

# Ahmadinejad thanks Chavez for supporting Iran's nuclear stand

President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad thanked his Venezuelan counterpart Hugo Chavez in a phone talk on Monday night for his country's strong support for Iran's righteous nuclear stand.

The two presidents during the phone talks once again backed each other's political stands on various international issues and both agreed on the need to further strengthen comprehensive bilateral ties.

The President of the Islamic Republic of Iran once again thanked President Chavez and the Venezuelan government and people for supporting Iran's absolute right to nuclear energy for peaceful purposes, adding, "We have lots of shared objectives and ideals." Ahmadinejad added, "Those objectives have formed strong bonds between our two nations, under such conditions that the ill wishers of Iran and Venezuela keep getting weaker day after day."

The Iranian President emphasized, "Independent governments of the world can secure their nation's interests relying on strengthening solidarity among themselves and acting harmoniously at international scenes."

He reiterated, "Pursuing our absolute right to have full access to nuclear technology for peaceful purposes, we would keep on in accordance with the related laws, and relying on strong logic, quite sure that victory would be our nation's, as well as all other free and independent nations'."

The Venezuelan President, too, once again voiced his country's strong support for Iran's peaceful nuclear drive, arguing, "You are definitely right in suggesting that relying on the independent countries' unity we would succeed in resisting against the pressure imposed by international oppressor powers."

Chavez added, "Such a unity could also accelerate the international community's move towards better understanding, holding meaningful dialogues, and lasting world peace."

Addressing President Ahmadinejad, he added, "I am sure the leader of the Islamic Revolution and your good self could relying on strong wisdom push forth Iran's move towards mastering the nuclear technology for peaceful purposes, and I am sure the Iranian nation would emerge victorious from this crisis."

The Venezuelan President at the end of the phone talk emphasized the need to strengthen and pursue the process of the two countries' joint projects