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Iranian government warned Afghan media to stop propaganda

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The Iranian government on Monday warned the Afghan media to stop propaganda against the Iranian government and the way the Iranian government treat the Afghan immigrants in this country, Iranian officials in Teheran said.



According to Ramin Mahmanparast, the spokesman for the Iranian Ministry of Foreign Affairs in an interview with Iranian press said there is a conspiracy going on against the benefits of Iran and Afghanistan in the region.

He warned the Afghan media that Iran will react against those media outlets trying to destroy the good and brotherhood relation of Iran and Afghanistan.

He blamed the Jandullah group for conducting protests in Kabul against the Iran government “a try to spoil the relations between Kabul and Teheran” he said.

The Iranian government reacted to the recent protests of Afghans in Kabul and Herat in a time that Iran has recently executed at least 60 Afghans.

At the same time, Afghan Ministry of Culture and Information warned the Afghan media outlets to stop “abuse” of religious leaders of Afghanistan’s friend countries, most reference to the burning of Khomiani images, the religious leader of Iran.

Afghan officials in western province of Herat confirmed Iranian government have executed more than 60 Afghans for different charges.

Mohammad, an Afghan journalist in Kabul told me “Iran’s reaction against the Afghan media outlets is a kind of trespassing of international laws and freedom of speech and freedom of media.”

Kabul and Herat provinces have been the scenes of anti-Iran protests and the angry Afghans burned the images of Iranian leaders including the religious leader of Iran Khomiani.

On Saturday, a group of Afghans in Kabul protested against the Iranian government and the execution of Afghans in this country.

The angry protestors shouted “down with Iran” and “Iran is the devil” and they burned the pictures of Iranian leaders.

The execution of Afghans in Iran provoked the reaction of Afghan parliament and they asked the Afghan government to react immediately to the case and shall discuss the issue with Iranian authorities.

Iran has been blamed for supporting of Taliban insurgents in the past by the U.S. and British commanders.

A month ago, Afghan officials in western Afghanistan blamed the Iranian government for supplying of ammo and provide of shelter and vehicles for the Taliban in western provinces of Afghanistan.

