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Clinton threatens to nuke Iran

IranTimes: In a sign that the Democratic primary season has gone on too long, Senator Hillary Clinton last month said she would nuke Iran if it attacked Israel, but no one seemed to notice or care. In what is likely to be the last Democratic candidate debate, the last two contenders standing were asked about Iran and seemed to try to outdo one another in unleashing their toughness. There was much heat, but not necessarily much light. Both Clinton and Sen. Barack Obama said Iran must not be allowed to get a nuclear weapon and advocated using diplomacy to stop it—but did not say what they would do if diplomacy failed. “We cannot permit Iran to become a nuclear weapons power,” Clinton said. Obama said Iran must know “that I will take no options off the table when it comes to preventing them from using nuclear weapons or obtaining nuclear weapons.” The “options” phrase is a favorite of President Bush. Many critics assert that it is sign language for a secret plan to attack Iran. But Obama has been using the phrase for months and no one has made the same interpretation of what is really an empty phrase (since all options would by definition include abject surrender). Then Israel was thrown into the mix. Obama said, “An [Iranian] attack on Israel is an attack on our strongest ally in the region, one whose security we consider paramount. That would be an act of aggression that I would consider unacceptable, and the United States would take appropriate action.” Clinton then tried to outdo Obama. She said her administration would “let the Iranians know that, yes, an attack on Israel would trigger massive retaliation.” But “massive retaliation” is a Cold War term that



means total nuclear obliteration. It was an astounding threat. But no one in the theater picked up on that comment by Clinton. Nor did the media, which is constantly trolling for verbal gaffs by the candidates, pick up on it the next day. Clinton continued the tough talk this week when she was asked on ABC’s “Good Morning America” how she would react if Iran attacked Israel with nuclear weapons. “I want the Iranians to know that if I’m the president,” she said, “we will attack Iran. In the next 10 years, during which they might foolishly consider launching an attack on Israel, we would be able to totally obliterate them.” Clinton was not asked and did not say what she thought were the chances of an Iranian attack on Israel. Most experienced analysts believe the Islamic Republic has no plans or thoughts of doing so, understanding what the consequences would be.

General Reza Zarei is in jail

The Judiciary has finally confirmed the arrest of Tehran’s police chief, who was reportedly found in a brothel with six naked women last month. At the time, officials only announced that General Reza Zarei had been replaced as Tehran police chief, without saying why. The order to raid the brothel was reportedly given directly by Iran’s Judiciary Chairman Mahmud Hashemi-Shahrudi. However, Ali-Reza Jamshidi, the spokesman for the Judiciary, said the chief has been arrested and jailed while his case is being investigated. But Jamshidi declined

to say what were the charges against the chief. Discovery of Zarei and his rendezvous with prostitutes reportedly took place in March, just before news broke that New York Governor Eliot Spitzer had engaged in similar activities. Late night talk show host Jay Leno had his fun with Tehran’s police chief, saying, “Some news from Iran: The chief of police in Tehran, who is in charge of fighting vice and bad morals, was found naked with six hookers. His name, Ahmed Spitzer.”

Iran most powerful in world

IranTimes: Speaking on armed forces day, President Ahmadinejad last month proclaimed the Islamic Republic to be the most powerful nation on the face of the earth. Standing between benedicated Army, Navy and Air Force officers, Ahmadi-nejad said: “Today the Iranian nation is the dearest and most powerful nation in the world. The Iranian nation’s power is at the service of peace, stability, brotherhood, justice and progress.” He repeated that claim twice more. “The Iranian nation is the most powerful nation on earth,” he said. As if to underscore that he was referring to military might, he also said, “I would like to proudly announce that today the Iranian nation is so powerful that none of the current world powers are capable of or have the courage to threaten the Iranian nation and its interests and security.” The president called the Iranian military the “most triumphant army in the world.” During the parade, Army Gen. Ataollah Salehi, the chief of the Joint Staff of the armed forces, spoke to reporters in the same vein. “We are at the peak of our power and might,” Salehi said. “The Islamic Republic’s military is now a superior force.” He dismissed



the possibility of an American attack on Iran. “The American forces have low morale,” he said. “They are scared of us in the Persian Gulf and the Sea of Oman. Their confidence is much lower than in the Iranian forces.” He also dismissed talk that a recent Israeli military exercise held inside Israel might be preparation for an attack on Iran. “That maneuver had no value and they even failed to achieve their objectives. After holding that maneuver, the Israelis are even more scared,” Salehi said.

Irani charged in visa fraud

Brought in fake students; some were prostitutes

IranTimes: An Iranian-American in California has been arrested and charged with seven counts of fraud for running English language centers that offered to report false attendance records so foreign nationals could enter and remain in the United States as “students.” The Los Angeles Times reported Behzad “Ben” Zaman, 50, of Beverly Hills, a naturalized U.S. citizen, was arrested by federal agents and charged with seven counts of fraud and misuse of visas. U.S. Attorney Thomas P. O’Brien said, “This flagrant violation of our immigration laws shows how greed can compromise our national security. We welcome legitimate students who want to take advantage of educational opportunities in America. We do not welcome so-called students who have no intentions of studying and who simply want to exploit an unscrupulous business owner more interested in lining his pockets than following the law.” Zaman runs the Concord English Language Center and the International

College for English Studies in Los Angeles. He is accused of helping foreign nationals fraudulently obtain student visas and reporting their enrollment in his schools even though many did not attend classes. F-1 visas allow foreigners to remain in the country as long as they are attending classes full time at a federally approved school; both of Zaman’s schools had received federal approval. But investigators believe that as early as 1999, Zaman was charging foreign nationals several thousands of dollars each to obtain student visas; the indictment says Zaman received more than \$320,000 from these illicit activities. Zaman allegedly told the “students” that, although they did not have to attend his schools, they would be reported to deferral authorities if they stopped paying tuition. Virginia Kice, a spokeswoman for U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), reported the En-

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Mark 10

17: As Jesus started on his way, a man ran up to him and fell on his knees before him. “Good teacher,” he asked, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?”

18: “Why do you call me good?” Jesus answered. “No one is good—except GOD ALONE.

Deuteronomy 6:4-5

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