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GRIEVANCE-AND-RED-LINE EDITION

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Front pages published the morning of 23 July 2026, reflecting events through late 22 July local

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Front page of Vatan-e Emrooz newspaper, dated Thursday, 23 July 2026 (1405 Mordad 1).

The main headline reads: **پارده‌های تن جنوب** (The Veils of the South). The sub-headline states: **آیین تشییع بقایای بیکر بمب‌های ایران** (The Ceremony of the Shipment of the Remains of the Bombs of Iran).

The main image shows a large crowd of people gathered in a public square, with many individuals holding Iranian flags. The crowd is dense, and the atmosphere appears somber.

Other headlines on the page include:

- مادر میهمان فرزندان شهید** (Mother of the Guest of the Martyr's Children)
- نفت جهان دوقفله شد** (World Oil is Double-Barreled)
- پاکسازی منطقه از حضور آمریکا** (Cleaning the Area of American Presence)
- اروپا تر محاصره تر دیدها** (Europe is Surrounded by Troubled Views)

The page also features several smaller articles and sections, including a section titled **رستاخیز یک ملت** (The Resurrection of a Nation) and a section titled **جرا توافقی‌های ایران و آمریکا پیش از اجرا و می‌رود؟** (Will the Agreements between Iran and America be Implemented before Execution?).

Front page: Vatan-e Emrooz

Executive Summary

Day 142 is a grievance-and-red-line edition, and its lead judgment is that two escalation frames have merged. The first is a leadership revenge register: over a photograph of a mother holding a shrouded child, the centrist Hamshahri carries the Leader of the Revolution (in current coverage, Mojtaba Khamenei) pledging that 'this file will be closed with revenge' and promising 'greater sensitivity toward the revenge for the blood of our children.' The Minab school strike, the killing of the schoolchildren logged in prior editions, is thereby reopened as an open account whose closure is defined as retaliation, and the revenge lexicon (انتقام / خونخواهی) is now voiced from the top rather than by the hardline commentariat. The same grief anchors the funerals that lead Vatan-e Emrooz ('Torn pieces of the south's body'), Jam-e Jam ('Torn pieces of Iran's body,' with 'everyone was there except Makan') and Farhikhtegan ('We neither forgive nor forget'), and is internationalized in English on Iran Daily ('Minab buries remains of 32 children killed in US school carnage').

The second, and the single most consequential shift of the cycle, is a nuclear-strike red line running across the factions. Triggered by a reported US intent to strike Iran's new nuclear facilities, the Khatam al-Anbia Central Base warning, that any attack on Iran's nuclear and sensitive centers will be treated as an expansion of the war (توسعه جنگ) and will place US interests, allies and their security under Iranian assault, leads the reformist Etemad ('Tehran's ultimatum'), headlines the government's English Iran Daily ('Armed Forces warn US against ground invasion, strikes on nuclear sites'), drives Javan's full-page mushroom-cloud front ('You are triggering the bomb!') and appears as a banner on the economic-principalist Chaharsu. That a deterrent message on the nuclear threshold is carried identically on reformist, government and hardline fronts is the strongest evidence of centrally-guided message discipline in the edition, and it marks the nuclear question, dormant in recent cycles, as the live escalation axis.

The corollary is that the diplomacy track has receded from the front pages. Where Day 141 opened with mediators and a leadership ceiling of 'end the war, but not peace,' and the government daily foregrounded negotiation, today the official Iran newspaper leads instead on a strike operation ('Three US bases in Kuwait again targeted by army drone strikes') and files the US \$1.15-trillion defense budget as proof of American-Israeli war-funding, while quoting US Senator Chris Murphy that Trump 'isn't serious' about nuclear talks. The mediation thread is not repudiated so much as crowded out: the state paper has aligned to the military-and-revenge register, and the negotiation ceiling that dominated the prior lead is nowhere on today's front pages. The reformist Etemad's 'internal rift is an invitation for enemies' is the nearest surviving argument for restraint from within the establishment bloc.

The standing chokepoint thread continues but shifts register from ultimatum to claimed execution and economic risk. The dual-lock framing (Hormuz plus Bab al-Mandeb) recurs as an oil-shock projection on Hamshahri ('a surge in oil with the closure of 2 chokepoints,' toward 100 dollars), on Vatan-e Emrooz ('world oil double-locked') and, higher still, on Farhikhtegan ('the siege of Saudi Arabia begins; 120-dollar oil on the way?'). Sobh-e No pushes it toward claimed action, asserting the Guards have closed the Strait, that of three tankers one caught fire and two turned back, and that 'the Strait of Hormuz remains under our control,' alongside a claimed strike on a CENTCOM data node in Bahrain ('CENTCOM's digital eye went blind'). The economic titles price the same story as danger, not victory: Ta'adol reads 'the pulse of oil in the chokepoint of crisis' and 'a shadow that has not left the world economy,' and Chaharsu, which on Day 141 demanded the Strait stay closed 60 more days, today recodes Hormuz as the 'guarantor of victory' rather than issuing a fresh closure ultimatum, a slight softening of the operational ask worth tracking.

