

# **The republicanism and Islamic system in the political thought of Imam Khomeini**

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## **Abstract:**

Concerning the political thoughts and particularly Islam's and Iran's political thoughts the two words and they are republic and Islam have a special position. An examination of Iran's political thoughts without pondering about that concept do not give us a complete result. This research is a trying in the direction of making clear the political thoughts of one of Iran's political-religious leaders and that title in turn propels the analyst to examine and discuss what concerns those two concepts. The writer believes that a deep understanding of Imam Khomeini's political thoughts is possible and can be reached through examining those two concepts. Based on that logic I have founded this research so that all of the issues of that that are in different chapters express the different dimensions of republicanism, Islamism and the styles of their interaction concerning each other have to do with Imam Khomeini's political thoughts. Concerning political thoughts in Iran some individuals notice more republicanism and democracy and a group emphasize on the government's Islamism. Regarding that different views have been put forward and that ask this question are the two concepts able to have unity or not? This research clearly finds out the relationship of those two concerning Imam Khomeini's thought and examines the possibility of the conceptual unity of those two.

The main hypothesis is based on this that that the republicanism and the Islamism concepts of Imam Khomeini's thoughts do not go against each other and they can be added to each other. Hence noting the existence of different interpretations about those two relationships is an examination and a putting forward of the explicit view of Imam Khomeini about that and that is a step towards reducing the mental tensions and the going against each in the country. This research includes an introduction, 5 chapters and a final conclusion. The introduction expresses the thesis's main framework. The first chapter: that is regarding the concept of republicanism concerning the political thoughts. First the views of the expert scientists about republic will be expressed and after categorizing the contemporary political systems by the new thinkers the people and freedom will be introduced as the basis of the republican rule.

The second chapter: that expresses the relationship between religion and politics concerning Islam. In the beginning of the chapter the degree of the interaction of religions with politics and notably Christianity and Judaism will be said and in what continues the tokens of Islamism of the government, the background of the interaction of Islam and politics in Iran and the proportion of Islam with politics are explained. For the purpose of having the views of the opponents I make use of the mixing of religion and politics and that is one of the views of the deceased Mehdi Bazargan and he was an engineer and Ali Abdolrazagh and ultimately, I provide a critique of their views.

The second chapter ends with the putting forward of believing in the oneness of religion and the government according to Imam Khomeini.

Third chapter: that explains the concept of Islamism of the system concerning Imam Khomeini's political thought. That after putting forward a brief introduction begins a discussion of Imam Khomeini and the Islamism of the rule. That part of the chapter expresses the importance and the supremacy of the Islamism of ruling according to Imam Khomeini, his reasoning concerning the necessity of Islamic rule, the features of the Islamic rule according to him and ultimately explaining the principle of the guardianship of the jurisprudent.

In the fourth chapter I try to find out the description of how the concept of the republicanism of the ruling is concerning Imam Khomeini's political thoughts. In that chapter the different dimensions of the aspect of the republicanism of the ruling and that is offered by Imam Khomeini is explained. The beginning of the chapter begins with expressing the word republicanism and Imam Khomeini's emphases on that and his view of the role of the people concerning the formation and the continuing of the government and also the emphasizing of the rights of the people concerning the rule according to Imam is expressed. The conclusion of the chapter puts forward the emphasis of Imam on the deployment of the people in the main context of the macro political decision-makings.

The fifth chapter: in a way that is the same as the conclusion and the main hypothesis of the thesis meaning Islamism unity and the republicanism. In that chapter the different probabilities regarding the relationship between the republicanism and the Islamism is expressed and ultimately, I explain republic and Islam as the two principle backings for each other and imagining one without the other in the world of reality is impossible. The final getting the conclusion: This research is based on this basis that according to Imam Khomeini's thoughts there is not a going against each other concerning the republic and Islam and in fact both of them have an eminent position. Therefore in the conclusion part it was proved that that those two trying one hundred percent defend and support each other. Meanwhile a number of probabilities regarding those two can be seen. But once I hypothesized that regarding the going against each other or the making understand I reached this result that the making understands are the most logical result of my discussion. The republicanism is the greatest backing of the Islamic rule and Islamism and all of the aspects of that defend the republic.

**Keywords:** Imam Khomeini (peace be upon him), the republicanism, being Islamic, the political thought, the Islamic republic, the Islamic rule, the guardianship of the jurisprudent