



# IRANIUM

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# IRANIUM ABOUT THE FILM

Iran's nuclear program is not an isolated problem. Rather, it is the most dangerous component of a brutal ideology established by Iran's leaders during the Islamic revolution of 1979.

Since the inception of the Revolution, Iran has committed to spreading the radical Islamic ideology with all available resources, and displayed an absolute hatred for the West. This extremist worldview is ingrained in the State's constitution and apparatuses, and has been supported by the actions of the regime's leaders.

HIJACKED BY A REGIME THAT  
*does not represent*  
THE NATIONAL ASPIRATIONS

Our 60-minute film explores the principles of the regime, and visually demonstrates the hatred and violence exhibited by Iran's brutal leadership. The film documents the regime's abusive treatment of their once proud citizenry, and chronicles the regime's use of terror proxies abroad to inflict deadly messages on their self-described enemies for over 30 years.

Now 30 years after the start of the revolution, Iran is on the cusp of crossing the nuclear threshold. By many estimates, Iran is less than a year away from producing a nuclear weapon - if not sooner. Iran has consistently tried to disguise the intention and progress of its nuclear program, playing a careful game of aggressive gamesmanship and deceptive diplomacy.

The development of a nuclear program has only added to the already immense danger posed by this regime. The numerous threat scenarios posed by a nuclear Iran are beyond frightening.

All the while Western powers - and in particular the United States - have dangerously misread the intentions of the Iranian regime. It is for this reason that diplomatic negotiations with Iran have failed since 1979.

The Iranian people, hijacked by a regime that does not represent the national aspirations of its citizenry, are now trying to stimulate a new revolution to force Iran's leaders from the seats of dictatorship.

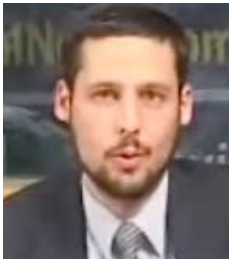
*Iranium* presents the policy options currently being utilized and considered to deal with the situation in Iran. After viewing the film, the general public will be able to understand the critical nature of the threats and encourage a movement aimed at convincing policy makers to prevent the further advancement of the Iranian regime and its nuclear arsenal.

# IRANIUM ABOUT THE CREW



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Micah Smith is an award winning filmmaker producing short films, educational films, documentaries, and promotional videos. His films have screened in over 40 film festivals on 5 continents. Smith graduated from the Kanbar Institute of Film and Television at New York University's Tisch School of Arts.

## ABOUT THE NARRATOR



SHOHREH AGHDASHLOO Emmy Award-winner, Shohreh Aghdashloo, is the first Iranian actress to be nominated for an Academy Award, for her role in *House of Sand and Fog*. Aghdashloo, who recently starred in the film *The Stoning of Soraya M*, was born in Tehran, where at age 20, she achieved national stardom. During the 1978 Islamic revolution, Aghdashloo left Iran for England, and has since moved to Los Angeles, where she continues her successful acting career.

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FRANCES TOWNSEND - Former Homeland Security Advisor, White House

R. JAMES WOOLSEY - Former Director of Central Intelligence

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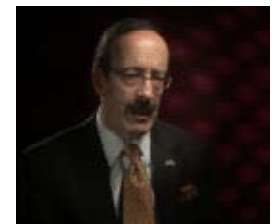
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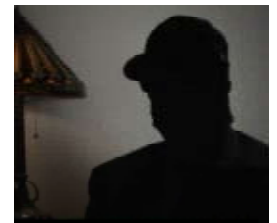
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# IRANIUM VIEWING GUIDE

## IRAN IN THE WORLD

Today, Iran is the World's 18<sup>th</sup> largest country in terms of territory, with a population of over 74 million. Iran is bordered on the east by Afghanistan and Pakistan, on the west by Iraq, and on the northwest by Turkey. Russia is also a close neighbor of Iran. Tehran is Iran's capital city.

## THE ISLAMIC REVOLUTION OF 1979

Prior to 1979, Iran was ruled by Shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi, an ally of America and the West, who was rapidly modernizing Iranian society. Yet, the Iranian public grew tired of his particular form of dictatorship, and created a popular revolution to force the Shah from Iran.

Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini emerged as the leader of the revolution. He reneged on all promises of political freedom, to become a theocratic dictator. His vision was for an international Islamic revolution that happened to begin in Iran, and adhering to the principles of Shariah law.