The military claims that underwrite the triumph frame remain attacker-sourced and internally inconsistent, and are logged as claims. 'Operation Saaeqeh Phase 23' against Kuwait bases, 'Operation Nasr 2, Wave 24'

against Bahrain, the claimed US admission that 'Iran's strikes are devastating' on Kayhan, the tanker interdictions and the casualty tallies all originate with the attacking side or its wires; the Kuwait bases are named Al-Doha, Al-Dhafra, Ali al-Salem and Arifjan variously across Kayhan, Fars News, Nour News, Defa Press and the government daily Iran, and the Minab casualty figure is 32 at the funeral (cross-confirmed on Iran Daily's English page) but 168 in agency messaging. The unreconciled base names and casualty counts are themselves the caution against reproducing any single claim as fact.

Beneath the war, two counter-currents and one absence are worth filing. The reformist Sazandegi again declines the grievance lead, running instead a profile of the philosopher Abdolkarim Soroush ('Zeal in exile') and domestic-vulnerability items ('The fall of Mashhad?', 'Threat to the capital's infrastructure!') with a 'war of calculations and the trap of loss' editorial that reads the moment as cost, not triumph; Farhikhtegan pairs its revenge slogan with an Ahmad Tavakoli feature on 'within-discourse critique,' a marker of internal principlist self-examination. The football-governance controversy persists as a cross-factional domestic-control thread (Vatan-e Emrooz's 'Politics against football,' Ta'adol's economic take). And Israel and Lebanon remain absent as active fronts: Israel surfaces only as the beneficiary of the US budget and as the 'occupied territories' of the retreat and travel-warning items, Lebanon not at all.

Net assessment: this is a reassertion-and-escalation-signal edition. The verifiable shift is directional rather than kinetic, the frame moved, the war did not visibly change, but the direction is unambiguous: away from the prior cycle's mediation lead and toward a fused grievance-and-deterrence page, with the nuclear threshold newly activated as the red line. The highest-significance finding is the cross-factional nuclear-strike warning, because it names, on reformist and government fronts as much as hardline ones, the one escalation that Tehran is signalling in advance it will treat as war-expanding; the leadership revenge pledge over the Minab children is the emotional engine driving that signal, and the disappearance of the diplomacy track from the front pages is the clearest measure of how far the register has swung.

BOTTOM LINE Day 142 fuses two escalation frames into one page: the Leader's reported pledge that the Minab schoolchildren's killing will be 'closed with revenge,' and a cross-factional armed-forces red line that any US strike on Iran's nuclear sites will be treated as an expansion of the war, so the front pages have swung from the prior cycle's mediation-first coverage back toward grievance and deterrence, with the diplomacy track largely pushed off the page and Israel present only as the US budget's beneficiary and the 'occupied territories' of the retreat narrative.

CRITICAL SOURCING NOTE Compiled from nine Persian front-page scans (Farhikhtegan, Hamshahri, Javan, Vatan-e Emrooz, Jam-e Jam, Sazandegi, Chaharsu, Ta'adol, Etemad) read directly by vision, one English print scan (Iran Daily) read by vision, and three text-only titles read from their public channels (Kayhan, Sobh-e No, the government daily Iran), with three agency wires (Fars News, Nour News, Defa Press) used for corroboration and threat-signaling only, labeled as claims. Tehran Times was unavailable at the time. Every Iranian military, battle-damage and interdiction claim is attacker-sourced and unverified; base names and casualty figures are internally inconsistent across titles and are not reproduced as fact. The leadership revenge pledge (Appendix A) is a front-page paraphrase, not a retrieved primary-source text. 'The Leader' in current coverage is Mojtaba Khamenei; the martyred predecessor Ali Khamenei is referenced separately. Quoted US-politician and expert lines (Chris Murphy, Richard Falk) are rendered as printed by the outlets and flagged as outlet-presented.

Macro Trend Analysis

1 A nuclear-strike red line is activated across the factions

Triggered by a reported US intent to strike Iran's new nuclear facilities, the Khatam al-Anbia warning that any attack on Iran's nuclear and sensitive sites will be treated as an expansion of the war runs identically on the reformist Etemad, the government's English Iran Daily, the hardline Javan and the economic-principlist Chaharsu. The uniformity across factions indicates centrally-guided message discipline on the nuclear threshold rather than organic convergence, and it re-activates the nuclear question, dormant in recent cycles, as the edition's live escalation axis.

2 The Minab child deaths become a leadership revenge pledge

The killing of the schoolchildren, logged in prior editions, is reopened as an open account: Hamshahri carries the Leader (Mojtaba Khamenei) pledging the 'file' will be 'closed with revenge,' and the funerals lead Vatan-e Emrooz, Jam-e Jam and Farhikhtegan and are internationalized on Iran Daily's English page. The revenge lexicon (انتقام / خونخواهی) is now voiced from the top, binding the grievance to the day's deterrent signalling and supplying the emotional engine of the escalation frame.

