

# Obama's Diplomacy Receives Chilly Reception in Tehran

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State Department officials have been drafting a presidential letter to be sent to the Supreme Leader of Iran, offering significant U.S. concessions to the Iranian leadership, the Guardian newspaper reported on Thursday.

One draft of the letter reportedly includes assurances that the United States does not want to overthrow the Islamic regime, and will not support opposition groups operating in the border regions with Pakistan, Azerbaijan, and Iraq.

... But among Iran's power elite, the make-nice diplomacy has been given a chilly reception.

Speaking to supporters in western Kermanshah province on Wednesday, President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad cautiously welcomed Obama's offer to "change" the dynamic of U.S-Iranian relations, then put a price on the type of "change" he expects from Washington that undoubtedly even the Obama White House would find unacceptable.

[...] **"U.S. Democratic administrations always chose the wrong allies,"** opposition activist, **Roozbeh Farahanipour, told Newsmax. "Instead of choosing the Iranian people, they chose a fundamentalist terrorist government to be their ally. That's not a good strategy."**

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