the risks of miscalculation, overreaction, escalation of crises, and difficulty stopping deterioration in time.

Israel thus has a critical need to try to build channels of direct communication with Iran. Even if indirect, these could allow fostering rules of the game and pursuing confidence building measures in a nuclear environment and help guard against nuclear deterioration. Assuming that Iran is also interested in preventing miscalculations by the US and Israel, which may lead to deterioration and heavy internal damage, the possibility of generating such channels of communication, possibly via European governments, is not unreasonable.

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August 29, 2007

Refuting Khalaji's mistranslated threat of legal action

As you might have seen, only a few bloggers wrote anything against the termination of my previous web host

account as a result of the threat of a defamation lawsuit by Mehdi Khalaji, a fellow at Washington's Institute.

Most of those who reacted, simply, took the terribly mistranslated text -- sent by Khalaji's lawyer to my web host and my domain registrar -- as utter truth and their defence of me was only from the free speech point of view.

As if I had manufactured the evidence based on which I wrote my post on Mehdi Khalaji; and that he is nothing but an innocent, poor victim of my 'defamation' who had just reacted too harshly to my writings.

Almost no one, except for Niki Akhavan, pointed out the mistranslations in Khalaji's lawyer's note (and its typos too) and almost no one acknowledged that the facts I had gathered about Khalaji were not false.

So what follows is a detailed and documented refutation of what Mehdi Khalaji's lawyer called my 'defamatory statements' against his client. You will also see how they have mistranslated my original post to construct their threat.

These defamatory statements by Hossein Derakhshan directly and by innuendo:

a) state falsely that our client is a traitor to the government and people of Iran;

Mehdi Khalaji is hired by a think-tank, created by the Israeli lobbying group in the US (AIPAC) ^[1] and has openly advocated for military action ^[2] or economic sanctions ^[3] to overthrow the government of Iran ^[4]. Richard Perle, Paul Wolfowitz and James Woolsey, all strong advocates for regime change in Iran ^{[5][6]}, are on its board ^[7].

Washington Institute for the Near East Policy (WINEP), Mr. Khalaji works for [8], has a clear agenda against Iran and that makes Mr. Khalaji, an Iranian citizen, a 'traitor' based on the definition of the word. (The American Heritage dictionary defines 'traitor' as "One who betrays one's country, a cause, or a trust.â€□ [9])

b) state falsely that our client has worked for U.S. Vice-President Cheney's office; and by innuendo is a dupe or puppet of the U.S. government;

Mistranslated. The correct translation is that Mr. Khalaji "indirectlyâ€□ and "through WINEPâ€□ gives advise to vice-president Cheney's office.

WINEP's director, Robert Satloff says that its products have been made accessible to "high-level Washington-based officials, prominent journalists, and senior diplomats.â€□ level Vice-president's office is surly where many "high-level Washington-based officialsâ€□ work and therefore WINEP's products, that includes Mr. Khalaji's contribution, reach Mr. Cheney's office.

There are also strong ties between WINEP and Cheney's office. For example, John P. Hannah, a deputy director of WNEP now serves^[11] at a high position at the vice-president's office since 2001.

c) state falsely that our client has counselled the Vice-President of the United

States of America to bomb our client's former offices in Iran;

Mistranslated. What I have written is that it is Mr. Cheney who wants to bomb Iran^[12], not that Mr. Khalaji advises him to do so. Mehdi Khalaji has worked ^[13] as a section editor in a newspaper, titled Entekhab run by Taha Hashemi, a cleric appointee^[14] of Ayatollah Khamenei in a government-funded organization related to the Qom's clerical school.

Mr. Khalaji wrote later in an article for the BBC Persian that the publishers of Entekhab had the personal support of Ayatollah Khamenei for the newspaper. [15]

A military attack on Iran surly could also destroy the building of Entekhab newspaper in central Tehran, where Mehdi Khalaji was once working.

d) state falsely that our client has counselled the Vice-President of the United States of America to bomb our thousands of men, women and children;

Mistranslated. Again, what I have written is that it is Cheney who wants to bomb Iran, not that Khalaji advises him to do so. Obviously thousands of men and women and children would be killed in a military strike against Iran.

e) state falsely that our client counsels enemies of Iran and of humanity;

Based on its output, it's clear that WINEP does not have a friendly policy toward Iran and openly advocates for regime change. So they are enemies of Iran and Khalaji counsels them.

Given the grave consequences of the illegal US-led invasion of Iraq, I believe those who supported and administered that invasion are enemies of humanity. At least two of these people, Paul Wolfowitz and Richard Perle are on WINEP's board where Khalaji counsels and WINEP had repeatedly and openly supported the invasion. [16]

f) incites others to follow the defamer Hossein Derakhshan's lead by spitting in our client's face;

Mistranslated. The correct translation reads "I don't know what name you want to give this conscious intellectual contribution by Mr. Khalaji to the most merciless and dirtiest enemies of Iran and humanity. But I know that if someday I face him in person, instead of saying hello, I will through a big spit on his face.â€□ There is nothing inciting others to do anything here.

g) state falsely that our client holds and publicizes the belief that political change is not possible from within Iran;

This is not false. Mehdi Khalaji finishes his presentation at the AFPC meeting with the following paragraph in which he bluntly rejects the possibility of reform (5' 55 form the video) [12]:

"The majority of people might not be [unclear word] to the political agenda of the government, but instead suffer from its policy and restrictions upon social freedom without

possessing any concrete effective means for any change or reform. Idealism has been reconstructed not only in terms of government's perception of politics, but also in terms of citizens public ambitions. Thus, the regime seems to be more solid and stable as ever before. Therefore the prospect of the prospect for political change is dark.â \in

Moreover, in an interview with Radio Zamaneh he adds "well, for me the Islamic Republic is similar to Dariush Mehrjooie's film, 'Ejarehneshin-ha.' The owner of the building... doesn't permit any minor changes... Then what will happen? The whole building collapses.â€□^[18]

h) state falsely that our client struggles to converse and express himself in the English language;

Mistranslated. Correct translation reads "Mehdi Khalaji, while sweating to read smoothly from the English translated text of his article.â€□

But it is true that Mr. Khalaji has problems, at least in terms of reading, pronunciation and intonation. The recorded video of his speech (mentioned above) clearly shows that Khalaji mispronounces or struggles to read and pronounces many words including 'entirety,' 'unprecedented' and 'judicial.'

i) state falsely that our client counsels the government of the United States of America to choose military action and economic sanctions against Iran, over and instead of diplomatic talks;

Mistranslated. The correct translation reads that Khalaji "tried to show why political change from within is impossible in Iran and therefore the U.S., in order to remove 'the increasing threat by Iran against world piece' should not negotiate with Iran. Instead, through economic sanctions (or implicitly even through military invasion if its it was feasible.)â€□

Khalaji said these words in a conference to an audience at the AFPC, not to the government. I didn't quoted from him, but sumerised in my own words what could he ultimately mean by his speech.