3 The diplomacy track recedes from the front pages

Where Day 141 led with mediators and a 'end the war, but not peace' ceiling, today the official Iran daily leads on a strike operation and files the US defense budget as war-funding, while the mediation thread is crowded off the front pages. The negotiation ceiling that dominated the prior lead is absent; the reformist Etemad's 'internal rift is an invitation for enemies' is the nearest surviving establishment argument for restraint. The swing from mediation-first to strike-and-revenge is the cycle's clearest directional move.

4 Chokepoint coercion shifts from ultimatum to claimed action and priced risk

The Hormuz-plus-Bab al-Mandeb dual-lock recurs as an oil-shock projection (Hamshahri toward 100 dollars, Farhikhtegan toward 120 with a Saudi 'siege') and, on Sobh-e No, as claimed execution: a Strait 'under our control,' a tanker afire, a Bahrain data-node strike. The economic titles price it as crisis, not victory (Ta'adol's 'pulse of oil in the chokepoint of crisis'), and Chaharsu recodes Hormuz as 'guarantor of victory' rather than repeating its Day-141 '60 more days' closure demand, a slight softening of the operational ask against a louder claimed-action register.

5 The strike campaign persists as attacker-sourced, internally inconsistent claim

'Operation Saaeqeh Phase 23' (Kuwait bases), 'Operation Nasr 2, Wave 24' (Bahrain) and a claimed US admission of strike damage anchor the US-in-defeat frame, but the Kuwait bases are named Al-Doha, Al-Dhafra, Ali al-Salem and Arifjan variously across Kayhan, Fars, Nour News, Defa Press and Iran, and the Minab toll is 32 at the funeral versus 168 in agency messaging. The unreconciled names and counts are the caution against reproducing any single claim as fact; the 'Trump's empty gun' US-exhaustion collage on Vatan-e Emrooz is outlet-curated illustration, not an order-of-battle assessment.

6 Reformist dissent and internal critique survive beneath the unified war page

Sazandegi again declines the grievance lead, running Soroush and domestic-vulnerability items with a 'war of calculations and trap of loss' editorial that reads the moment as cost; Farhikhtegan pairs its revenge slogan with an Ahmad Tavakoli 'within-discourse critique' feature; the football-governance controversy persists as a cross-factional domestic-control thread. The front-page unity elsewhere is therefore a choice, and the surviving counter-currents mark the edition's factional fault line.

Key Judgments

KJ-1 [HIGH] A nuclear-strike red line has been activated and is running cross-factionally. The Khatam al-Anbia warning that any US attack on Iran's nuclear and sensitive sites will be treated as an expansion of

the war leads the reformist Etemad, headlines the government's English Iran Daily, drives Javan's mushroom-cloud front and banners the economic-principlist Chaharsu, apparently in response to a reported US intent to strike Iran's new nuclear facilities. Significance: this is the cycle's most consequential development because it re-activates the nuclear threshold, quiet in recent editions, as the declared escalation axis, and its identical carriage on reformist, government and hardline fronts is strong evidence of centrally-guided message discipline rather than organic agreement; it is the one escalation Tehran is signalling in advance it will treat as war-expanding, and the barometer to watch is whether the US threat that triggered it materializes.

KJ-2 [HIGH] The Minab child-casualty grievance has been elevated into a leadership revenge pledge. Hamshahri, a centrist municipal daily, carries the Leader (Mojtaba Khamenei) over a child's shroud pledging the 'file will be closed with revenge' and 'greater sensitivity toward the revenge for the blood of our children,' echoed by Jam-e Jam's 'prepare the coffins' and Farhikhtegan's 'we neither forgive nor forget.' Significance: the revenge register (انتقام / خونخواهی) is now voiced from the top and across factions, converting a past grievance into a stated leadership commitment that supplies the emotional engine of the day's deterrent signalling; the attributed leadership line is a front-page paraphrase, not a retrieved primary-source text, and is judged on the consistency of its rendering rather than a verbatim source.

KJ-3 [MODERATE-HIGH] The diplomacy track has been pushed off the front pages, and the government daily has aligned to the strike-and-revenge register. The official Iran newspaper leads on 'Three US bases in Kuwait again targeted by army drone strikes' and files the US \$1.15-trillion budget as American-Israeli war-funding, while the prior cycle's mediation lead and 'end the war, not peace' ceiling are absent from today's fronts. Significance: this is a directional swing, not a repudiation of negotiation, but a state paper that led on mediators a cycle ago now leads on an operation, which measures how far the register has moved toward escalation; track whether the diplomacy thread returns or stays crowded out, and read the reformist Etemad's 'internal rift is an invitation for enemies' as the surviving establishment argument for restraint.

