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Iran shuts out nuclear monitors in tactics that recall Cold War

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Iran is keeping its nuclear ambitions more closely guarded than ever after last month's attacks by Israel and the U.S., introducing additional ambiguity to the Islamic Republic's diplomatic showdown with Washington.

After formally cutting off International Atomic Energy Agency inspections last week, Iranian nuclear-safety regulators have stopped taking calls from the United Nations watchdog, according to two officials who asked not to be identified discussing sensitive information. The IAEA's Incident and Emergency Centre was activated June 13 and had been in continuous contact with counterparts in Iran, but that information sharing has tailed off, they said.

The communication blackout underscores the degree to which Iran is using silence as a way to obscure international understanding over the status of its nuclear program. Tehran had previously allowed an average of more than one IAEA inspection a day and took part in five rounds of talks with the U.S. about a deal to curb its atomic activities, but the Israeli assault has changed the equation.

U.S. President Donald Trump has repeatedly said Iran's nuclear facilities have been "obliterated" by 12 days of airstrikes, which — if true — would render the conversation moot. Yet the view of the IAEA is that, while sites at Natanz and Fordow have suffered some damage, uranium-enrichment activity could resume in a "matter of months," Director General Rafael Mariano Grossi told CBS News over the weekend.

The whereabouts of Iran's 409-kilogram (902 pound) inventory of near-bomb-grade uranium is also unknown. Given the fuel can be stored in 16 cylinders each the size of a large scuba-diving tank, there's at least a possibility it's been transported to an undeclared location.

With no near-term resumption of IAEA monitoring in prospect, policymakers on both sides of the conflict are reacquainting themselves with so-called strategic ambiguity — a key element to nuclear brinkmanship during the Cold War. By introducing a level of uncertainty about their intentions, goes the theory developed by Nobel Laureate Thomas Schelling among others, adversaries may be able to prevent a slide into total war.

"It remains to be seen if Iran dashes for a bomb or not, but what is clear is that the U.S. strikes will drive the program further underground," said Dina Esfandiary, who covers the Middle East for Bloomberg Economics. "Iran is learning that strategic ambiguity will be its best option."

Next phase
The situation raises questions about the next phase of the U.S. and Israeli mission to curb Iran's ability to build a nuclear weap-

on, an aim the Islamic Republic has repeatedly denied.

Trump offered an olive branch to Iran on Sunday, suggesting in an interview with Fox News he could offer the country relief from stringent economic sanctions in return for assurances of peace.

That jarred — at least in tone — with comments posted by Trump on Truth Social two days earlier, where he responded furiously to claims of victory by Ayatollah Ali Khamenei and said he had "dropped all work on sanction relief" as a result.

Iran's government, meanwhile, said it remains skeptical its U.S.-brokered ceasefire with Israel will last, adding it would respond to any new attacks. Regarding the prospect of fresh talks with the U.S., a government spokeswoman said Tuesday that "no decision has been made."

To help deter against a renewed assault, Iran could use uncertainty over the whereabouts of its highly enriched uranium to try to dictate events. For the U.S. and Israel to gain knowledge of the state and location of the stockpile, physical inspections and verification will need to be carried out, most likely via negotiated access for the IAEA.

The other option for Israel and the U.S. would be a return to military action — a far from straightforward equation. For Israel, the cost of the 12-day war may have been as high as \$12 billion, Finance Minister Bezalel Smotrich said last week, while domestic damages of about \$3 billion would be the most for any conflict in Israel's history.

In the U.S., direct military involvement has split key elements of the Republican Party and could carry political costs for the Trump administration.

For now, Iran is reinforcing the ambiguity. The country's Guardian Council last week approved a law suspending cooperation with the IAEA, but this is viewed as primarily a symbolic act. It's unclear how much work IAEA monitors could do even if they had access, given the risk of chemical and radiological contamination at bombed nuclear installations.

For Iran to permanently bar IAEA inspectors, it would need to exit the international Non-Proliferation Treaty — which aims to prevent the spread of nuclear weapons — a move that would potentially end monitoring altogether.

While such a move could yield even more diplomatic leverage for Iran, it would also carry new risks, according to Darya Dolzikova, a senior research fellow at the Royal United Services Institute, a London-based think tank.

"Ambiguity is not cost free," she said. "In the absence of verification, Iran will have lost the ability to send credible signals about its nuclear program. It can still formulate a narrative, but one with lower credibility."