The concepts and constitution established by Khomeini continue to guide Iran's leaders to this day, much to the disdain of the Iranian public and the international community.

## IRAN – SUPPORTER OF TERROR

The Iranian regime is the single largest state sponsor of terror in the world. All too many of the world's major terrorist attacks throughout the past 30 years can be linked to Iran. Guardians of Iran's Islamic Revolution have utilized terror as a prime way of clarifying their intentions and realizing their goals of exporting an ideology. Terrorist organizations supported by Iran include Hezbollah, Hamas, al Qaeda and the Taliban, as well as the Iranian-based Quds force which has been operating against American forces in Iraq.

## VIOLENCE IN IRAN

The brutality of the Iranian regime can be felt on the streets. The Iranian Revolutionary Guards Corps has proven its readiness to defend the revolution within Iran, by arresting and beating thousands of internal challengers of religion and government policy during the 30 plus years since the revolution. Those who speak publicly about the ideas of freedom and democracy have been subject to violent treatment. Many of those include students, who have organized public demonstrations.

Those arrested by IRGC internal police are tried and sentenced by judges who are loyal to the Islamic principles of the revolution, and have little care for the basic human rights of citizens. Those in jail are frequently tortured, and even raped; both men and women alike. Moreover, executions are common in Iran, which executes more citizens each year than any other nation in the world— second only to China, a nation with 20 times the population.

## WOMEN IN IRAN

Women have virtually no rights in Iran and are treated as lower than second class citizens. Women are completely beholden to their husbands' wishes, who can marry at will, and who have full custody of their children. Additionally, women accused of adultery may be subjected to death by stoning with little burden of proof on their accusers.

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## MINORITY RELIGIONS IN IRAN

Non-Muslims in Iran are highly persecuted second class citizens, and conversion from Islam to another religion is prohibited and may be punishable by death. Members of the Baha'i Faith, Iran's largest religious minority, have been subject to arrest, cruelty and murder. According to the Iranian Constitution, Christians, Jews and Zoroastrians are recognized as 'People of the Book' and are granted the right to practice their religion in Iran. However, these rights are restricted, and do not protect their followers from persecution.

Even traditional Shiites have been estranged by the regime. Many of the most popular religious leaders within Iran believe that the current regime is perverting their religion. Such mullahs believe in the traditional Shiite view of separation between religious affairs and affairs of state. And they have been punished for their views. Many mullahs have been thrown in jail, or put under house arrest.

IRAN MAY QUITE POSSIBLY  
*never need* ANOTHER  
SOURCE OF ENERGY

## OIL FINANCES RADICAL GOALS

The world's unceasing oil addiction translates into money that fuels Iran's radical aspirations, as Iran is one of the world's largest exporters of crude oil and natural gas. These exports represent the Iranian government's primary source of income. However, these tremendous revenues do little to benefit of the Iranian people; the regime's goal is to advance the causes of its revolution, and the not the interests of its people.

## PEACEFUL NUCLEAR PROGRAM?

For years, Iran has claimed that its nuclear program is peaceful, and meant to provide Iran with an alternative energy source. However, Iran is one of a few countries in the world that may quite possibly never need another source of energy. Iran sits on enough oil and natural gas to power itself for decades to come, if not longer. Iran's decision to invest in a nuclear program rather than to exploit readily available resources, has led many to assume that its intentions for a nuclear program are more menacing.

In recent years we have come to learn a great deal about Iran's nuclear program, yet there is much we do not know. To date, the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) is the primary source for information about the extent of Iran's nuclear program; and the results they report are not encouraging. Iran has made considerable progress through the years to enable production of nuclear weapons, all the while flat-out denying that such a program exists.

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Ahmadinejad and others claim that Iran's program is peaceful, and that the revolutionary regime has no need for nuclear weapons. However, announcements that seemingly conflict with these claims are made by Ahmadinejad and others each time a new production mark is reached.

AN E.M.P. ATTACK COULD  
*set America*  
*back* DECADES

Today, many believe that Iran may cross the nuclear threshold in a year or less, if the threshold hasn't been crossed already. It is difficult to know precisely when Iran will possess a stockpile of deliverable nuclear weapons.