KJ-4 [MODERATE-HIGH] Chokepoint coercion has shifted from ultimatum toward claimed action and priced economic risk. Sobh-e No asserts the Strait of Hormuz is 'under our control' with a tanker afire and two turned back, plus a claimed Bahrain data-node strike; the oil-shock projections climb (Hamshahri toward 100 dollars, Farhikhtegan toward 120 with a Saudi 'siege'); yet Chaharsu recodes Hormuz as 'guarantor of victory' rather than repeating its Day-141 demand to keep the Strait closed 60 more days. Significance: the register is louder on claimed execution but slightly softer on the explicit closure ultimatum, and the economic titles (Ta'adol) price the same story as crisis rather than victory; treat the tanker-interdiction and cyber-strike claims as attacker-sourced and unconfirmed, and watch the gap between the 'winning card' framing and the business press's risk framing.

KJ-5 [MODERATE] The strike campaign continues as attacker-sourced claim and remains internally inconsistent on its own facts. 'Operation Saaeqeh Phase 23' (Kuwait), 'Operation Nasr 2, Wave 24' (Bahrain) and a claimed US admission that 'Iran's strikes are devastating' on Kayhan anchor the US-in-defeat frame, but the Kuwait bases are named Al-Doha, Al-Dhafra, Ali al-Salem and Arifjan variously across five outlets, and the Minab toll is 32 at the funeral versus 168 in agency messaging. Significance: treat the continuing exchange as probable but every base identity and casualty tally as messaging to be confirmed outside this monitor; the unreconciled names and counts, and the outlet-curated 'Trump's empty gun' US-exhaustion collage, are the standing caution against reproducing any single claim as authentic.

KJ-6 [MODERATE] Negative-evidence judgment: Israel and Lebanon remain absent as active military fronts. No monitored front page leads on an Israeli or Lebanese military development; Israel appears only as the beneficiary of the US \$1.15-trillion budget's 'military-technological cooperation' and as the 'occupied territories' of the retreat and travel-warning items, and Lebanon not at all. Significance: the confrontation on the page has consolidated around the US-Iran nuclear-and-grievance axis and the chokepoints, and the continued Israel-Lebanon quiet should be logged as a finding in its own right, since a return to either front would be a signal; read the absence against the nuclear-red-line lead rather than as evidence either front has closed.

KJ-7 [MODERATE] Reformist dissent and internal critique persist beneath the unified war page. Sazandegi declines the grievance lead for a Soroush profile and domestic-vulnerability items with a 'war of calculations and the trap of loss' editorial; Farhikhtegan pairs its revenge slogan with an Ahmad Tavakoli 'within-discourse critique' feature; the football-governance controversy runs cross-factionally. Significance: the front-page unity elsewhere is a choice, and the surviving counter-currents mark the edition's factional fault line, the reformist reading of escalation as cost against the mobilizational 'resurrection of a nation' framing; track whether the dissent holds or is absorbed as the nuclear-red-line and revenge frames harden.

Named-Figure Tracker

Figure	Role / relevance	Today's framing	Flag
Mojtaba Khamenei	Supreme Leader ('the Leader of the Revolution' in current coverage)	Reportedly pledges on Hamshahri that the Minab children's killing will be 'closed with revenge' and that Iran will show 'greater sensitivity toward the revenge for the blood of our children'; front-page paraphrase, not a retrieved primary-source text.	NEW NAMED FIGURE: leadership revenge line
Donald Trump	US president	Cast as the driver of the nuclear-strike threat (Javan's 'you are triggering the bomb'), of a failed attrition strategy (Vatan-e Emrooz's 'gradual expulsion,' 'empty gun'), and, via a quoted Senator Murphy, as 'not serious' on nuclear talks.	TARGET FRAMING
Chris Murphy	US Senator, quoted by the government daily Iran	Rendered saying Trump 'isn't serious' about nuclear negotiations and that a US-Saudi nuclear deal would spur proliferation; used as an American-bad-faith witness. Attribution as printed by the outlet.	WATCH: outlet-rendered quote
Richard Falk	International-law expert, Iran Daily 'Interview Exclusive'	Presented arguing that attacks on Iran's civilian infrastructure 'could be crimes against humanity,' mobilizing a legal-accountability frame for the English audience. Outlet-presented interview.	WATCH: outlet-presented
Abdolkarim Soroush	Reformist philosopher,	Profiled under 'Zeal in exile' as defending Iran while judging Islam and liberalism irreconcilable; the reformist	NEW NAMED FIGURE: reformist