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF Montgomery County, KANSAS
CIVIL DEPARTMENT
PennyMac Loan Services, LLC
Plaintiff,
vs.
Richard E. Freel, Sr., et al.
Defendants,
Case No.MGC-2025-CV-000016

Court No.
Title to Real Estate Involved Pursuant to K.S.A. §60
NOTICE OF SALE
Under and by virtue of an Order of Sale issued to me by the Clerk of the District Court of Montgomery County, Kansas, the undersigned Sheriff of Montgomery County, Kansas, will offer for sale at public auction and sell to the highest bidder for cash in hand on July 24, 2025 at the time of 2:00 PM at the lobby of the Montgomery County Judicial Center, Independence, Kansas, the following real estate:

ALL OF THE FOLLOWING REAL PROPERTY SITUATE IN THE COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY, STATE OF KANSAS, TO-WIT: LOT FOUR (4), TYLER GARDENS FOURTH ADDITION TO THE CITY OF COFFEYVILLE., Parcel ID No. 063-198-33-0-40-07-007. Commonly known as 411 Tyler Blvd., Coffeyville, KS 67337 ("the Property") MS226124

to satisfy the judgment in the above-entitled case. The sale is to be made without appraisal and subject to the redemption period as provided by law, and further subject to the approval of the Court.
s. Ron Wade
Montgomery County Sheriff
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CIVIL COURT DEPARTMENT
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE RURAL HOUSING SERVICE (RHS), FORMERLY FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRATION
Plaintiff,
vs.
ADELLA E CAPWELL (DECEASED); ET AL.
Defendants.
Case No.: MGI-2025-CV-000008

Division No.
Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 60 Title to Real Estate Involved
NOTICE OF SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that under and by virtue of an Order of Sale issued to me by the Clerk of the District Court of Montgomery County, Kansas, the undersigned Sheriff of Montgomery County, Kansas, will offer for sale at public auction and sell to the highest bidder for cash in hand at 02:00 PM on July 24, 2025, at the Main Door of the Montgomery County Courthouse, Independence, Kansas of the Montgomery County Courthouse for the following real estate located in the County of Montgomery, State of Kansas, to wit:

THE NORTH 12 FEET OF LOT 5, AND THE SOUTH 30 FEET OF LOT 4, BLOCK 61, ORIGINAL TO THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KANSAS. ("Property")
Commonly known as: 213 South 12th Street, Independence, KS 67301

to satisfy the judgment in the above-entitled case. The sale is to be made without appraisal and subject to the redemption period as provided by law, and further subject to the approval of the Court.
Ron Wade
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RESOLUTION NO. 2025-030
A RESOLUTION FINDING THAT THE STRUCTURE, OR STRUCTURES, LOCATED ON THE FOLLOWING TRACT/PARCEL IN THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KANSAS, IS UNSAFE AND DANGEROUS AND ORDERED CONDEMNED AND DIRECTING SAID STRUCTURE, OR STRUCTURES, TO BE REPAIRED OR REMOVED AND THE PREMISES MADE SAFE AND SECURE. SAID REPAIR OR REMOVAL WILL COMMENCE WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE PUBLICATION OF THIS RESOLUTION.

Legal Description
Lot 11, McLaughlins Addition to the City of Independence, Montgomery County, Kansas.
Common Address
1204 W Myrtle St.

Mortgage
WHEREAS, the Building Inspector of the City of Independence, Kansas, did on the 23rd day of October 2024, file with the Governing body of said City, a statement in writing that the structure, or structures, located on the above described tract/parcel is unsafe and/or dangerous; and

WHEREAS, the Governing body did by Res. #2024—034, dated October 23, 2024, fix a time and place of hearing at which time the owner, his or her agent, any lien holders of record and any occupant of such structure, or structures, could appear and show cause why such structure, or structures, should not be condemned and ordered repaired and/or demolished and further provided for the giving of notice thereof as provided by law; and

WHEREAS, such resolution was published in the official city newspaper on October 31, 2024 and November 7, 2024, a copy of such resolution and notice was mailed to the owner, his or her agent; any lien holders of record and any occupant of the structure, or structures, at his or her last known place of residence, at which hearing the governing body heard all persons and considered all evidence presented by interested parties, including the Building Inspector of the City of Independence, Kansas.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Governing Body of the City of Independence, Kansas:
The said governing body hereby finds that the structure, or structures, located on the following described tract/parcel in the City of Independence, Montgomery County, Kansas:

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Lot 11, McLaughlins Addition to the City of Independence, Montgomery County, Kansas.
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Is unsafe and dangerous and constitutes a blight and therefore should be and is hereby condemned and it is hereby directed that such structure, or structures, be repaired or removed and the premises made safe and secure. The owner of the structure, or structures, is hereby given 30 days from the publication of this resolution within which to commence such repair or removal and the premises made safe and secure. If the owner of such structure, or structures fails to diligently prosecute the same until the work is completed, said governing body will cause the structure, or structures, to be razed and removed, in order to make the premises safe and secure.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk shall cause this resolution to be published once in the official city newspaper and a copy mailed to the owner, his or her agent, lien holders and occupants as provided by law and a copy of said resolution shall be filed with the Montgomery County Register of Deeds.

Adopted this 26th day of June, 2025.

(SEAL)
s. Scott Smith
Mayor
s. David Schwenker
City Clerk

July 3, 2025