## ALREADY FRAGILE BALANCE OF POWER

The addition of a nuclear component can upset the already fragile balance of power in the Middle East, a region known for instability, terrorism and the production of immense amounts of oil. The thought of a nuclear Iran provokes great concern amongst other nations that seek to wield influence in the region. Furthermore, Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Turkey, Libya, Algeria and others have already begun researching the possibility of developing or obtaining their own nuclear weapons to offset a nuclear Iran. The result: a nuclear arms race in a region predisposed to religious conflict.

## POTENTIAL DAMAGE

The first thing that often comes to mind when visualizing a nuclear attack is the explosion of a nuclear warhead attached to a ballistic missile in the heart of America's cities. Such an attack could cause unthinkable damage, radiation and loss of life.

A second frightening possibility involves a nuclear explosion in the atmosphere above the United States. An EMP (electro-magnetic pulse) is an explosion that instantly renders electronic devices within a large radius out of commission. An EMP scenario in the U.S. could mean that all computers, portable electronics, automobiles, medical equipment, as well as fuel and water delivery systems essentially burn-out and cease to function.

According to a Blue Ribbon report commissioned by the U.S. Congress, the implications of such an event and the resulting damage could be "catastrophic". An EMP attack could set America back decades in terms of technological development, in addition to the significant loss of life as water, food, medicine, and other supplies have no way of reaching those who need them.

## AN APOCALYPTIC MINDSET

Many top members of the Revolutionary Guards belong to a minority sect within Shiite Islam known as Hojatiyeh. Like all Shiites, they believe that there is a Hidden Twelfth Imam, a descendent of Mohammed, who will emerge as Mahdi, the Messianic Savior. Most Shiites believe that Mahdi will come when he comes, and until that time there should be a separation

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between Church and State. The Hojatiyeh strain however, believes that clerics have a religious duty to dominate all state affairs even before the Mahdi's arrival.

Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad is widely considered to be a student of Hojatiyeh philosophy and he has been quoted saying he intends to hand his presidency over to the Mahdi.

According to religious scripture, up to two thirds of the world's population will die when the Mahdi arrives: One-third by plague; and one-third by the sword. Many scholars affirm that Hojatiyeh believe that they can bring the return of the Mahdi, by creating those conditions. The combination of such a philosophy with a nuclear arsenal creates a bleak doomsday scenario.

IRANIAN REVOLUTIONARY  
REGIME VIEWS  
*martyrdom*  
AS A VIRTUE

Since the founding of the revolution, Iranian leaders have been promoting martyrdom as an exalted end for Iranian citizens. This could not have been more evident than during the bloody Iran-Iraq War in the 1980's. Scores of young boys were sent into minefields wearing plastic "keys to heaven" in order to clear the path for Iran's army.

## MUTUALLY ASSURED DESTRUCTION IRRELEVANT

Throughout the Cold War, the United States and the Soviet Union were involved in a decades-long nuclear standoff. While the Soviets had the ability and possibly the desire to inflict irreparable damage to America, there was a strong deterrent: the principle of Mutually Assured Destruction. This principle presumes that if the Soviets detonated a nuclear weapon on the U.S. mainland, then America would counterattack with nuclear weapons, and vice-versa. There could be no winners of such a war.

However, with an Iranian Revolutionary regime that views martyrdom as a virtue, we cannot assume that principles of Mutually Assured Destruction will apply.

## LACK OF ACTION

Every president from Jimmy Carter through Barak Obama has accomplished little in their attempts to reach crucial dialogue with Iran. For years, U.S. administrations have mislabeled some of Iran's harshest politicians as moderates, and have been deceived by the intentions of the regime.

In the early part of President Obama's term, he expressed motivation to reestablish diplomatic ties with Iran, in an attempt to negotiate the continued development of Iran's nuclear program, but with nothing to show for it.

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Many governments and big businesses across the world are more than happy to continue doing business with a country that can spend oil revenues at will, and deliver subsidized energy resources. However, they are providing Iran with the goods, services and financing needed to advance their revolutionary goals.

## STOPPING THE REGIME

For years, negotiations with Iran have accomplished little, and have given Iran more time to acquire a weapons arsenal. Similarly, sanctions have been in place since the Carter administration, and were strengthened during the presidencies of Clinton and Obama, yet sanctions legislation has not been crippling. Sanctions that cutoff all resources outside of food and medicine could have a profound impact in forcing the regime in Tehran to its knees.