Figure	Role / relevance	Today's framing	Flag
	Sazandegi lead profile	counter-current to the war-and-revenge lead.	counter-current
Ahmad Tavakoli	Principlist economist and politician, Farhikhtegan feature	Interviewed as 'the methodologist of within-discourse critique,' signalling internal principlist self-examination beneath the unified revenge frame.	WATCH: internal critique
Ali Khamenei (the martyred predecessor)	Assassinated 28 February 2026	Retained as the «رهبر شهید» / martyr motif on Jam-e Jam's youth-mobilization line; invoked as the revenge object rather than as an active office-holder.	absence noted: martyr motif
Benjamin Netanyahu / Israeli leadership	Israeli government	Absent from the front pages as an active-front actor; Israel appears only as the US budget's beneficiary and as the 'occupied territories' of the retreat and travel-warning items.	absence noted

Headline Summary Table

Outlet	Lead Headline (English)	Orientation	Theme	Threat signal
Etemad	Tehran's Ultimatum	Reformist	Khatam al-Anbia nuclear-strike red line carried on a reformist front; internal cohesion	HIGH: cross-factional nuclear red line
Iran Daily (English)	Armed Forces Warn US Against Ground Invasion, Strikes on Nuclear Sites	State English daily (government)	Nuclear red line and 'crimes against humanity' framing for the international audience; Minab '32 children'	MODERATE-HIGH: deterrent and legal messaging
Hamshahri	This File Will Be Closed With Revenge	Tehran municipality, centrist	Leader's revenge pledge over the Minab children; dual-chokepoint oil surge	HIGH: leadership revenge pledge
Javan	You Are Triggering the Bomb!	Hardline (IRGC-affiliated)	A US nuclear strike framed as self-detonating the crisis; missile-resilience claim	SEVERE: nuclear-threshold deterrence
Kayhan	Iran's Strikes Are Devastating and Pounding	Hardline flagship (Leader's office / IRGC)	Claimed US admission of strike damage; Kuwait-base, Bushehr and Red Sea claims	SEVERE: US-in-defeat and base-strike claims
Jam-e Jam	Torn Pieces of Iran's Body	State broadcaster daily (IRIB)	Minab grief and 'prepare the coffins' threat; Iran-Iraq strategic alignment	HIGH: state-media revenge alignment
Vatan-e Emrooz	Torn Pieces of the South's Body	Hardline / principlist	Minab funerals fused with US exhaustion ('empty gun') and 'double-locked oil'	HIGH: grief plus US-exhaustion frame

Outlet	Lead Headline (English)	Orientation	Theme	Threat signal
Farhikhtegan	We Neither Forgive Nor Forget	Principlist (Azad University)	Enduring revenge slogan; 120-dollar oil via a Saudi 'siege'; internal principlist critique	MODERATE-HIGH: grievance plus oil-shock
Iran	Three US Bases in Kuwait Again Targeted by Army Drone Strikes	Official government daily	Government daily leads on a strike operation; US budget as US-Israel war-funding; nuclear bad-faith	HIGH: gov daily leads on strike op
Sobh-e No	CENTCOM's Digital Eye in Bahrain Went Blind	Principlist	Claimed Bahrain data-node strike; Strait 'under our control' with a tanker afire; Bab al-Mandeb	HIGH: claimed Hormuz closure and cyber strike
Chaharsu	The Market's Kick to the Production Sector	Economic (principlist front)	Domestic capital-market critique above Hormuz-as-guarantor and the Khatam al-Anbia nuclear warning	HIGH: Hormuz-guarantor plus nuclear warning
Ta'adol	The Pulse of Oil in the Chokepoint of Crisis	Economic	Oil-price risk and the war as a 'shadow on the world economy'; domestic inflation	LOW-MODERATE: war-economy risk framing
Sazandegi	Zeal in Exile	Reformist (Kargozaran)	Soroush profile and domestic-vulnerability items; 'war of calculations' cost framing; reformist dissent	LOW: reformist dissent from war frame

Per-Paper Front-Page Analysis

Iran Daily (English)

State English-language daily (government)

"Armed Forces Warn US Against Ground Invasion, Strikes on Nuclear Sites"

MODERATE-HIGH: deterrent and legal messaging to the West



- Main: The lead, 'Armed Forces warn US against ground invasion, strikes on nuclear sites,' is the English-facing statement of the day's cross-title deterrent message, presenting the Khatam al-Anbia nuclear red line and a ground-invasion warning to an international audience in the government's own voice.
- Kicker: A top-corner box, 'Minab buries remains of 32 children killed in US school carnage,' carries the child-casualty grievance into English, corroborating the 32-martyr funeral figure that the Persian titles print and framing the strike as an atrocity for foreign readers.
- Main: An 'Interview Exclusive' billed 'Attacks on Iran's civilian infrastructure could be crimes against humanity,' attributed to an international-law expert the paper identifies as Richard Falk, mobilizing a legal-accountability argument against US strikes (outlet interview; attribution as printed).
- Sub-item: 'Government approves measures to ease power restrictions on industries,' a domestic-resilience story showing normal governance continuing under wartime strain.
- Op-ed: A second 'Interview Exclusive,' 'Influential Shia figures offer Iran best bet against Kurdish separatists,' discusses the Kurdish region, the Tehran-Washington ceasefire framework and Islamic Republic forces, a rare Kurdish-front and internal-security angle on the English page.
- Right rail: Soft-power fillers, Iranian swimmers taking nine medals and Hormozgan women preserving a centuries-old embroidery art, round out the government daily's measured English presentation.

