

## **Ayatollah Sayyed Ali Khamenei: IRI will do whatever needed to help Gaza - 8 /Jan/ 2009**

Islamic Revolution Leader Ayatollah Sayyed Ali Khamenei said Thursday that Israel and America by their gut-wrenching atrocities in Gaza actually seek to annihilate the foundation of resistance in the significant Middle East region and subsequently take rein of its riches and benefits.

Ayatollah Khamenei described the massacre of children, women and the innocent people in Gaza at the hands of the Zionists as a rare tragedy, adding however that the developments will definitely lead to victory of truth over falsehood thanks to God's assistance, the firm resolve of the Palestinian combatants and the presence of nations in the scene.

Ayatollah Khamenei made the remarks in a public meeting coincided with the Ashura anniversary when the third Shii Imam, Hazrat Hussein ibn Ali (A.S.) was martyred in a battle against the bullying rulers of his time, 13 centuries ago.

The IR Leader said the message of the unforgettable Ashura epic event was that the Islamic ummah must keep vigilant adding that Imam Hussein taught the nations to bear their responsibility of keeping vigilance towards any sort of hidden conspiracies and adopt a timely and brave action to counter them, albeit incurring some necessary price to foil the conspiracies.

Ayatollah Khamenei said the Zionist bloodshed in Gaza also has a covert side which enshrouds some conspiracy to annihilate the foundation of resistance in the region and consequently take rein of the riches in the Middle East. Ayatollah Khamenei urged the Muslim nations and government to heed the point and adopt an appropriate action to counter the conspiracy.

Ayatollah Khamenei said the Big Satan and the Usurper Israel also sought an identical objective in their 33-day war against Lebanon in summer 2006 but to no avail.

"They sought to produce a kowtow Middle East. Their hodgepodge of dreams failed to realize as brave, sacrificing and faithful Lebanese youths delivered a hard slap in the mouth of America, Israel and all their cronies," Ayatollah Khamenei said.

Ayatollah Khamenei then touched on an official acknowledgment in the West that the Islamic Republic of Iran had stood model for regional resistance.

"They have admitted too that the Islamic Iran thanks to its people's vigilance is viewed by the regional nations as a spectacular paradigm of resistance and victory. The domineering powers have now targeted the innocent, democratic government of Hamas as a stage of their conspiracy to annihilate the resistance," Ayatollah Khamenei said.

The IR Leader then warned against the indifferent governments in the region that if the enemies of Islam got success at the stage for sure they would not leave alone other parts of the Middle East. "The Islamic states which have

refused to help Palestine should understand the dangerous consequences of their mistakes."

Ayatollah Khamenei said the awakening of nations and their presence in the scene was an important factor in boosting the Palestinian resistance.

"I especially thank the faithful youths who gathered in airports and other places and announced their wish to go to Gaza. But I must note that our hands are bound in this regard," the IR Leader added.

"Nevertheless, everybody should know that the Islamic Republic will do whatever needed to help innocent Palestinian people as it has already done in the past," Ayatollah Khamenei said.

The Islamic Revolution Leader called the efforts of some Islamic governments in support of the people of Gaza as good but insufficient. "By constant political and public pressures, we should force the enemy to withdraw," Ayatollah Khamenei urged.

Ayatollah Khamenei said the tragedy of Gaza shed the reputation of the world's fake human rights advocates.

"The shelterless children and the oppressed women of Gaza fall on the ground every day like autumn leaves while no utterance is heard from the United Nations, or other organizations who claims are advocating human rights or Western governments including the European governments. The bitter reality shows the insincerity and deceit of the organizations and governments who claim they are defending human rights."

Ayatollah Khamenei Expressed deep regret that some intellectuals, press and media within the Islamic world had directed their attacks at Palestine's legal government or had justified the Zionist crimes.

"These people will for sure be responsible in front of God for their complicity with the criminals. Fortunately in the Islamic Iran, the solid unanimity of people and government has led to a laudable support for the oppressed Palestinians."

Ayatollah Khamenei said that the Gaza developments will definitely lead to victory of truth over falsehood, adding that even if the enemy, God forbid, got success to kill all resistance fighters and Palestinian strugglers, the Palestinian cause would not vanish.

"No doubt, Palestine thanks to its experiences would rise up in front of the enemy very much stronger than before and would finally overcome them," the IR Leader added.

"God willing, all Muslim nations will celebrate their victory in a near future," the IR Leader promised.