If sanctions are not effective, a military option may also be considered. And while there are significant risks involved in such unpleasant actions, Americans will ultimately decide whether the risks of failed action or retaliation outweigh the risks of allowing Iran to possess nuclear weapons.

YET ANOTHER  
*revolutionary wave*  
MAY BE FORMING

## CRACKS IN THE FOUNDATION

While the Iranian regime has been able to achieve many of its totalitarian and radical goals both inside Iran and around the world, the election protests of June 2009 demonstrated that there are noticeable cracks in the foundation of the Islamic revolution.

Those previously supportive of the regime have come to realize that the current government does not represent them, and will do anything from beating its own people to building an illegal nuclear arsenal, to ensure that it continues to remain in power.

Many experts suggest that the reign of the Khamenei, Ahmadinejad and the Revolutionary Guards may soon find itself out of power. The same way that a revolution swept Iran in 1979 to fight the aggressive policies of the Shah, yet another revolutionary wave may be forming to fight the oppressive Islamic regime currently in power.

## WHAT CAN AMERICANS DO?

Americans must gain a better understanding of the threat and work to educate others. Viewers are encouraged to organize screenings of the film in their local communities, and to visit [www.iraniumthemovie.com](http://www.iraniumthemovie.com) for an array of action items.

Viewers are encouraged to support dissident movements, and push for stronger action from policymakers and legislators.

The American public now has a choice: to stand by as Iran continues along its brutal path, or to stand up and assist the Iranian people in creating a new revolution.

# IRANIUM FURTHER READING

## ACCOMPLICE TO EVIL: IRAN AND THE WAR AGAINST THE WEST

- **By Dr. Michael Ledeen**

From *Accomplice to Evil*: “The world is simmering in the familiar rhetoric and actions of movements and regimes—from Hezbollah and al Qaeda to the Iranian Khomeinists and the Saudi Wahhabis—who swear to destroy us and others like us, and we are repeating the errors of the recent past. Like their 20th-century predecessors, they openly proclaim their intentions, and carry them out whenever and wherever they can. Like our 20th-century predecessors, we rarely take them seriously or act accordingly.”

Recognizing the existence and acts of these evil regimes means accepting that we are at war, and then outlining and carrying out a strategy to win. *Accomplice to Evil* takes an inclusive look at the mistakes we have made in the past when coping with a strengthening enemy, at why we have refused to recognize the consequences of this rising evil, and at how we can overcome the forces that terrorize us today.

## COUNTDOWN TO CRISIS: THE COMING NUCLEAR SHOWDOWN WITH IRAN

- **By Kenneth Timmerman**

“The most urgent and disastrous threat to world peace today is the looming danger that Iran will produce nuclear weapons. . . . Kenneth R. Timmerman, a U.S. expert on Iran, has for more than twenty years exposed Iran’s nuclear activities and intentions. . . . Despite the illusions of many in positions of power, he has been right, again and again. His latest book, *Countdown to Crisis: The Coming Nuclear Showdown with Iran*, lays out this ongoing scandal in chilling detail” (From the nomination for the Nobel Peace Prize 2006).

New York Times bestselling author Kenneth R. Timmerman uses his exclusive access to formerly classified documents, Iranian dissidents and officials, and high-level intelligence sources to expose the truth of the Iranian threat and America’s failure to address the risk. For Americans seeking the truth about Iran, *Countdown to Crisis* may amount to a call for action or even a case for war.

## KNOW THINE ENEMY: A SPY’S JOURNEY INTO REVOLUTIONARY IRAN

- **By Reuel Marc Gerecht**

Changes in US-Iranian affairs since the ousting of the pro-Western monarchy in 1979 have made it increasingly trying for the two former allies to preserve effective interactions. As a result, official American views of Iran are greatly influenced by misunderstandings about the political and social forces working in Iran today. This enthralling book by a former member of the CIA’s covert service is part travelog, and part study of the dynamics of contemporary Iranian society. The reader is given a different depiction of Iranians than the imprecise pictures regularly found in the mass media.