ANALYST NOTE Iran Daily is the regime's message to the outside world, and today it leads with deterrence and legality rather than triumph: the armed-forces warning against a nuclear strike and the 'crimes against humanity' framing of civilian-infrastructure attacks are pitched to shape international opinion and deter a US escalation, while the English rendering of the '32 children' funeral internationalizes the grievance. Notably absent is the Persian pages' revenge (انتقام) vocabulary, the English channel stays legal-defensive; the Kurdish-separatist interview is the day's distinct internal-security signal. Treat the Falk interview and the ceasefire-framework references as outlet-presented.

«نه می بخشیم نه فراموش می کنیم» "We Neither Forgive Nor Forget"



- Main: An overhead photograph of a mass burial runs under 'We neither forgive nor forget' (نه می بخشیم نه فراموش می کنیم), the Minab child-martyr funeral turned into a durable-grievance slogan; the strapline frames Iranian society's response to the strike in terms of perpetrators, enablers and the silent.
- Main: 'The siege of Saudi Arabia begins; is 120-dollar oil on the way?' (شروع محاصره عربستان: نفت ۱۲۰ دلاری در راه است؟), pushing the oil-shock projection higher than the 100-dollar figure elsewhere and naming a Yemen-led blockade of Saudi shipping as the mechanism (economic projection, attributed).
- Op-ed: An extended interview with principlist economist and politician Ahmad Tavakoli, billed as 'the methodologist of within-discourse critique' (احمد توکلی، متدولوژیست نقد درون گفتمانی), signalling an internal principlist self-examination alongside the war lead.
- Kicker: A top-corner item, 'There is simply no trace of Makan' (از ماکان اثری نیست که نیست), personalizes the missing-child grief that Jam-e Jam also carries.
- Sub-item: 'The demand comes from the field' (مطالبه گری می آید) and a research-funding line ('6.28' funds still inactive), keeping a domestic policy-critique register on the page.
- Right rail: A portrait-led feature accompanies the Tavakoli interview, positioning the paper as principlist but reflective rather than purely triumphalist.

ANALYST NOTE Farhikhtegan fuses the revenge frame ('neither forgive nor forget') with the coercion frame (the highest oil-price projection on any front page, 120 dollars, tied to a Saudi blockade), showing the two dominant threads reinforcing each other on a single principlist page. The Tavakoli 'within-discourse critique' feature is the notable counter-current: an invitation to internal principlist self-scrutiny amid the war mobilization, worth tracking as a marker of elite debate beneath the unified revenge line. Oil-price and blockade figures are outlet projections.

«این پرونده با انتقام بسته می‌شود» "This File Will Be Closed With Revenge"



- Main: Over a photograph of a woman keening as she cradles a small shrouded body, the banner reads 'This file will be closed with revenge' (این پرونده با انتقام بسته می‌شود). The strapline attributes to the Leader of the Revolution (رهبر انقلاب, in current coverage Mojtaba Khamenei) the line that 'we will show greater sensitivity toward revenge for the blood of our children' (نسبت به انتقام خون کودکانمان حساسیت بیشتری خواهیم داشت), elevating the Minab child-casualty grievance to a leadership revenge pledge.
- Main: 'A surge in oil with the closure of 2 chokepoints' (جیش نفت با بسته شدن ۲ گلوگاه), asking how oil reaches the 100-dollar mark as Hormuz and Bab al-Mandeb are fused into a dual-lock on global energy passage (economic projection, attributed).
- Right rail: '96-percent progress in the reconstruction of units' (پیشرفت ۹۶ درصدی بازسازی واحدها), reporting a claimed 51,724 damaged residential units in Tehran being rebuilt, keeping the war's domestic cost and recovery on the municipal page.
- Banner: A bottom montage 'The losers in Congress' (بازنده‌ها در کنگره) reads the US Senate's war debate as internal American defeat, with framed captions on Trump and senators disputing the campaign against Iran.
- Sub-item: The revenge pledge and the reconstruction figure are juxtaposed so that grief, retaliation and recovery sit on one page, the municipal daily aligning to the national revenge frame while foregrounding Tehran's own war damage.

ANALYST NOTE The single most consequential line on Hamshahri is the reported leadership statement: a centrist, municipality-owned daily carrying the Leader's revenge pledge over a child's shroud is evidence the revenge (انتقام / خونخواهی) register is being set from the top and echoed across factions, not confined to the hardline press. It hardens the Minab grievance into a stated leadership commitment; the '2 chokepoints to 100-dollar oil' line ties the revenge frame to the standing Hormuz-plus-Bab al-Mandeb coercion thread. Treat the attributed leadership quote as a front-page rendering pending primary-source confirmation.

