

Trump: Obama 'Snubbed' Israel

In a bold speech late last week, Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump outlined his foreign policy, while blasting U.S. President Barack Obama's administration for "snubbing" Israel.

"Israel, our great friend, and the only true democracy in the Middle East, has been snubbed and criticized by an administration that lacks moral clarity," Trump said. "President Obama has not been a friend to Israel. He has treated Iran with tender love and care, and made it a great power."

Trump added that Iran's rise comes "at the expense of Israel, our allies in the region, and more importantly, the United States itself," and that Obama had been determined to negotiate a "disastrous deal with Iran, and then we watched them ignore its terms even before the ink was dry."

Trump said that in making a deal, "when the other side knows you're not going to walk, it becomes absolutely impossible to win, you just can't win." Unlike Obama, who promised that Iran would not have a nuclear bomb as long as he was president, Trump stressed that, if elected, he would ensure that Iran "will never, ever be allowed to have that nuclear weapon."

Trump added that America's allies, especially NATO members, "must contribute toward their financial, political and human costs—have to do it—of our tremendous security burden."

He also made clear that his "foreign policy will always put the interests of the American people and American security above all else."

Trump extended his criticism of the Obama administration to specifically include Democratic presidential candidate and former U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, saying, "I

challenge anyone to explain the strategic foreign policy vision of Obama/Clinton. It has been a complete and total disaster.”

He repeated his criticism of Obama’s reluctance to single out radical Islam as a problem, saying, “President Obama won’t even name the enemy, and unless you name the enemy, you will never ever solve the problem.”

Speaking about the Islamic State group, he said, “I have a simple message for them: Their days are numbered. I won’t tell them where and I won’t tell them how.”

Also on Wednesday, Trump called out rival Ted Cruz for naming Carly Fiorina as his vice presidential running mate, saying the pick was “a desperate attempt to save a failing campaign by an all talk, no action politician.” {eo}

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