The impact and influence of Imam Khomeini's thought and actions on the foreign policy of the Islamic Republic

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Abstract:

The foreign policy of Islamic republic is a topic that for the reasons of its importance and the authority's stances in fatal times has frequently been analyzed by experts differently; in general, there are two considerable standpoints influencing expert's judgments as the master and the lukewarm one. The first standpoint carries an ideal look at the Islamic foreign policy and its criteria in judgment of the topic is merely fundamental causes and Matos of Islamic revolution and sometimes in its analyzing of the matter exceedingly relay on ideal causes and neglects realities. And second standpoint is the one that analyzes Islamic republic's foreign policy by merely relaying on the facts and tangible realities, and neglects history and background of causes and Matos in its prioritization procedure sometimes and seconds the causes of revolution. There is also a third standpoint which tries to consider, causes and realities as well as musts and existing statuses fairly. Regarding flaws and faults of the first two standpoints the value of this study can be seen in its investigation of causes and principles considered in foreign policy plus the existing realities in the field of foreign policy, the effect of existing realities in the kind of look at causes in the practical policy of foreign policy of the two sensitive period (the time of occupying the American embassy and undertaking 598's sanction) and after departure of Imam the nuclear saga. Therefore, the author here in expressing examples of foreign policy through different angles have been trying to stay away from a single dimensional look at the matter and merely analyzes the events according to examples and principles of expedience or real idealism as one of the main criteria of foreign policy from Imam's view.

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