«کلنگ بمب را می‌زنید!» "You Are Triggering the Bomb!"



- Main: A full-page yellow front carries a mushroom cloud rendered from radiation symbols under the banner 'You are triggering the bomb!' (کلنگ بمب را می‌زنید), literally 'you are breaking ground on the bomb'. The strapline says Trump, by claiming he will target Iran's new nuclear facilities and threatening 'ground-troop' escalation, has failed to reach his aims, and that Iran retains varied options to answer and shift the deterrence equation, an argument that a US strike on nuclear sites would itself detonate the crisis.
- Op-ed: 'Iran's answer inside America's groundbreaking' (پاسخ ایران در دل کلنگ‌زنی امریکا), turning the US 'groundbreaking' metaphor back on Washington and casting any nuclear strike as self-defeating.
- Sub-item: 'The field predicament dragged Washington into threat and negotiation' (مخمصه میدانی واشنگتن را به یاری تهدید و مذاکره کشاند), the standard hardline read that US diplomacy signals battlefield weakness, not goodwill.
- Sub-item: 'Missile production did not stop even in the heart of the war' (تولید موشک حتی در دل جنگ متوقف نشد), beside an IRGC commander portrait, asserting sustained missile output as proof of resilience; a companion line, 'the Guards will make joblessness general in America.'
- Right rail: 'America's worry about the expansion of a new front in the red battle' (نگرانی امریکا از گسترش جبهه جدید در نبرد سرخ), keeping the Yemen and multi-front escalation thread visible.
- Kicker: 'This grief has no end' (پایان ندارد این داغ), a Minab child-casualty image folded into the deterrence page.

ANALYST NOTE Javan converts a US threat into an Iranian deterrent narrative: the visual argument is that a strike on Iran's nuclear sites is the trigger the aggressor should fear, not a punishment Iran should fear. As an IRGC-affiliated title, its 'varied options to shift the equation' language is the operational voice behind the cross-title Khatam al-Anbia nuclear red line; the 'missile production never stopped' claim is outlet-sourced resilience messaging, not verified capacity. Read the page as narrative preparation of the nuclear threshold rather than notice of a specific new capability.

«پاره‌های تن جنوب» «Torn Pieces of the South's Body»



- Main: An aerial photograph of Iranian-flag-draped coffins ringing an open grave runs under 'Torn pieces of the south's body' (پاره‌های تن جنوب). The caption reports the funeral procession for 32 martyrs of the Shajareh Tayyibeh school in Minab held with wide public attendance, keeping the child-casualty grievance as the emotional lead.
- Right rail: A 'Today's market' box over a satellite image of the Gulf reads 'World oil double-locked' (نفت جهان دوقفل شد), the two-chokepoint (Hormuz + Bab al-Mandeb) closure thread rendered as an energy-market fact.
- Right rail: 'Cleansing the region of America's presence' (پاکسازی منطقه از حضور آمریکا) and 'Europe besieged by doubts' (اروپا در محاصره تردیدها), extending the US-in-retreat and Western-disunity frames.
- Op-ed: 'Resurrection of a nation' (رستاخیز یک ملت), the paper's signed editorial casting the war moment as national revival.
- Sub-item (per outlet channel): 'Gradual Expulsion' argues Trump's attrition strategy against Iran has failed; 'Trump's empty gun' (تفنگ خالی ترامپ) collates US-media reports of depleted air-defense and long-range-missile stocks and logistics limits, asserting 'America lacks sufficient weapons for a prolonged war'; 'We will fight if we must fight' pairs readiness with the line that negotiations are judged by deeds, not words.
- Banner: 'Politics against football' revisits the Ferdosipour national-team controversy, distinguishing 'legitimate criticism' from 'denigration' and noting Iran finished the 2026 tournament undefeated, the domestic-control sports thread carried into the hardline register.

ANALYST NOTE Vatan pairs the Minab grief lead with a US-exhaustion argument ('empty gun,' 'gradual expulsion') to build one message: America is both cruel and spent, so escalation favors Iran. The 'Trump's empty gun' collage of US-media clippings is outlet-curated illustration of adversary weakness, not an independent order-of-battle assessment, and the 'double-locked oil' box states a coercion aspiration as a market outcome. The paper's carry of the football-censorship line into a hardline frame shows the domestic-control thread is now cross-factional. Read as narrative management timed to the revenge and nuclear-red-line lead.