The words in quotation mark ('the increasing threat by Iran against world piece') refers to a widely used theme by the media and the politicians and by doing so I'm trying to mock the sterotypical aspect of those words.

j) state falsely that our client's academic research paper are in reality thinly veiled instruction manuals on how to locate and attack the weaknesses of the legitimate government of Iran;

In May 2006, Mehdi Khalaji says to a Wall Street Journal reporter "Western countries must push the internal conflicts inside the Iranian government.â€□^[19]

In July 2007, in an article published on WINEP's website, Khalaji writes:

"For the West, there are many advantages if Iran's leadership is weakened by internal

disputes. Such an Iran would be busier domestically and therefore less able to concentrate on foreign adventures. It would also be more aware of its weaknesses and therefore more likely to compromise. To be sure, a weak Supreme Leader would presumably have less authority to impose difficult compromises on objecting factions. That, however, seems like a price worth paying in order to see a less powerful revolutionary leadership."^[20]

k) state falsely that our client is a proponent of, and openly supports, civil unrest, revolution and a regime change in Iran through the use of the military, and violence if necessary; and

Mistranslated. I never implied Khalaji supports violent change. It is Khalaji's employer, the Washington Institute, who has advocated regime change through violence.

In February 2007, Jeffery White, a defence fellow at the Washington Institute, writes [21]:

"The choices for dealing with the Iranian challenge, both in and outside Iraq, are not clear, and the consequences of making the wrong choices are dire. But by the time the choices are clear, it will be too late for anything but acquiescence to the presence of a nuclear-armed Iran driven by hostility toward the West -- or a war to prevent it. "

But in his interview with Radio Zamaneh he explicitly advocates for a 'fundamental change', defining it as the removal of Ayatollah Khamanei, the Supreeme leader of the Islamic Republic, in a similar fashion to non-violent revolutions in Eastern Europe. He then adds that this fundamental change is "impossible without foreign assistance.â€□^[22]

l) clearly evidence a personal vendetta being waged by Hossein Derakhshan against our client, under the guise of alleged "commentary."

Before Khalaji started working for the Washington Institute, I had written positive posts about him and his writings. [23] [24]

But since he started working for the neo-conservative Washington Institute with its clear agenda to overthrow the Islamic Republic, even through military action if necessary, I have been critical about Khalaji's contribution to such entity. The same way I have been critical of Mohsen Sazgera who was a fellow there before Khalaji. [25]

I have never met Khalaji and never had anything personal against him, either in public or private and what I have written about him is only based on his work.

At the same time, I am a established commentator on Iranian affairs. Aside from my bilingual blog that I have written in the past six years, I am a columnist for The Guardian^[26], Washington Post^[27] websites. My writings have also appeared on The New York Times^[28], International Herald Tribune^[29], BBC News^[30], Die Zeit^[31], etc. and I have been interviewed by various print or broadcast media on Iranian affairs. ^[32]

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August 24, 2007

Haleh Esfandiari and NED

I know speaking against Haleh Esfandiari is like suicide these days. After all, with the help of her mostly American and Iranian <u>neoliberal allies</u> (especially Washington Post's Robin Wright whose love for Esfandiari, for some reason, <u>surpasses</u> that of Esfandiari's own daughter), has become a symbolic victim of the 'most repressive regime on the planet.'

But let's be honest for a moment. If an American scholar served, in Tehran, as the head of a prominent think-tank, very close to the heart of the Iranian policy making machine, and started travelling back and forth to the U.S. and tried to establish contacts and with dissident Americans (let's say the leftists) and invited them to Tehran to speak for highest Iranian policy making, top officers of the Revolutionary Guards and intelligence officers, how would the U.S., even the most liberal one like Jimmy Carter, would treat him or

her?

On top of that, Haleh Esfandiari was the <u>first Iranian fellow at the National Endowment for Democracy</u> (NED) in 1995, as the first group of NED fellows. (She was followed by Hossein Bashirieh, Ramin Jahanbegloo, Siamak Namazi, Ali Afshari and Manouchehr Mohammadi ever since.)

And we all know about NED's roles and functions in countries where the U.S. wants to bring about its favorite governments such as in Venezuella and the rest. Some even suggest that the links between the CIA and NED are undeniable. "A lot of what we do today was done covertly 25 years ago by the CIA," says Allen Weinstein, who helped draft the legislation establishing NED in 1991. (Read the entire Le Monde Diplomatique's article on the links between NED and the CIA.)

Given what we know about NED today, I believe, anyone in any country who has had any ties with NED and its affiliate organisations (International Republican Institute, National Democratic Institute for International Affairs, American Center for International Labor Solidarity and Center for International Private Enterprise) deserves to be charged and fairly and justly prosecuted.

I emphasize on the process to be just and fair because I think Iran has sometimes ignored some of its own laws when it comes to such cases. For example, withholding Esfandiari's passport and therefore keeping her in Iran without prosecuting her was totally wrong and illegal.

But more or less the rest of her case was handled fairly and legally, given the laws in Iran, that like like in many countries post 9/11, give the right to the judge to extend the time a detainee can be held without charges. But Esfandiari had a lawyer, has contacts with her mother and, at it appears, was treated well in detention.

Now perhaps Danny Postel would like to write another piece for openDemocracy and compare me this time with Adolf Hitler. I wonder what he and other Christopher Hitchens clones think about the NED.

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August 21, 2007

Robert Tait markets Rafsanjani to Americans

I'm glad to see The Guardian's Robert Tait now officially showing his Rafsanjanist side these days. Two of his recent pieces are particularly revealing:

"Iran hangs 30 over 'US plots'", a shameless piece of false reporting that tries to connect the execution of murderers, assassins and rapists to Iran's concerns over the real American plots to destabilise the government exploiting the capacities within the Iranian civil society.

The Observer editors -- who are equally to be blamed for that shameless piece of propaganda -- seem to even doubt that U.S. has any plots against Iran and therefore put it in quotation marks.

The other Robert Tait's piece (Khomeini 'sought to drop Death to America chant') in The Guardian is yet another clear pro-Rafsanjani report that we see these days from Tehran-based correspondents since

Ahmadinejad came to power.

Tait, who I don't think is able to read Persian, exclusively reports on a new volume of Rafsanjani's endless and self-appreciating memoir that has just come out.

The new volume apparently includes a paragraphs on Rafsanjani's knowledge of Ayataollah Khomeini's disapproval of the popular "Death to America" and "death to the Soviet Union" slogans in Iran, Tait reports.

Even though in the following paragraphs Tait tries to balance his blunt bias toward Rafsanjani, the message of the article is too clear to hide: "Dear America, Rafsanjani will topple Khamanei and rules Iran they way you like. Please support him."

To use his own words, Robert Tait's reporting "comes at a sensitive time for Mr Rafsanjani as he prepares to seek election next month as head of a powerful clerical body, following the death of its sitting leader. Leadership of the assembly would put Mr Rafsanjani, an advocate of renewed ties with America, in a strong position to challenge Mr Khamenei."

Thank you Robert Tait to show us where exactly you stand these days.

