

(Video): Iran's state TV disrupted, airing footage of opposition leaders

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PARIS, FRANCE, January 28, 2022 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Thursday, afternoon January 27th, the Iranian regime's state television Channel 1 and the Quran Channel were disrupted. A crossed-out image of Iranian regime supreme leader Ali Khamenei, followed by images of [Massoud Rajavi](#), the leader of the Iranian Resistance, and Mrs. [Maryam Rajavi, President-elect of the NCRI](#).



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The images were accompanied by audio slogans "Death to Khamenei!" and "Viva Rajavi"! Radio Tehran, Radio Eghtesad, and Radio Talawat were also hacked, and slogans of death to Khamenei and greetings to Rajavi were broadcast on them.

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Many TV and radio stations of Iran's state broadcasting network were disrupted at 3 pm local time on Thursday, January 27, airing footage of Iranian Resistance leader Massoud Rajavi and Mrs. Maryam Rajavi, the President-elect of the Iranian opposition coalition National Council of Resistance of Iran (NCRI).

The disrupted sequence also aired visual and at times audio slogans of "Death to Khamenei!" in a reference to regime Supreme Leader Ali Khamenei, and "Viva Rajavi!" again referring to the Iranian opposition leaders.

"Given that the security infrastructure was designed to protect the broadcaster, this is not an

easy task and it is very complicated,” said Reza Alidadi, technical director of the state’s Radio and Television. “Only those who own the technology can damage the systems. We are currently investigating to determine the source of the issue and the problem.”

Tasnim News Agency also reported the incident, stating that the possibility of “human element infiltration” should also be considered and called for the necessary investigation in this regard.

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The images also show a video clip of Massoud Rajavi, who says: “Today, we still honor the time that we declared death to the reactionary. We stood by it.” “More than 400 TV and radio servers were offline and completely destroyed,” according to sources providing reports from inside Iran’s TV and radio networks.

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State Networks 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, Jam-e Jam 1, 2, 3, Al-Alam, Quran, Salamat, Sports, Education, and Culture TV stations, along with the following radio stations witnessed the mentioned disruptions: Culture, Payam, Quran, Sports, Eghtesad (Economy), Ava, Iran, Health, Talavat, Tehran, Radio Museum, Radio Reserve, Radio Javan.

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"Similar disruptions happened to the Koran Channel, Radio Javan, and Radio Payam," he added, referring to other state-affiliated broadcast channels. In the past, Iran has witnessed a series of cyberattacks such as one last year in October that disrupted the sale of heavily subsidized gasoline.

The [disruption] represented a major breach of Iranian state television, long believed to be controlled and operated by members of the Islamic Republic's intelligence branches, particularly its hard-line Revolutionary Guard. Such an incident hasn't happened for years, according to the Associated Press.

Iran's state-run Khabar Four acknowledged today's disruption and held the Iranian opposition [People's Mojahedin Organization of Iran \(PMOI/MEK\)](#) accountable. "Network One was disrupted by the MEK, airing images of Massoud Rajavi for a few moments," the report reads.

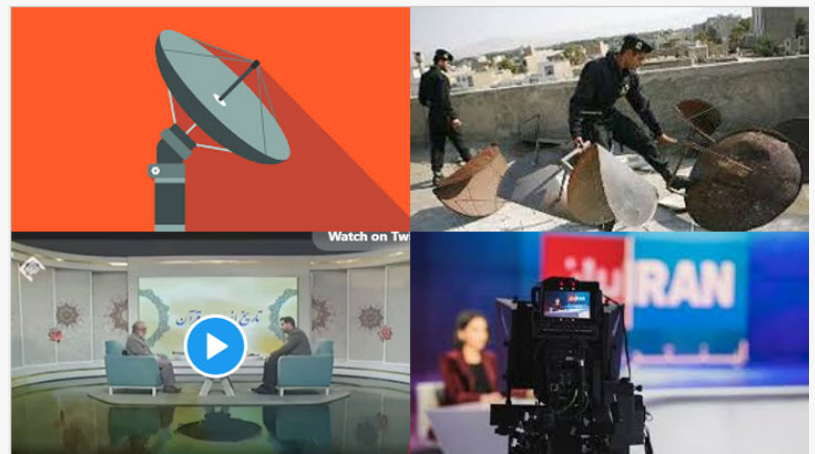
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Akharin Khabar (Latest News) Telegram group reported this afternoon: "How did the Monafeqin



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(meaning the Hypocrites, the pejorative term used by the Iranian regime's for the Mojahedin-e-Khalq) reach the radio and television antennas?! The technical and broadcasting systems are completely isolated, they are equipped with acceptable security protocols and are not accessible via the Internet.

Detailed information on the various dimensions of the sabotage has not yet been released, and IRIB officials are investigating the case, but sabotage seems to have been the most likely scenario."

Hesamoddin Ashna, a former deputy minister of the regime's intelligence ministry (MOIS) and Hassan Rouhani's press adviser tweeted: "You can expect anything from this hypocritical organization."

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