

Iran Nukes Erase Obama's Majority In Congress

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President Obama has announced that he has nearly succeeded in completing a deal with Iran over their nuclear program. The deal would lift sanctions against the Muslim controlled country, allowing them greater access to trade with other countries. What we and the rest of the world receive in exchange for this is yet to be seen.

To be honest with you, I'd say there's not much hope of Iran capitulating on their nuclear program in any meaningful way. Iran has been on the forefront of supporting terrorism for years and is a very vocal opponent of the United States of America. While Obama has been praising Iran for their "cooperation" in the negotiations, Iran's spiritual leader has been on national television, shouting "Death to America."

Few in <u>Congress trust Obama on this deal</u>, as historically he has been supporting Islam, even to the harm of the United States. It is likely that the pending deal follows that pattern, giving Iran what they want, while putting America and our allies at greater risk.

And the Majority Said NO

{adinserter emp}Forty-seven Senators sent a letter to Iran, without the President's approval, warning that they would not accept any deal with Iran that allowed them to continue with their nuclear program.

The intent was obviously to derail the nuclear talks and any deal that Obama was offering them. Since the Senate has to approve of any treaty, 47 of them standing against a possible treaty is something that a thinking person has to take notice of.



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What was Obama's response to that? According to him, those 47 Senators are nothing more than traitors. Apparently he's trying to redefine the word traitor to refer to anyone who opposes him, rather than those who go against the interests of the United States, as he has done.

Well, the stakes in this game have just gone up another notch. 367 members of the House of Representatives have signed an open letter to Obama. In it, they remind the President that it is they that have the power to lift sanctions and that they don't have to do so, even if Obama negotiates a deal which says that those sanctions will be lifted.

Congress is concerned about <u>Iran building a nuclear bomb</u>, and with good reason. Their letter states that as their reason for opposing the president on this and they clearly state that they must be convinced that the deal preclude any pathway to Iran creating a bomb, or they will not lift the sanctions.

What Is Left to Come?

One critical thing about this is the number 367. That's 84 percent of the House, much more than they need to override any presidential veto. Clearly, a number of the Democrats in the House have abandoned Obama on the Iran issue and sided with the Republicans, as there are only 247 Republicans in the House.

With such a strong majority, the President doesn't have any legal recourse left.

But... and I again say but... what makes any of us think that the president is going to follow the law on this? He has blatantly ignored the Constitution on every turn, doing things as he wishes. There is a very good chance he will do so on this issue as well.

As I see it, there are only three possibilities:

- 1. The President and Secretary of State actually broker a deal which blocks Iran from developing nuclear weapons. That would allow Congress to agree to it, ratify the agreement and lift the sanctions. However, that requires that Iran give up their nuclear program, something I doubt they are willing to do.
- 2. A deal is brokered that Congress cannot accept, but by political maneuvering and manipulations, the President manages to get them to sign off on it. We've seen this time and time again, where Obama has said "my way or the highway" and Congress has capitulated. Usually they capitulate because of a combination of public pressure caused by misreporting the facts and Obama making something else contingent on his will being passed. That's what happened with his executive amnesty. He is much better at these sorts of manipulations than Congress is, having been trained in the capital of such politics, Chicago.
- 3. A deal is brokered and is not acceptable to Congress and they refuse to go along with it. That would mean that the Senate doesn't ratify the agreement and the House doesn't lift the trade sanctions. The President is then faced with deciding whether he will go along with Congress' decision, or play King Obama the dictator again. Based on that decision, we have two options:
 - If Obama capitulates to what Congress says, then he will have to go back to Iran and broker a new deal. That would be the first time that he ever capitulated to Congress.
 - If Obama disagrees with Congress and goes along and implements the deal, without the

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approval of Congress, he would be taking the next step along the road to becoming a dictator. He would have once again proven that Congress has no power, especially over his actions.

This puts the nation in <u>a very precarious situation</u>. Our Constitution, our liberty and our very country are sitting in balance. Congress has finally faced off against the President, taking a stand on an issue and telling him that there are limits to his authority.

The question is... how will it end?



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