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August 20, 2007

U.S. declares war on icon of justice and sacrifice in Iran

For a large part of the Iranian society, except for the post-Rafsanjani upper class, Iranian Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC)'s image is associated with pure patriotic and Shiite ideals about justice and sacrifice.

They are seen by the majority of Iranians as solely responsible for not having lost land during the war with Iraq.

It's no accident that the the birthday of Imam Hossein, the central icon of the Islamic Republic's ideology, was chosen as the official day to celebrate the Sepah.

After Ahmadinejad's win, Rafsanjanists started a big anti-Sepah campaign to paint it as a corrupt and brutal shadow government. Ironically, they were the same people who were cheering for the same Sepah after Khatami's victory, painting it as a diverse, honest, patriotic and moderate entity.

If the US wanted to further strengthen its image among the common Iranians as a force against the core values of justice, patriotism and sacrifice, nothing could be more effective than calling Sepah a terrorist group.

By this, the US has officially declared war against tens of millions of Iranians who are still living under the shadow of their loved ones who saved them and their country and whose names are seen in every corner of the country, on its schools, streets and stadiums.

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DW preferrs RSF to its critic

In last year's DWblog awards, I objected to an award sponsored and also dictated by Reports Sans Frontier on many grounds. Most important of which was the fact that unlike other jury members, RSF has a clear political agenda to demonise countries who happen to be those disliked by the United States, like Iran, China, Cuba and since last year apparently Russia. (I have written before about RSF's agenda before: here and here and here)

Long story short, I sensed that the DW-Online's staff and managers didn't like the challenge I posed against RSF and I decided not to accept their invitation this year, if RSF is still involved -- and I guess I even raised that with some of the DW staff.

Now I just saw on their website that the jury members for 2007 awards are announced and RSF's Julien Pain, who is a great guy but works for a terrible organisation, is on the jury again.

It is unfortunate that Deutche Welle has allowed RSF again to use its jury's and its own credibility for RSF's clear political agenda. But I don't think there is anything I could do now.

Masih Alinejad has replaced with me as the jury member for Iranian blogs, and even though I have never met her, I have followed her work and I think she's a great choice. I wish her success and I hope this year, in my absence, the jury sessions would not be too boring.:)

I also have to confess that I feel I am gradually getting isolated since I stopped looking at Iran and myself from the stereotypical Western point of view. It feels great, especially now, after being kicked out by my hosting company.

In last year's DW blog awards (The Best of the Blogs or The BOBs), I objected to an award sponsored and also dictated by Reports Sans Frontier on many grounds. Most important of which was the fact that unlike other jury members, RSF has a clear political agenda to demonise countries who happen to be those disliked by the United States, like Iran, China, Cuba and since last year apparently Russia. (I have written before about RSF's agenda before: here, here and here)

Long story short, I sensed that the DW-Online's staff and managers didn't like the challenge I posed against RSF and I decided not to accept their invitation this year, if RSF is still involved -- and I guess I even raised that with some of the DW staff.

Now I just saw on their website that the jury members for 2007 awards are announced and RSF's Julien Pain, who is a great guy but works for a terrible organisation, is on the jury again.

It is unfortunate that Deutche Welle has allowed RSF again to use its jury's and its own credibility for RSF's clear political agenda. But I don't think there is anything I could do now.

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More silence than sympathy

While almost everyone in the Iranian blogosphere and also the Iran-based or foreign-based Persian media outlets are dead silent on this unprecedented violation of free speech among Iranian blogs, some principled individuals have expressed concern in their English language blogs:

Niki Akhavan writes:

Whatever personal or political differences people have with Hossein, it's the responsibility of those of us who blog in English to expose the repressive and underhanded tactics of Iranians like Khalaji and the right-wing institutions for which they work. The same people and institutions that thrust themselves to the frontlines of debates about "democracy in Iran" and "freedom of expression" are quick to mobilize their financial resources and connections to muzzle the voice of one person who uses his blog to uncover just a few cogs in the wheels of what seems like a veritable anti-Iran industry. [...] Hossein Derakhshan is not a threat to Khalaji or the Washington Institute because of the content of what he said. What he has written about places like the Washington Institute and the National Endowment for Democracy is based on information that is widely and publicly available, often from the websites of these institutions themselves. Hossein's grave sin is that he wrote this material in Persian , and this is the real danger he poses for the Khalajis and their employers.

Nart Villeneue writes:

The blocking of websites by national filtering systems make content unavailable to those in such countries, but the deletion of content makes it unavailable to all. The blog of my friend Hossein was recently shutdown due to legal threats, making it unavailable to all while it was previously only censored in Iran. Threatening ISP's with "take downâ€□ requests is one of the most undocumented methods of censoring Internet content. Some sites, such as ChillingEffects document this to some degree but most cases occur in silence. Since much of it is related to copyright violations or terrorism few are paying close attention. Libel and defamation cases are more notable especially the cases in Malaysia and Singapore.

Nima Milaninia writes:

The following assessment by Host Matters is scary. It creates the unfortunate precedent of allowing large media figures to shut down speech by apparently harassing a web host for a week. Moreover, Hosting Matters is most likely immune from liability even if Hossein committed defamation. Section 230 of the Communications Decency Act (CDA) says that "No provider or user of an interactive computer service shall be treated as the publisher or speaker of any information provided by another information content provider.â€□ This federal law preempts any state laws to the contrary: "[n]o cause of action may be brought and no liability may be imposed under any State or local law that is inconsistent with this

section.â€□ [..]

Underlying these legal arguments, however, is the plain fact that Hosting Matters' actions are disturbing. Shutting down a blog and seeking to control its contents, even though it is legally permissible, is not an action ANY service provider should be committing. Its enough that all bloggers and activists take notice and petition against their action.

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August 13, 2007

A threat to all of us

This is an email I just sent to some friends. Feel free to spread the word please and note that this is a threat to all of us who have a blog or have any presence online.

Dear friends,

While everyone is on holidays, a new blow to online free speech has taken place and I would like to share it with you and ask for help..

Last Friday, I was kicked out of my hosting company (Florida-based Hosting Matters), as a result of a legal notice sent by Mehdi Khalaji, an Iranian fellow at a neo-conservative think-tank (Washington Institute for the Near East Policy with Richard Perle, Paul Wolfowitz and James Woolsey on its advisory board).

Mhedi Khalaji's lawyer has sent a notice to my hosting company and also my domain registrar, Go Daddy, asking them to a) remove any 'defamatory' material about him, b) make me publish an apology, and c) pay \$10,000 for the claimed damages

The lawyers claim are based on a mistranslation of a post I had written a few months ago about Khalaji and his support for a disgusting anti-Iranian campaign (http://www.afpc.org/IFI/iranfreedom.shtml) at another neo-conservative think-tank (American Foreign Policy Council) and his counsel to a think-tank with a clear agenda to overthrow the Iranian government by an economic warfare or a military attack.

The hosting company, clearly intimidated, asked me (documented below) to remove that specific post and also any material related to Mehdi Khalaji, since they didn't have enough resources to figure if they were actually defamatory or not.

I removed the mentioned post, but resisted against such strange request to remove anything I had written, mentioning Mehdi Khalaji.

