

U.S. Black Churches Support Iran Nuclear Agreement



New York, August 15 (RHC)-- Black churches in the United States will support the conclusion of nuclear talks between Iran and the five permanent members of the UN Security Council plus Germany.

"We have a disproportionate interest, being that if there is a war, our community is always disproportionately part of the armed services, and that a lot of the debate is by people who will not have family members who will be at risk," Rev. Al Sharpton told The Huffington Post on Friday.

"I am calling on ministers in Black churches nationwide to go to their pulpits Sunday and have their parishioners call their senators and congressman to vote yes on the Iran nuclear plan," he added.

The civil rights activist said there is a need to stand against those who are opposing the July 14th nuclear agreement, such as the American Israel Public Affairs Committee.

"Clearly lobbyists and others like AIPAC are pushing on their side and there needs to be an organized effort on the other side. And we're kicking it off tomorrow morning," Sharpton said.

After the conclusion of nuclear negotiations between Iran, the U.S., and its five partners in Vienna last month, Congress is scheduled to vote on the agreement in September. AIPAC, the most powerful pro-Israel lobbying group in the United States, is spending millions of dollars, urging legislators to reject the

agreement.

Republican lawmakers have expressed their opposition to the deal, but President Barack Obama is hopeful that his fellow Democratic allies in both chambers support him.

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