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## THE RISE OF NUCLEAR IRAN: HOW TEHERAN DEFIES THE WEST - **By Dore Gold**

Diplomatic negotiations with Iran have never worked. Iran has engaged in its nuclear aspirations at first secretly and later in defiance of the United Nations and Western protests; and it will not be stopped by Western diplomats attempting to make peace and offering assurances of aid or warnings of sanctions. In *The Rise of Nuclear Iran*, Dore Gold discusses why a nuclear Iran could lead to a “terrorist bomb”, why the Arab world, as much as Israel, fears a nuclear Iran, and how Iran takes advantage of Western diplomacy. Gold’s book challenges us with the most critical foreign policy question of our time: will Iran be permitted to become a nuclear power, and at what cost? <http://www.riseofnucleariran.com/iran-book.html>

## THE PERSIAN NIGHT: IRAN UNDER THE KHOMEINIST REVOLUTION - **By Amir Teheri**

*The Persian Night* examines one of the most guarded regimes in the contemporary world, traces the historical, religious, cultural, and political roots of the Khomeinist revolution, and evaluates the way it has become a pseudo-religious ideology over the past thirty years. Journalist Taheri scrutinizes a regime that has hijacked a nation of seventy million people and assembles its assets for “holy war” against the United States and its allies. Taheri looks into: the connections between the Islamic Republic and terrorist networks; the reality of the Iranian nuclear program; the country’s war-making abilities and tactics; and the origins of the three Khomeinist phobias - women, Jews, and the United States. He also offers creative propositions for more efficient ways of handling Iran.

## A TIME TO BETRAY: THE ASTONISHING DOUBLE LIFE OF A CIA AGENT INSIDE THE REVOLUTIONARY GUARDS OF IRAN - **By Reza Khalili**

A true story, *A Time to Betray* reveals what no previous CIA operative’s memoir could: the internal workings of the infamous Revolutionary Guards of Iran, as observed by an Iranian man inside their ranks who spied for the American government. It is a story of family and friendships torn apart by a terrorist regime, and how the adult choices of three childhood friends in the Islamic Republic generated troublesome and disastrous fates. This book is the overwhelmingly brave story of one man’s decades-long dedication to live a double life spying on the much-loved country of his birth, a place that once offered the assurance of liberty, but was instead controlled by violence and oppression. <http://atimetobetray.com/>

## FDD REPORT ON IRAN’S ENERGY PARTNERS - **By Mark Dubowitz and Laura Grossman**

The report underscores the considerable business ties that 19 companies maintain within Iran’s energy sector, which is mainly controlled by the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps, designated by the US Treasury for its support of Iran’s nuclear program and terrorism. The report also emphasizes the US business ties of these companies, including federal government contracts, and whether they are listed by the oversight boards of state pension funds. In many instances, these companies could necessitate further inspection by the Obama Administration in accordance with The Comprehensive Iran Sanctions, Accountability, and Divestment Act of 2010. <http://www.iranenergyproject.org/1673/fdd-report-on-irans-chinese-energy-partners>

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**THE THIRD JIHAD: RADICAL ISLAM'S VISION FOR AMERICA** explores the existence of Radical Islam in America and the emerging risk that this "homegrown Jihad" poses to national security, western liberties and the "American way of life."

In 72 minutes, the film reveals that radical Islamists driven by a religiously motivated rejection of western values cultures and religion are engaging in a multifaceted strategy to overcome the western world. The Third Jihad introduces the concept of "cultural jihad" as a means to infiltrate and undermine our society from within.

The movement's infiltration of American society includes a variety of mediums, such as the recruitment of radical supporters in prisons, mosques and universities; the manipulation of academic institutions; the establishment of secretive communities and training camps; and the exploitation of the media.

Experts on Radical Islam, human rights activists and American security specialists assert that the spread of fundamentalism in America is a societal reality that cannot be ignored.

**Executive Producer, Raphael Shore; Director, Wayne Kopping; 72 minutes**  
**[www.thethirdjihad.com](http://www.thethirdjihad.com)**

**OBSESSION: RADICAL ISLAM'S WAR AGAINST THE WEST** is a critically-acclaimed documentary that details the ongoing activities of radical Islamic extremists.

Using images from Arab TV, rarely seen in the West, Obsession reveals an 'insider's view' of the hatred the Radicals are teaching, their incitement of global jihad, and their goal of world domination. Experts such as Alan Dershowitz, Steve Emerson, a former PLO terrorist, a Nazi youth commander, and the daughter of a martyred guerilla leader, show that the threats are real.

Almost 70 years ago, Europe found itself at war with one of the most sinister figures in modern history: Adolf Hitler. When the last bullet of World War II was fired, over 50 million people were dead, and countless countries were both physically and economically devastated.