Then last Friday, I noticed that the hosting company had actually removed, from my web serve and even my blogging software's database, any post where Mehdi Khalaji was named in English.

After threatening me not to disclose what the hosting company did, and after a few email exchanges, they terminated my account.

I have now migrated to a new hosting company, outside the United States, still struggling to get my numerous domain names, databases and online applications back and running.

This is a threat to all of us who write anything online these days. If someone could silence whatever he or she didn't like, even before a court order and based on intimidating hosting and domain registrar companies and based on mistranslated material, we would all going to be in big trouble soon.

It's all quite ironic that the way I am treated in the United States (by being kicked out of my servers) is worse than that in the Islamic Republic of Iran (by filtering my blog and forcing me to sign apology when I was last in Tehran). Ever more ironic is that a blog I was editing to cover internet censorship in Iran has also been shut down.

Please feel free to blog this and spread the word any way you can. I'll keep you post about the new developments by email, and as well on my temporary blog on blogspot (http://hodertempblog.blogspot.com).

Here are the supporting documents:

- 1) The initial legal notice from Khalaji's lawyer: http://hoder.com/weblog/images/khalajithreat.pdf
- 2) Email exchange with the hosting company led to termination of my accounts: http://hodertemp.blogspot.com/2007/08/accounts-and-billing-hosting-matters.html
- 3) My trouble with Islamic Republic of Iran's authorities: http://www.wired.com/techbiz/media/news/2006/03/70522

Warm regards,

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August 12, 2007

How Hosting Matters kicked me out: email exchanges

Persian bloggers, even my own (former) friends, can be so nasty.

Some are skeptical if what I say about being kicked out of my previous hosting account in Hosting Matters, as a result of Mehdi Khalaji's threat of a taking them and me and my domain registrar to court, is actually true.

So even though I guess it might cause some problems later on, I have published the entire <u>email exchange</u> I had with my hosting company over Mehdi Khalaji's threat. Please take a look and share it with others.

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Temporary move to blogspot

The new hosting account I have bought is a bit more sophisticated than the previous one and runs on with different arrangements. Therefore, I haven't managed to properly install my blogging software (Movable Type) there yet.

That's why I decided to continue on blogspot for now, until the problem is fixed. So please bear with me.

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August 11, 2007

The land of liberty -- and lawyers

Last night Hosting Matters abruptly terminated both my accounts on their server, because I noticed they had removed ANY English post where <u>Mehdi Khalaji</u> was mentioned. Not only from my web directories, but also from my blogging software database. Then they threatened me not to reveal anything about what they had done or they would sue me!

Fortunately, I had backed up all my data on both servers. But I'm still frustrated and puzzled at why were they so scared?

I'm considering taking legal action against Hosting Matters for its unethical conduct that has and is going to cost me a lot of time and money and energy.

Anyway, I'm now using a new hosting account I have recently bought. But I have to migrate dozens of domain names, software and plugins, blogs and databases to the new server and this takes a lot of time and energy -- and also technical expertise which I don't have when it comes to Virtual Private Servers.

So in the past 24 hours I've just managed to setup my email address and my main domain names and a tiny part of my archive, especially for my Persian blog.

I'm writing these lines using manual HTML coding and I guess I would have to do this until I finish the migration process, most likely in the next few days.

Let's see what Mehdi Khalaji, the Washington Institute's fellow, is going to do next to silence someone who thinks he is helping the <u>enemies of Iran and humanity</u>.

Here is the backgroud of the story, in case you don't understand what is happening here: Part one, part two

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August 10, 2007

Hosting Matters, intimidated by Mehdi Khalaji, removes my posts and kicks me out

I can't believe this!

Hosting Matters, my hosting company, has removed two of my posts abot Mehdi Khalaji's attempts to shut down this blog from my movable type database without even letting me know. (Cached versions: <u>here</u> and <u>here</u>)

They have threatened me to remove anything I've written about Mehdi Khalaji, or they suspend my account. After objecting to it and telling them that I would consider suing them for violating my rights, they have now asked me to leave!

I'm beginning to think that this guy is really supported by the people who are on the board of where he works for, i.e. Richard Perle, Paul Wolfowitz and James Woolsey.

Why does Mehdi Khalaji want no one know about whom he work for?

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August 9, 2007

NIAC endorses AIPAC think-tank's fellow

I understand Trita Parsi's frustration over <u>accusations</u> VOA Persian has raised against him and NIAC in its usual partial way of journalism. (Read <u>NIAC's response</u> that was never given a voice on VOA Persian.)

But I wonder how can this personal vendetta justify spending NIAC's hardly earned credibility to Mehdi Khalaji, a strong advocate for sanctions against Iran, a resident fellow at the Washington Institute (read AIPAC's think-tank), and an associate of Patrick Clawson and Ilan Berman, whom I think all NIAC members already know about their hardline anti-Iranian stance.

This is just a shame and I think NIAC members and supporters should object to that.

Posted by hoder at 8:12 PM | Comments (0) | TrackBack

August 8, 2007

Press TV's Touria Ghaffari

Brief message to Press TV's editors: Touria Ghaffari is not a qualified presenter and she has visible problems with English language. Please give her another job.

Posted by hoder at 4:12 PM | Comments (0) | TrackBack

August 2, 2007

Andrew Gilligan on Press TV

Andrew Gilligan is on Press TV now. Watch it live.

Posted by hoder at 10:35 PM | Comments (0) | TrackBack

Jahanbegloo advocated Rafsanjani in Wilson centre

The other day I asked you to take part in a guessing game, based on some quotes. Now, here is the answer.

The person who, in a speech at Woodrow Wilson's centre in 2003, said those words was Ramin Jahanbegloo.

Jahanbegloo also said in his speech, titled 'Iran: From Political Gridlock to Crisis of Legitimacy' that "[t] oday, what is certain is that democratic developments in Iraq are taking a slower pace than what was expected and the Iranian population has no hope of a future American intervention in Iran." (And note, thanks to my friend Mo, that Jahanbegloo used the word 'hope,' not 'fear'.)

He later went on and and by his three scenarios of a) the centrist Rafsanjani's win b) Revolutionary Guard's coup and c) wide-spread urban chaos, effectively called the US liberals to stand behind Rafsanjani in the then forthcoming election, if they didn't want to see those two other scenarios.

This is a further evidence for me about the ties between the neo-liberal regime change plans and Rafsanjanist reformers.

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August 1, 2007

Journalists or active members of armed separatist group

Reporters Sans Frontier (RSF) is at it again. (Read what they did before.)

Two individuals (Adnan Hassanpour and Abdolvahed "Hivaâ€□ Botimar) from a well-known Kurdish armed separatist group (Pejak), similar to PKK in Turkey, are sentenced to death in Iran, and just because they have apparently written a few articles in a tiny local newspaper, RSF wants us to believe their verdict is because of their writings.

These are not my words, this is what <u>their own lawyer</u>, <u>Saleh Nikbakht</u>, has told a Kurdish newspaper. He has also added that none of these two men are charged for their civil or journalistic activities. None are heroes and the people who want to make them look like a martyr have a political agenda.

