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## The Statement of the Central Committee of the Tudeh Party of Iran: The Tudeh Party of Iran Strongly Condemns the Intrusive and Dangerous Nature of George W. Bush's Speech

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George W. Bush's "State of the Union" Speech in the U.S. congress on Jan 29, about continuing "the American war against terrorism" and threatening Iran, Iraq and North Korea by calling them the "Axis of Evil" has given rise to great concern among all the people around the world. Some countries in the European Union and the Middle East, Russia, and other countries around the world taken aback at this new stance by the leaders of the United States, have expressed their surprise and opposition to the statements made by George Bush.

The Tudeh Party of Iran and other progressive and patriotic forces of Iran and the Middle East condemn these irresponsible and inflammatory statements; we are deeply concerned about the dangers threatening the region's political stability and the future of our countries.

The unprecedented presence of the military forces of United States in the Persian Gulf region, the unprecedented crisis of Middle East and Israel's intention to set its account straight with Iran and Iraq leaves no place for optimism. The recent position of the United States of America has also served as a pretext in the hand of the most reactionary forces in our country to increase their pressure against the alternative forces accusing them of

cooperation with imperialism and the United States. The ultra right wing forces of the Velayate-Faghih regime are manipulating the events to their interests by spouting out empty and misleading slogans. On the other hand, the bankrupt political forces of the former overthrown regime have also been mobilized. By observing the events in Afghanistan and the return of the close allies of the overthrown monarch of Afghanistan, they have become highly excited at the prospect of assuming their role in a dangerous game the western countries have created for them.

The global mass media reveal the enormous pressure brought on the U.S. government by the powerful forces protecting the interests of the Israeli government as well as wielding strategic control over the United States economy. These forces intend to gain support for the adventurous plans of the Israeli government to guarantee their supremacy over the economic and political trend in the Middle East and North Africa, based on the military hegemony.

In the last two month, the Bush administration has practically opened up an entirely new era in U.S. foreign policy. The backbone of this policy is an unconditional support for Sharon's government and its

adventurous and dangerous policies. Bush and his NATO allies have completely forgotten about the creation of an independent Palestinian government that was to come into existence only three month ago.

At this point, the predominant belief in the Middle East is that the U.S. policy will give full support to Sharon's government policies. By exaggerating the role of the Iranian government over the radical Palestinian forces, Israel intends to show that the Islamic Republic of Iran is totally responsible for the recent clashes and poses the greatest threat to Israeli security. In recent weeks, informed sources in Israel have disclosed the Israeli government's plans for military action against nuclear power stations and economic targets in Iran.

Two decades ago, Ronald Reagan, the then president of the United States, by calling the Soviet Union, the "Evil Empire", tried to create a united front from the Vatican to Saudi Arabia to destroy the socialist countries. Today, President Bush, following in his footsteps, is trying to gain power to expand and stabilize the "New World Order", especially in the strategic region of the Middle East and the Central Asia.

George Bush has declared the beginning of this aggression against the so-called "Evil Axis" countries in context of other serious and worrying events happening in other parts of the world. Military assistance of the U.S. army to the Philippine government to suppress the opposition forces under the guise of "war against terrorism", all round aggression of the Israeli forces against the territory of Palestinian Self Rule Government and practically the re-occupation of this territory, the rise of diplomatic controversy between Zimbabwe and Britain and full fledged diplomatic mobilization by the United States to bring about its dominance over the political changes all over the world, are part and parcel of a united imperialist planned aggression.

The Tudeh Party of Iran strongly condemns the statement by George Bush and the planners of the U.S. policies in relation to intervention in our country's internal affairs.

We don't believe that these policies of the United States will broaden freedom, democracy and struggle against terrorism in the world. By "admiring the strong leadership" of "General Perviz Mosharraf", the coup leader in Pakistan, in Bush's speech, removes the farce over the real meaning of "democracy" and "war against terrorism" in the dictionary of the United States government. The government of Pakistan was and still remains the main supporter of the Taliban and Osama Ben Laden. Backing of terrorists in Kashmir and India by the Pakistani government and the Pakistani intelligence services is not something hidden from public opinion.

The Tudeh Party of Iran, considering the highly volatile situation existing in the region and the danger of American intervention, calls upon all the political, national and democratic forces of Iran, to take a united and consistent stand to prevent conspiracy of the forces backed by the imperialism. The democratic movement of our country should not allow the Islamic regime give the United States any pretext for military aggression against our country by taking adventurous policies in the region and intervention in the affairs of other countries.

We believe that with the mobilization of the people and intensifying the struggle for democratic reforms, we can block the reactionary forces and limit the adventurous policies of imperialism. We again call upon all the anti-dictatorial, progressive and national forces of our country to unite and struggle against imperialist conspiracies and internal reaction, to move towards fundamental, democratic and stable changes.