

Non-Aligned Movement Reiterates Call for UN Structural Reforms



United Nations, October 28 (RHC)-- The Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) has reiterated the need for structural reforms in the United Nations in conformity with the UN Charter.

Iran's Ambassador to the UN Hossein Dehqani delivered a speech at the Sixth Committee on behalf of the NAM in New York about the movement's stance on the importance of strengthening the fundamental principles of the UN Charter and promoting multi-lateralism in the international body.

Dehqani said NAM calls on the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations to review the legal nature of the implementation of Chapter IV of the UN Charter in regard to the function of the body's organs.

He stressed the important role of the UN General Assembly and criticized the Security Council's interference in issues which are related to the General Assembly and the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC).

Dehqani, whose country presides over NAM, also slammed the Security Council's imposition of sanctions on countries, saying sanctions would be legitimate only in case the countries threaten international peace and security. He emphasized that the use of sanctions as a deterrent measure violates international principles and regulations.

Dehqani criticized some countries for pursuing unconstructive approaches towards the NAM proposals about important issues pertaining to the UN Charter and said such suggestions aim to strengthen the UN democratic performance.

The Iranian ambassador called on the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations to precisely examine the proposals.

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