Then the whole <u>false story</u> appears on the front page of the BBC news and everyone starts talking as if Iran is going to execute two innocent young men because of their writings.

But the BBC Persian, according to their lawyer, Saleh Nikbakht, gives us some more detail about their initial charges: Smuggling arms from Iranian army storage outside to the outlawed separatist armed Kurdish groups, giving information about military compounds to Kurdistan-based armed opposition groups, having direct contacts with the U.S. State Department's staff, helping two suspects of terrorism in south of Iran escape to Iraqi Kurdistan. (Although BBC Persian's headline still talks about them as journalists, even though in the story this is rejected)

Has the BBC News started to love anything negative about Iran these days so much that they don't even bother to verify these dodgy reports, coming from these so-called watchdogs? Why haven't they even asked the Persian service about any of this?

Knowing the fact that RSF's reports are based on the judgement of its only Persian speaker, Reza Moini, who is himself a well-known victim of the Islamic Republic's crackdown n the leftists/separatists in the early 80s and has not been back to Iran ever since, should make every impartial journalist doubt about whatever RSF sends out about Iran.

And then the French Foreign ministry also jumps on the wagon and calls Iran on stopping the execution of the two 'journalists'. When was the last time Bernard Kouchner's ministry said a word about executions in United States, China, Saudi Arabia, and many more countries whose laws still acknowledge the death punishment.

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Jan ter Laak and Press Now

When someone is simultaneously involved in human rights-oriented organisations and activities on Cuba, Russia, and Iran, there is surely something fishy there.

On the board of Press Now, the Amsterdam-based non-profit organisation that has launched and financed Radio Zamaneh, using a good chunk of the Dutch Foreign Ministry's 'Media Diversity in Iran' funding, there is someone like the above said.

Jan ter Laak is on the board of directors of Press Now and he has heavily been involved in Iranian human rights and NGO affairs. A bit of googling never harms:

- a) "Jan ter Laak" and Iran
- b) "Jan ter Laak" and Russia
- c) "Jan ter Laak" and Cuba

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July 27th, 2007

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Attention: The President

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GoDaddy.com, Inc. Suite 219 14455 N. Hayden Rd. Scottsdale, Arizona, U.S.A. 85260

Attention: Legal Counsel

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Hosting Matters, Inc. Suite 332 1650-302 Margaret Street Jacksonville, Florida, U.S.A. 32204-3869

Attention: The President

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Dear Sirs/Mesdames:

Re:

- Clams by Mohammed Mehdi Khalaji against

Hossein Derakhshan, GoDaddy.com, Inc. and Hosting Matters, Inc.

Domain:

www.hoder.com

and related webblog at http://hoder.com/weblog/

Registrant:

Hossein Derakhshan

Name Server: Name Server:

NS 3.HMDNSGROUP.com NS 4.HMDNSGROUP.com

We have been retained by Mohammed Mehdi Khalaji in connection with his claims against Hossein Derakhshan, the registrant of the domain addresses www.hoder.com/weblog (the "Websites") for which GoDaddy.com, Inc. and Hosting Matters, Inc. serve as Registrars and webhosts, and materials published thereon. There may be other websites that you register or host that mirror or automatically refer to the Websites, and this letter should be construed as applying to those websites as well.

As GoDaddy.com, Inc. and Hosting Matters, Inc. serve as Registrars of these domain names and host the Websites, they are implicated in the activities conducted at the Websites, and our client's claims extend to GoDaddy.com, Inc. and Hosting Matters, Inc. as well. Both GoDaddy.com, Inc. and Hosting Matters, Inc. are vicariously liable for the defamatory and other activities conducted through at the Websites that they host and service.

Without prejudice to our client's rights to advance further or other claims, our client takes particular objection to weblog content written and published by Hossein Derakhshan over the Websites that defame our client and are intended to incite violence and retribution against our client and those of his family members who still live in Iran. There are a number of defamatory statements contained on the Websites for which Hossein Derakhshan clams authorship, which amount to very serious libels upon our client. Specifically, we attach excerpts from a certified translation into English of the corresponding original Farsi text of excerpts from the Websites, noting the particularly egregious libels.

These defamatory statements by Hossein Derakhshan directly and by innuendo:

- (a) state falsely that our client is a traitor to the government and people of Iran;
- (b) state falsely that our client has worked for U.S. Vice-President Cheney's office, and by innuendo is a dupe or puppet of the U.S. government;



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- (c) state falsely that our client has counselled the Vice-President of the United States of America to bomb our client's former offices in Iran;
- (d) state falsely that our client has counselled the Vice-President of the United States of America to bomb thousands of men, women and children,
- (e) state falsely that our client counsels enemies of Iran and of humanity;
- (f) incites others to follow the defamer Hossein Derakhshan's lead by spiting in our client's face;
- (g) state falsely that our client holds and publicizes the belief that political change is not possible from within Iran;
- (h) state falsely that our client struggles to converse and express himself in the English language;
- (i) state falsely that our client counsels the government of the United States of America to chose military action and economic sanctions against Iran, over and instead of diplomatic talks;
- (j) state falsely that our client's academic research papers are in reality thinly veiled instruction manuals on how to locate and attack the weaknesses of the legitimate government of Iran;
- (k) state falsely that our client is a proponent of, and openly supports, civil unrest, revolution and a regime change in Iran through the use of the military, and violence if necessary; and
- (I) clearly evidence a personal vendetta being waged by Hossein Derakhshan against our client, under the guise of alleged "commentary".

While knowledge or mindful intention is not necessary in Canada to found an action in tort for defamation, it is clear that Hossein Derakhshan has made and repeats these defamatory allegation on the Websites with the clear intention of jeopardizing our client's life and personal safety, and the lives and personal safety of those of our client's family members still in Iran. In fact, in consequence of these defamatory statements that each of you have published on the Websites, our client has received threats on his life and upon the lives of his family members, by persons purporting to be instrumentalities of the Iranian government.

In addition to being blatantly defamatory, these offensive comments which you host are vulgar, racist, hateful, condone and incite racism, violence, the violent overthrow of a government and other unlawful activity. As such they fall well within the take down provisions of the agreement that each of GoDaddy.com, Inc. and Hosting Matters, Inc.



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publish on their respective websites as governing the terms of their hosting arrangements with Hossein Derakhshan. These offensive comments for which you are each vicariously liable also interfere with our client's legitimate economic relations with third parties.

Please be advised that our client will be seeking general damages, special damages, punitive damages, aggravated damages, interest and costs arising from your activities. Accordingly, we are affording you an opportunity to assist in the mitigation of our client's claims against each of you:

- (a) by taking down and removing the offensive weblog materials and undertaking, in unequivocal terms, not to re-post or further publish them;
- (b) by preparing and submitting to our office, for our client's review and approval, a draft of a clear and unequivocal letter of contrition, apology and retraction for ultimate publication in final approved form on the home page of the Websites and elsewhere as our client might desire in his discretion; and
- (c) by payment to our client of the sum of \$10,000 U.S. toward the cost of his investigation and remediation of your defamatory and other improper acts.

