

Iran: Status of the P5+1

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A good deal with Iran is one that clearly advances U.S. interests -- not only the interest in nuclear nonproliferation globally, but in the stability of the Middle East and U.S. prestige and influence in the region.

The following is an excerpt from Mr. Singh's prepared remarks; download the PDF to read the full testimony, or [watch video of the hearing \(http://www.foreign.senate.gov/hearings/iran-status-of-the-p-51-07-29-14\)](http://www.foreign.senate.gov/hearings/iran-status-of-the-p-51-07-29-14).

U.S. negotiators appear to be on the cusp of a historic deal with the Iranian regime. Whether that deal is a historic accomplishment or a historic error, however, depends on whether it durably ensures that Iran is prevented from acquiring nuclear weapons and advances our interests in the region broadly, or whether it leaves the region less stable, our allies less confident in our resolve, and Iran with sufficient residual nuclear capacity to develop nuclear weapons in the near future... ❖

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