

# **The Middle East in 2032: One Region – Two Realities**

An Assessment of the Crossroads and Where the Region is Headed

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# One Region: Two Realities

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# Iranian Regional Proxies

Distribution of weapons  
to Iranian proxies  
(long-range missiles,  
cruise missiles and UAVs)



# Iranian Terror Budgets

Iranian proxy funding (per year): over 1 billion USD  
Palestinians - Over 100 million USD to Hamas and Islamic Jihad



Lebanon – Over 500 million USD



Iraq – Tens of millions of USD to pro-Iranian militias

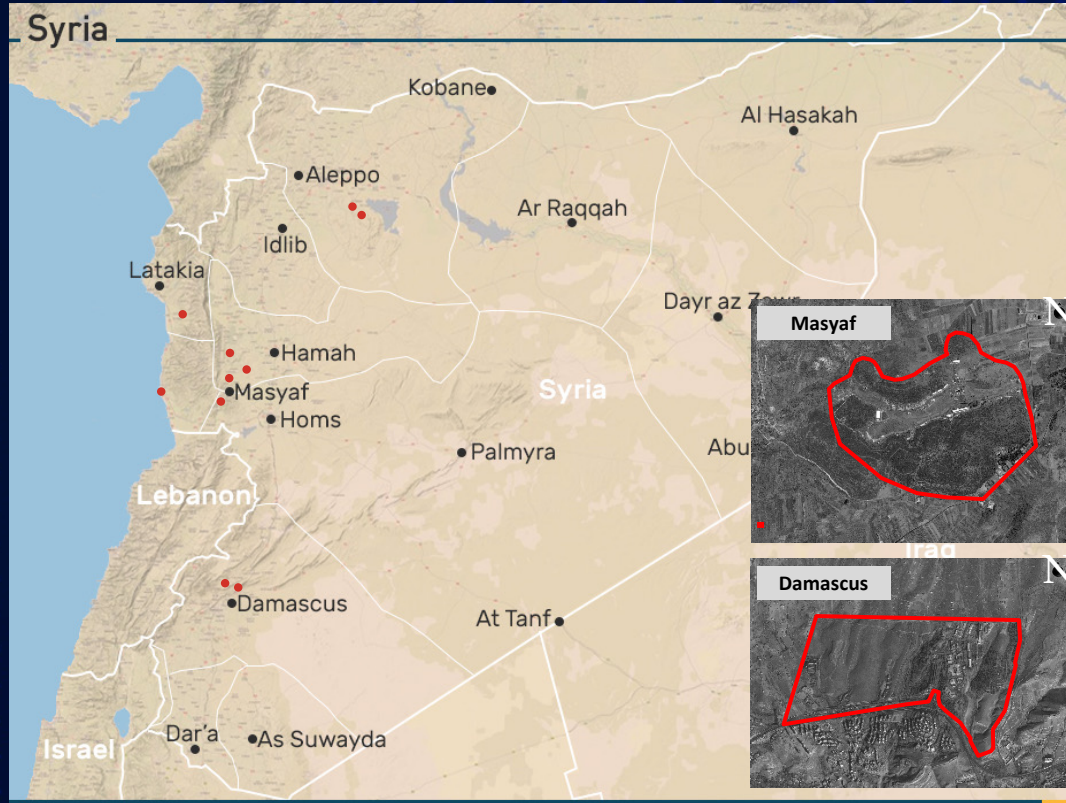


Yemen – Hundreds of millions of USD to the area

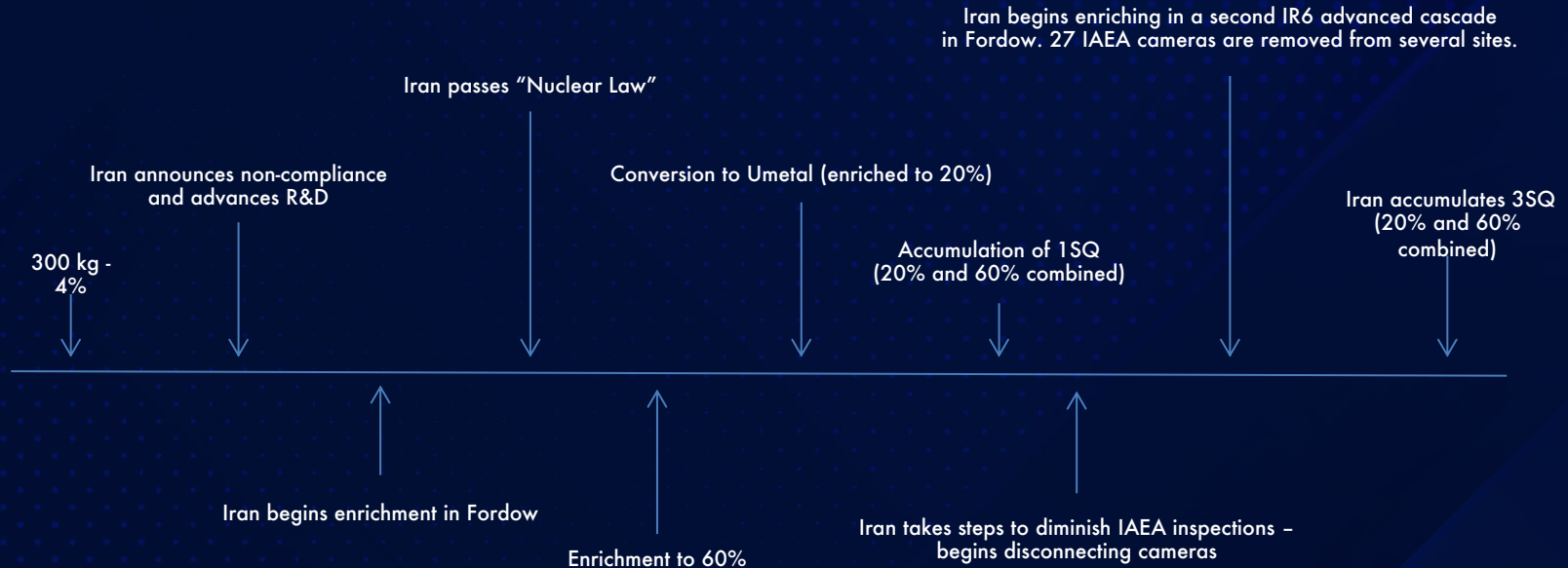




# Iranian Terror Industries: CERS in Syria



# Iran's Nuclear Program



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Topic	JCPOA Requirement	Iranian Activity
Enriched Uranium stockpiles	Up to 300 kg of UF6 enriched up to 3.67%	<b>As of September 2022:</b>  4% - around 1 tonne (approximately 1SQ)  20% - <b>495 kgs (over 2SQ)</b> , 1SQ is at around 220 kg + 50 kg in fuel form  60% - <b>83.3 kgs</b> (Over 1SQ, 1SQ is at around 65 kg) + several kg for uranium targets
Use of the Fordow site	Enrichment prohibited	Enrichment to 20%
Advanced centrifuges	Allowed in a gradual manner for R&D purposes	Production and enrichment of Thousands of advanced centrifuges
Uranium metal	Prohibited	Production of enriched uranium metal at 20%

# The Alternative – Pragmatic Steps

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1. Expanding regional cooperation
2. Reaching a solid agreement while maintaining military deterrence
3. Building a robust intelligence coalition
4. Addressing the “Open Files”



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