We would ask that you provide us with your confirmation and undertaking that you will effect the action requested in partial mitigation of our client's claims, no later than August 5th, 2007. We also ask that you provide us with any information in your possession or under your control that indicates the Internet protocol addresses of web browsers that have accessed any of the Websites since their inception.

As you can appreciate, our client reserves the right to take steps before the August 5th, 2007 date if he determines the need to take additional steps to protect his interests before that time. Without prejudice to our client's rights to assert a mindful intention on your part prior to the date of this letter, you should know that your failure to provide, carry through with and observe the confirmation and undertaking that we request will be construed by our client as wilful and mindful conduct on your part from the date of this letter forward.

We look forward to hearing from you and would ask that you govern yourself accordingly.





Yours truly,

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Editor: Myself (Persian)

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http://i.holder.com. This is a Persian (Farsi) weblog, written by Hossein Derakhshan (aka, Hoder), an Iranian Multimedia designer and a journalist who has lived in Toronto since Dec 2000. He also keeps an English weblog with the same name. en-us hoder@hoder.com 2007-03-28T14:32:09+01:00 hourly, 2000-01-01T12:00+00:00 http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/europe/65-1997.stm- This

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Mehdi Khalaji is the only Iranian who has worked for both Khamenei's office and Dick Cheney's, who intends to bomb Khalaji's former office building plus thousands of men, women and children living in the surrounding area.

Some time ago, AFPC (US Foreign Policy Centre), a right-wing firm with a close relationship with Israel, through its one-day convention regarding the "Iran's threat", launched its one-week-long propaganda campaign, thus frightening people in the US

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about the growing threat of Iran. These thirty-second advertisements were broadcast the CNN, SNBC, Headline News and Fox News channels. (See one of the thirty-sec anti-Iranian videos.)

At the conference (represented in the form of a new program as "Freedom of Iran"), Mehdi Khalaji along with Ilan Berman, Patrick Clawson, James Woolsey and a few others, gave lectures on the growing threat of Islamic Republic of Iran and the roots the regime. (See the complete videos of the speeches.)

Mehdi Khalaji, while struggling to read the English translation of his article, tried to explain the reason why political changes were not possible from inside Iran and, as result [in order to eliminate "the growing threat of Iranians against world peace"], very the US must choose either military action or economic sanctions, instead of holding

I don't know what you would like to call Mr. Khalaji's informed help, giving ideas cruelest and dirtiest enemies of Iran and humanity. But I do know that if I run into one day, instead of saying hello, I will spit in his face.

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http://i.hoder.com/archives/2007/03/070327_015895.shtml - In the comment section someone in the past stated that I had become a strong critic of the US, since I had difficulty staying in New York as planned in September 2005, when the American officers at the border on the Peace Bridge, near Buffalo (I know the pronunciation

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down, and then vice versa. One is "regime change" or destroy Iran, which has two branches; one supports military action, or the "velvet revolution" or civilian resistance (which is looked after by Ganji with complete stupidity), or social changes. There is also another policy, which is moderation of the behaviour of the Iranian regime through increased interaction, mutual talks and economic relationships.

Just be aware that "regime change" or destroying the regime is a term with a specific meaning that is different from its literal meaning, which is a complete change of government. I will write about this later.

It is obvious which of all of these American and European *think-tanks* and academic and semi-academic organizations working on Iran follow what specific policy. But it is interesting to know that almost all Iranians who have recently gone to the US have joined one of the centres that follow the "regime change" line of thought.

For example, the Washington Institute, where Mehdi Khalaji and Sazgara work or have worked, openly supports the "regime change" policy, even through military action. (Just imagine that Mehdi Khalaji has worked for both the "Entekhab" newspaper connected to Khamenei and the institute that intends to bomb his former office. What an integrated moral system.)

Or, for example, some of the former members of the Tahkim Vahdati group, including Afshari and Atri and many of the younger ones, have joined the Human Rights

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- Statistics as the world's blogs for each country / Iranian blogs are estimated to total around 700,000
- Omid Memarian receiving an award from Human Rights Watch / I hope this news
 will not cause a problem for his family. Perhaps it would be a good idea if he
 condemns it in his blog.
- Ahmadinejad: Israel is an insult to human dignity and must be wiped off the map / Someone's got to stop this stupid person!

Oct. 26, 2005

The first research report written by Mehdi Khalaji for the Institute in Washington /
What Khalaji and Sazgara are doing is the same as if Ralph Nader goes to Al
Ghadah and writes an article for Bin Laden on how to attack the US.

Oct. 25, 2005

- An Arabic television channel is being developed by the BBC / In 2007 it will broadcast 12 hours of publicly funded programming a day. 10 European language services will be eliminated.
- "Human Sciences", "Reading in English" means what?; Khorshid Khanoom / She is actually right. If you want to learn, you have to read it.

4/2/2007

That is the reason I convict Shirin Ebadi for her works after being awarded the Nobel Prize, because her works are narrative colonial paradigm. I have the same opinion towards Mehrangiz Carr, Azar Nafisi, Akbar Gnji, Ramin Jahanbegloo, Ahmad Batabi, Ali Afshari, Hossein Bastani and many more. I am not saying they are betrayers, because their benefit to colonial power is indirect and probably without their knowledge. But people like Reza Pahlavi, Mohsen Sazgara, Mehdi Khalaji and Abass Fakhravar, who provide services to colonial power directly and knowingly, are convicted, and the Islamic Republic can exercise its right to convict and punish them someday. As much as the US can reward them for their services.

But there are many other critics of the Islamic Republic and political activists whose narratives, either informed, or non-informed, even under the strong pressure of the structuralist wing of the government, are post-colonial paradigm. There are not too many out of Iran, but out of those in Iran, I can mention the names of Shadi Sadr and Emad Baghi.

I will write more about Shadi Sadr and the importance of her existence later, but she works as hard in the area of women's rights as the other women who call their activities a secular movement, and she also tolerates lots of pressure. However, contrary to the movement considered as "secular," her activities are based on a post-colonial paradigm. For this reason, ordinary people from Iran benefit from her activities more than they would from someone like Mehrangiz Carr, whose activities after leaving Iran benefit

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Saturday, August 11, 2007

Email exchange with Hosting Matters

Some are skeptical if what I say about being kicked out of my previous hosting account in Hosting Matters, as a result of Mehdi Khalaji's threat of a taking them and me and my domain registrar to court, is actually true.

So even though I guess it might cause some problems later on, I have published the entire email exchange I had with my hosting company over Mehdi Khalaji's threat. Please take a look and share it with others.

03 August 2007 22:42

From: Accounts and Billing - Hosting Matters, Inc. Reply-To: "Accounts and Billing - Hosting Matters, Inc."

