# Leader: America could not stop Iranians from track of honor - 29 /Oct/ 2008

Islamic Revolution Leader Ayatollah Sayyed Ali Khamenei urged a large audience of school and university students to take their responsibility regarding the future of the country, adding that America would fail to stop the Iranian nation from the track of honor.

The meeting was staged to mark Aban 13 (Nov 3), the Persian calendar's Day of Student which is also named National Day of Combat against Arrogance after the 1979 capture by students of the then US Embassy in Tehran which had otherwise turned into a den of espionage against the Iranian nation's interests.

Ayatollah Khamenei noted that the young Iranian generation was more responsible regarding the future of the country, adding that the victory of the Islamic Revolution and the national accomplishments during the eight-year Sacred Defense (1980-88) was tribute to the youths.

Ayatollah Khamenei viewed the 1979 capture as a responsible move by a group of high-stand youths.

The IR Leader said that the country was still in need of responsible youths. "The youths as the future authorities of the country must prepare themselves by boosting their faith, insight and scientific ability."

Ayatollah Khamenei then enquired why the Islamic Republic of Iran and the United States were in dispute with each other, adding that to find any answer one was required to profoundly examine the issue taking into account the fact that the the two's disagreement goes beyond a few political issues.

"Once the Islamic Republic got triumphed in Iran, America lost its primary base at the heart of the oil-rich Middle East. Iran afterwards turned into the central base of combat against US arrogance," Ayatollah Khamenei argued, adding that America lost its last stronghold inside Iran after its embassy was captured.

"After the Americans were pushed from Iran, they followed their arrogant policies and embarked on espionage against the Islamic system through their embassy in Tehran. However they saw their project in tatters after the students carried out their great move," the IR Leader continued.

Ayatollah Khamenei recommended the youths to study the collections of documents seized from the former embassy to realize what a role it played before and after the Islamic Revolution.

"The move of the students in capturing the embassy was great and 'a revolution larger than the Islamic Revolution' as Imam Khomeini called it because it helped shatter the superficially formidable image of America in Iran and the rest of the world," Ayatollah Khamenei said.

"Americans seek to discourage the Iranian nation in their pursuit of independence and dignity. They wish to see the nation a dependent one once again, shying away from its Islamic Revolution and surrendering to the country. Hence an assortment of US pressures against the nation," Ayatollah Khamenei said.

Ayatollah Khamenei said the Iranian nation felt deep hate towards America for it hatching different plots against the nation over the past fifty years. "Americans have yet to apologize. Still they look adamant on their arrogance," the IR Leader added.

Ayatollah Khamenei cautioned the country that the Iranians while never being men of aggression would cut off hand of any one who dares tread their identity or independence.

Ayatollah Khamenei then enquired where the IRI-US confrontation would lead, replying that the US arrogant regime would eventually face cul-de-sac contrary to the western media's propaganda speculations of an otherwise destiny.

"If America was ever to defeat the Iranian nation, it would have fulfilled the job at time when the nation was much weaker in terms of experiences, knowledge, military strength, and popularity among other nations. It nevertheless failed to do the job and is certain to lose now either with the Iranian nation standing mightier and more sovereign than past," Ayatollah Khamenei said.

"The American government at present has lost its reputation even among Western nations and its own nation. All its slogans about human rights and democracy have proved disgraceful," the IR Leader said.

"The American human rights were displayed in Abu Ghraib, Guantanamo, and other prisons as well as its massacres in Afghanistan and Pakistan. The American democracy has surfaced in its confrontation against the popular Hamas government in Palestine, its pressures against the popular Iraqi government to sign a security agreement as well as its bringing of baseless allegations against the Islamic Republic of Iran whose authorities are entirely chosen by public vote."

"Today, the image of the American government is so tarnished that people march to call on its president to leave wherever he steps on a visit," Ayatollah Khamenei said.

Ayatollah Khamenei noted that the secret to the Iranian nation's accomplishments lied in their perseverance, adding that the nation was on the rocks everywhere the required perseverance had failed to be accomplished.

Ayatollah Khamenei assured however that the Iranian nation would climb over the difficult mountain passes and would conquer the peaks.