

## Supreme Leader Meets Hajj Officials - 6 /Dec/ 2010

Ayatollah Khamenei the Supreme Leader of the Islamic Revolution met today with the officials in charge of hajj affairs. Speaking at the meeting, His Eminence referred to the good measures taken by hajj officials this year and reiterated that hajj officials should consolidate the useful and effective measures taken during this year's hajj. His Eminence expressed his gratitude to the efforts made by the officials in charge of hajj and added: "Besides taking positive and useful measures, we should avoid ignoring the shortcomings so that year by year we get closer to the favorable hajj."

Elsewhere in his speech, the Supreme Leader of the Islamic Revolution underlined the importance of Islamic unity and reducing tension between Shia and Sunni. "Even before the victory of the Revolution, the pioneers of the Islamic Revolution were the standard-bearers of unity in the world of Islam."

Ayatollah Khamenei said that it is necessary for hajj officials to maintain a close relationship with pilgrims and reiterated: "Seeing the purity, spirituality and grandeur of the holy places in Mecca and Medina, people undergo a great transformation. Preserving this achievement is of paramount importance, and this is possible through maintaining a close relationship with pilgrims and developing appropriate cultural norms."