To: Hossein Derakhshan

After discussions with our attorney regarding the complaint filed by Mehdi Khalaji, a review of the material in question, and a review of applicable US and Canadian law as it relates to material of the sort posted to your site and listed in the complaint, we are requesting that you remove the references to this person as noted below from your site. As you are no doubt aware, we do not issue such requests lightly - in fact, we would hope that such requests would never, under any circumstance, be necessary at all. In this case, however, given the differences in US and Canadian law regarding posting of material that is alleged to be defamatory in nature, and specifically regarding the material and commentary you have posted, we have found that the material and commentary fall into a grey area regarding the allegations made by the complainant. The most prudent course of action, whether the allegations of defamation are valid or not in this instance, is to remove the material from the site. Obviously, we have no desire to stifle anyone's rights to voice their opinions, nor are we particuarly interested in the political or social views they may express so long as those expressions do not violate any statute or our acceptable use policy. That desire must be balanced, however, by the review of content that we are required to undertake when a complaint is generated about that content and any action we find we must take as required or advised.

We have advised the complainant, through their representative, that the material will be removed no later than 12:01 AM Eastern US time, August 5, 2007. If we find the material remains on the site at that time, we will either remove the material ourselves or deactivate the site pending the removal of said material, at our discretion. We would prefer to take neither of these actions, so please ensure that the material is in fact removed. We would also caution you regarding any public statements you may feel compelled to make regarding the removal of said material, specifically as it regards our communications to you requesting its removal or our actions in this matter. We would also caution you regarding any public statements you

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feel compelled to make regarding the individual in question.

Material to be removed:

Archived item: http://i.h0der.com/archives/2007/03/070329_015899.shtml Linked/archived item: http://i.hoder.com/linkdooni/2005_10.html Other content where personal commentary is offered on the individual in question

If you have any questions regarding this notice, please contact support.

Regards,

Annette
Hosting Matters, Inc.
http://www.hostingmatters.com

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04 August 2007 00:26

From: Accounts and Billing - Hosting Matters, Inc. Reply-To: "Accounts and Billing - Hosting Matters, Inc."

To: ho----@----.com

Pursuant to our previous notice, please understand that we are requesting that you pull down all reference to Mr. Khalaji in any language in which it is posted. Additionally, you are advised that if this is not accomplished by the time set forth in our previous letter, our attorney has advised that we remove your entire site (in all languages) since we are not able to translate any foreign languages. As noted before, we would prefer not to have to take such drastic action, so please ensure that any and all references are removed.

Regards,

Annette
Hosting Matters, Inc.
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04 August 2007 11:31 From: Hossein Derakhshan

To: "Accounts and Billing - Hosting Matters, Inc."

From the material you've asked to be removed, I should let you know that $http://i.h0der.com/archives/2007/03/070329_015899.shtml$ and

http://i.hoder.com/linkdooni/2005_10.html

are not hosted on your server. That two were the main basis of the complain.

I won't remove ALL other references to him, unless I receive complains. It would be a clear violation of my right for free speech to remove them just because you can't read them.

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09 August 2007 21:23

From: Accounts and Billing - Hosting Matters, Inc. Reply-To: "Accounts and Billing - Hosting Matters, Inc."

To: Hossein Derakhshan Cc: Hossein Derakhshan Please remove the latest post you have made referencing Mehdi Khalaji. This person continues to insist that everything and anything you post about him is defamatory. While we do not agree with the assessment as it relates to the latest post you have made, we do not have the time, interest, or resources to invest in continually dealing with his complaints and to review your site. Please remove that post and refrain from mentioning this person in any form on the site you host within this network. The post needs to be removed immediately and the entire site rebuilt so that no references remain in any archives or category listings. In addition, any other references you have to this individual are to be removed. Whether you archive them or not is entirely up to you. Such postings cannot, however, remain within this network.

Regards,

Annette
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09 August 2007 21:34

From: Accounts and Billing - Hosting Matters, Inc. Reply-To: "Accounts and Billing - Hosting Matters, Inc."

To: Hossein Derakhshan Cc: Hossein Derakhshan

Also, as an addendum to the below: this content must be removed no later than midnight tonight. If the content is not removed and the site rebuilt to ensure no references remain in any archive or category, the site will be suspended. We do not take this action lightly, as we have previously noted. However, we also will not allow ourselves to be dragged into whatever battle is going on between the two of you, as all of this is taking away time and energy that should be spent addressing the needs of all clients and maintaining the service here.

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09 August 2007 21:46 From: Hossein Derakhshan

To: "Accounts and Billing - Hosting Matters, Inc."

I need to consult my lawyer and he comes back tomorrow from hollidays. I request the deadline to be extended another 24 hours until tomorrow (10 Aug) at mid-night (EST.)

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09 August 2007 21:53

From: Annette

Reply-To: billing@hostmatters.com

To: Hossein Derakhshan

The deadline remains tonight. What issues you take up with your attorney as far as potentially pursuing action against this person for any cause, such as (for example) barratry and/or harassment, is not relevant to the content posted here and which must be removed. We will not engage ourselves in the issues that the two of you have between you. If for some reason you take action against this person and are successful in that action, we will reconsider the ban on posting of anything related to him within this network - however, at this point, due to the time, energy, and monies we have already spent on this issue, we are not inclined to reverse that prohibition at this time. We do not involve ourselves in personal battles between two parties, nor will we permit our resources to be utilized in such battles to the detriment of other

clients within this network. Regards,

Annette
Hosting Matters, Inc.
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09 August 2007 22:01 From: Hossein Derakhshan To: billing@hostmatters.com

No, I'm considering to sue YOU for violating my free speech, just because of someone's hollow threats.

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09 August 2007 22:15

From: Annette

Reply-To: billing@hostmatters.com

To: Hossein Derakhshan

I have spent a week of time, money, and energy now trying to figure out a way to keep the content up, arguing with my own attorney who suggested just terminating your account, to get these people to go away, and this is what we get. You take zero responsibility for anything you've done, and it's all our fault because you - a nonlawyer, unversed in defamation and libel law - have deemed this legal situation "hollow" without spending a dime and certainly without covering any of the costs we have incurred trying to defend that very "free speech" you reference. I see. In addition, for your edification, WE are under no obligation to allow you to post anything of any sort. Free speech applies to governmental interference with speech, not to private companies.

Go right ahead and consult with any attorney you like, and they'll explain the facts of life to you. In the meantime, since you seem to think we should be spending many thousands of dollars to defend your ability to say whatever you like - including content that very likely would be found to be defamatory, under the laws of both Canada and the US - and since you seem to think we should spend an inordinate amount of resources to do this to the detriment of every other client within this network, it is clear that we are not the host for you. We expect that you will have all of your material moved to another host no later than Saturday at 10 PM Eastern US time.

Regards,

Annette

Hosting Matters, Inc. http://www.hostingmatters.com

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09 August 2007 23:49 From: Hossein Derakhshan To: billing@hostmatters.com

Have you removed anything from my database already?!?!

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10 August 2007 00:00

From: Annette

Reply-To: billing@hostmatters.com

To: Hossein Derakhshan

We clearly informed you previously that you were to remove all references to this person from the site or we would remove it for you. That is precisely what we did, as you failed to remove references to him from your site. The other option was to suspend the site. Believing you to be a reasonable person, we did not take that action. Given your conduct now, after everything we have done for you over time, we should have simply suspended the site instead.