Today, radical Islamists are engaged in a violent struggle to transform our world. As we sleep in the comfort of our homes, this new menace is threatening, with all the means at its disposal, to bow Western Civilization under the yoke of its values.

**Executive Producer, Peter Mier; Producer, Raphael Shore; Director, Wayne Kopping; 77 minutes**  
**[www.obsessionthemovie.com](http://www.obsessionthemovie.com)**



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# IRANIUM ABOUT CLARION

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Clarion is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that aims to educate Americans about issues of national security, focusing primarily on the threat of radical Islam. To that end, Clarion produces and distributes

documentary films and facilitates online education and outreach to help Americans better understand the dangers.

Clarion also developed the website **[www.RadicalIslam.org](http://www.RadicalIslam.org)**, to continually spread awareness about the threat of Islamic fundamentalism in the United States and to provide practical response tools. RadicalIslam.org sends out a bi-weekly newsletter to over 40,000 subscribers.

RadicalIslam.org also has a live-blogging presence on Twitter: **No2RadicalIslam**.

**What is the Clarion Fund? Who is behind the organization?**

Clarion is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that aims to educate Americans – through the production of feature-length documentary films and other interactive media – about issues of national security.

Clarion receives funding from numerous private sponsors. No single individual or organization provides a substantial percentage of the organization's backing.

**Where is Clarion's base of operations?**

Clarion's base of operations is located at 255 W. 36<sup>th</sup> Street, New York, NY 10018.

**Who produced Iranium?**

*Iranium* is the third documentary film produced and distributed by the Clarion Fund. The film is produced by Raphael Shore and directed by Alex Traiman.

**Who produced The Third Jihad and Obsession?**

*The Third Jihad & Obsession: Radical Islam's War Against the West* were produced and distributed by the Clarion Fund. Both films were produced by Raphael Shore and directed by Wayne Kopping.

**Does Clarion have a political agenda?**

No. Clarion is an apolitical organization that has been both supported and criticized by individuals and organizations across the political spectrum.

**Is Clarion anti-Islam/Muslims?**

No. Clarion is a multi-cultural organization which promotes the opinions of Muslims, Christians, and Jews, to an equally diverse group of members and supporters. Clarion seeks to create a platform for the American public to embrace Western liberties and speak out in a meaningful and measurable way to silence the radical elements within their respective communities.

**Why does Clarion feel that this story needs to be told? Why did it produce this film?**

*Iranium* precisely identifies the threat posed by Iran to its own citizenry and the international community. The film was produced to educate the American public about the escalating dangers of a nuclear Iran, and to highlight policy options for dealing with one of the greatest threats the world faces early on in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

**What is the purpose of Clarion's website, RadicallyIslam.org?**

RadicallyIslam.org is the online presence of Clarion's grassroots movement. The user-friendly website was developed in response to the groundswell of public reaction to *Obsession*, to spread continued awareness about the threat of radical Islam in America.

**What should viewers take away from this film? What is your message?**

Clarion's top priority is for the American public to develop a better understanding of the threat a nuclear Iran poses to the United States and the international community.

**Why is Iran's nuclear capability more threatening than that of other countries?**

The ideology of Iran's leaders differs from that of Western countries in both principle and in rationality. Since the Iranian Islamic Revolution in 1979, the regime has sponsored and collaborated with international terror organizations (Hezbollah, Hamas, al Qaeda, Taliban, Quds Force) and called for a world without the United States and Israel.

**What has the world and the U.S. been doing about this threat?**

Diplomatic negotiations have thus far failed to gain any concessions to the Iranian government, and sanctions leveled by the United States as well as the United Nations have not stalled the Iranian regime's efforts to acquire nuclear weapons. All the while, Mahmoud Ahmadinejad mocks American leaders in speeches from the floor of the U.N and in multiple appearances on U.S. media.

**What is the proper response to the threat described and depicted in the film?**

It is essentially up to the American public and policy makers to decide the proper response to the threats, which include helping Iranians in their efforts to foster democratic change in Iran.

**Is *Iranium* just propaganda?**

No, the storyline documented in *Iranium* was scrupulously researched. Statements displaying the nature of Iran's leaders are shown in their own words, and backed up with pictures and news reports supporting the claims made in the film. Several Iranians were consulted and interviewed during the making of the film.

As to be expected, there are detractors who do not consider a nuclear Iran to be a credible threat to international security, but we leave that conclusion up to the viewer.