I will also guarantee you of this: unlike this person with whom you have this running battles whose threats you deem "hollow", we will make no threats should we find you engaging in any libel or slander of our service and/or actions. We will simply appropriately engage legal proceedings. At that point, everything that has been done for you to this point, including the provisioning of a server at what amounts to about \$10 per month, will be made public record, along with the issues you created here and the expenses we incurred as a result of your behavior. I doubt that these items will reflect well for you in such a case, since the factual nature of any claims we make will be quite clear.

This is the last response you will receive from us unless it involves some technical issue you are having moving your sites elsewhere. On Saturday at 10 PM Eastern, the sites owned by you will be terminated from this network. No backups will be retained, so you are to ensure that whatever content you need is content that you retrieve. Regards,

Annette
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10 August 2007 00:21 From: Hossein Derakhshan To: billing@hostmatters.com

I think you for all you help and service you have given me in the past few years. But you are just giving in to some warmongers here.

This guy is working for the Israeli-lobby's think-tank where Richard Perle and Paul Wolfowitz serve on its board. If saying this is libel then I think there is something wrong with you.

You are kicking me out just because you are bullied. I understand this, but I also learnt what does free speech mean in the United States.

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10 August 2007 00:35 From: Annette

Reply-To: billing@hostmatters.com

To: Hossein Derakhshan

You have clearly failed to grasp the nature of their complaint and the specified content and just as clearly failed to understand why you are being informed to seek hosting elsewhere - it is certainly not because we are being "bullied" in any way, nor are we supporting "warmongers". Rather, your failure to abide by the terms of our acceptable use policy regarding defamatory or libelous material, plus your absurd conduct in this matter, have resulted in your removal from this service. You have also not learned anything about free speech in the US, since, once again, we are NOT a governmental agency and not required to allow you to say anything at all within this network if we choose not to.

If we find a single one of these types of claims, or any other that we deem factually incorrect, in any public arena or disseminated to any third party, our attorney will be directed to immediately draw up papers for service. As there is no possible way for you to show that any of your petulant comments have any shred of fact in them,

there is no doubt whatsoever that we would prevail in such a case. We would also seek the full extent of damages available to us, including punitive damages.

Ticket closed. We will not continue to address this issue with you, since you fail to even remotely understand the nature and consequences of your actions, or take any responsibility for them.

All techs: do not respond to any ticket of any sort like this from this user. Tickets of this nature are to be closed without response. Technical issues only. Saturday, 10 PM Eastern is the deadline.

Regards,

Annette
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10 August 2007 00:39 From: Hossein Derakhshan To: billing@hostmatters.com

My posts were not defamatory and this is precisely their lawyers said. If they were defamatory, instead of their lawyer threatening you, you'd have received a note from a court.

You are going to pay a price for this. I'm telling you. It would damage your image.

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10 August 2007 01:16

From: Annette

Reply-To: billing@hostmatters.com

To: Hossein Derakhshan

If we receive another nonsensical reply like this, your account will be terminated immediately, with no further notice. If we see any nonsensical claims by you regarding our service or actions, your account will be terminated immediately, and without notice, as well as the appropriate legal options taken. I am not kidding about any of this, and I'm not going to debate this any further with you since you are not a lawyer and have no grasp of what you're talking about - not to mention the slack we've cut for you over time, over and over again, with no thanks whatsoever from you. Get your content moved elsewhere by the deadline. Your failure to do so will be your responsibility and your failure alone.

Regards,

Annette Hosting Matters, Inc. http://www.hostingmatters.com

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10 August 2007 01:19 From: Hossein Derakhshan To: billing@hostmatters.com

I am moving my stuff already. And i want the rest of my money back, by the way.

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10 August 2007 01:30

From: Annette

Reply-To: billing@hostmatters.com

To: Hossein Derakhshan

We are not in the habit of keeping monies for service that is unused. However, you have no refunds due, and in fact you owe funds to us, as you have failed to pay the open invoice from MAY for hoder.info - another site we should clearly have suspended, given your behavior, this time for nonpayment, but left up as a courtesy. The remaining 14 days on the contract for hoder.com will be applied to that invoice. The remainder of that invoice, from June 1 to this Saturday when the site is terminated, is being written off, since clearly you do not intend to pay the invoice, considering the length of time it has been open. It will simply be added to our list of nonpayers as well as retained in the file we have started related to you and your account in the event it is necessary for anyone to have that information. Regards,

Annette
Hosting Matters, Inc.
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10 August 2007 01:37 From: Hossein Derakhshan To: billing@hostmatters.com

Come on! Don't remind about your courtesy! I have seen my website has been suspended several times after the payment was overdue. Clearly this has been a technical problem. Please stop playing like the responsible client-centered hosting company, now that you have kicked me out like this!

You are going to get a lot of heat form bloggers for doing this to me. Wait and see.

Especially because of going to my database and remove anything you wanted! Well, that's really new to me! Even in North Koreas, i guess, they don't do that.

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10 August 2007 01:42 From: Annette

Reply-To: billing@hostmatters.com

To: Hossein Derakhshan

Accounts terminated. Regards,

Annette
Hosting Matters, Inc.
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Posted by Hossein Derakhshan at 6:11 AM

6 comments:

Isama said...

"I'm considering to sue YOU for violating my free speech, just because of someone's hollow threats."!!

Since when you are standing up for free speech?! YOU, fucking hypocrite.

August 11, 2007 7:19 PM

Isama said...

This post has been removed by the author. August 11, 2007 7:20 PM

Saber said...

I am really happy that they shut you down! you fucking freak came to this country from a shitshole and you want to teach them about free speech? F*** you! If fact, if I were them, I will not only shut your website down but I will also put you on a boat and send you back to where the hell you came from in first place. You dirty maggot think you can do anything you want? I am very sorry for that lady who spent all her time replying to your stupid emails!

August 13, 2007 8:25 AM

Asad said...

That wasn't the smartest way to go about moving your stuff, I suggest a decent hosting service in Canada or if you are really serious bullet proof hosting in china. just google bullet proof hosting and you'll find a bunch.

August 13, 2007 1:19 PM

PersianCowboy said...

This really sucks. I had a similar issue and problem with a Texas appeals court judge who didn't like the fact that I made posts about her ownership of a strip club in Dallas. It is very hard to win a defamation case in US unless they can clearly proof that you lied intentionally in your blog about him which I don't think is the case.

I will email your hosting company. Please let me know if I can be of any support.

August 13, 2007 5:00 PM

Mohammad said...

Perhaps there is a lesson here for you and all of us. We should keep our cool in all situations and do not try to use threats without knowing the law. Annette is either a lawyer herself or she has consulted a lawyer. She's been very careful throughout not to use even one single word that might be used against her organization. On the other hand, it seems to me instead of actually consulting a lawyer, you decided to act like a bully. Well, it does not work in these situations. I'm pretty sure the outcome would have been

different if you didn't take this matter so lightly and tried to work with these people. But again I'm not a lawyer.

August 17, 2007 4:26 AM

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