«پاره‌های تن ایران» "Torn Pieces of Iran's Body"



- Main: 'Torn pieces of Iran's body' (پاره‌های تن ایران) runs over the Minab coffins, with a portrait of one child martyr and the line 'Everyone was there except Makan' (همه بودند جز ماکان), personalizing the school-strike loss; a companion caption 'Prepare the coffins' (تابوت‌ها را آماده کنید) relays an armed-forces threat that any US action will be answered.
- Right rail: 'Iran and Iraq: from brotherhood to strategic cooperation' (ایران و عراق از برادری تا همکاری راهبردی), reporting on expanding Tehran-Baghdad ties and a foreign-ministry track, the one distinct diplomatic-alignment story of the day.
- Sub-item: 'Trump's pickpocketing' (جیب‌بری ترامپ), putting the cost of the war with America at a claimed 31 billion dollars, a US-cost-of-war frame.
- Sub-item: 'An earthquake in the Senate with the Minab photos' (زلزله در سنا), asserting the child-casualty images were shown in the US Senate and shook the war debate, tying the grievance to US domestic politics.
- Op-ed: 'Social cohesion instead of social mass' (انسجام اجتماعی به جای انبوه اجتماعی), a state-media reflection on wartime unity.
- Right rail: 'The national media on the front line of the south' (رسانه ملی در خط مقدم جنوب), IRIB positioning itself as a war participant, and a youth-mobilization line around 'the farewell of the martyred Leader' (بدرقه رهبر), the martyred-predecessor motif retained.

ANALYST NOTE As the broadcaster's paper, Jam-e Jam's convergence with the hardline titles on the Minab grief lead and the 'prepare the coffins' threat is the clearest sign the child-casualty-and-revenge frame is the centrally-set line of the day. Its 'earthquake in the Senate' claim recycles the grievance into an argument about US domestic fracture; the Iran-Iraq 'strategic cooperation' item is the day's notable regional-alignment signal, worth tracking against the otherwise US-and-chokepoint-dominated page. The 31-billion war-cost figure is an outlet claim.

«غیرت در غربت» "Zeal in Exile"



- Main: A portrait of the reformist philosopher Abdolkarim Soroush runs under 'Zeal in exile' (غیرت در غربت); the strapline notes that over the past year Soroush, while sharply criticizing the monarchists (سلطنت‌طلبان), has fully defended Iran and its homeland-defenders, and in his latest lecture judged the reconciliation of Islam and liberalism to be impossible, an intellectual feature standing apart from the war-and-revenge leads dominating other fronts.
- Kicker: 'The fall of Mashhad?' (سقوط مشهد؟) flags reporting on political-security anxieties around the city, a distinctly reformist-critical angle.
- Kicker: 'Threat to the capital's infrastructure!' (تهدید زیرساخت‌های پایتخت), foregrounding vulnerability and war cost rather than triumph.
- Op-ed: 'The war of calculations and the trap of loss' (جنگ محاسبات و دام ضرر), a signed column framing the confrontation as a cost-benefit problem to be managed, not a victory to be celebrated.
- Sub-item: Small top items retain the paper's cultural-liberal register ('eternal dignity,' 'sweetness of truth'), keeping Sazandegi's voice non-mobilizational.
- Right rail: The Soroush profile crowds out war coverage from the lead, the reformist page choosing an argument about ideas and identity over the day's grievance-and-deterrence frame.

ANALYST NOTE Sazandegi is again the day's clearest dissent from the unified war register: it leads not on Minab or the nuclear red line but on Soroush and on domestic vulnerability ('fall of Mashhad,' 'threat to the capital's infrastructure'), reading the moment as danger and cost rather than triumph. The 'war of calculations' editorial extends the reformist argument that escalation must be measured against loss. Its refusal of the grievance lead is a first-class finding: the front-page unity elsewhere is a choice, and one reformist title is visibly opting out.

«پشت پای بورس به بخش تولید» "The Market's Kick to the Production Sector"



- Main: A bar chart falling from 21 to 19 to 14 percent across 1402-1404 anchors the lead 'The stock market's kick to the production sector' (پشت پای بورس به بخش تولید), reporting a slide in the capital market's share of financing national production; the paper names an official it holds responsible for the securities-organization period, a domestic-economy accountability lead rather than a war lead.
- Right rail: 'The Strait of Hormuz is the guarantor of Iran's victory over the enemy' (تنگه هرمز ضامن پیروزی ایران در برابر دشمن است), over a hand pointing at a map of the Strait, continuing the standing Hormuz-as-coercion thread this title has pushed hardest.
- Sub-item: 'The Minab wound reopened' (داغ میناب تازه شد), the school-martyr funeral carried with a resistance-schools framing ('the school of the martyrs of resistance').
- Banner: 'The Khatam al-Anbia Base warns criminal America over an attack on Iran's nuclear centers' (هشدار قرارگاه خاتم الانبیا به آمریکای جنایتکار در مورد), over an air-defense missile launcher, aligning the economic-principlist front with the day's cross-title nuclear red line.
- Right rail: The Hormuz-guarantor and nuclear-warning items sit together, framing the Strait and the nuclear threshold as twin pillars of deterrence on a page whose lead is domestic economics.

ANALYST NOTE Chaharsu keeps its dual identity: a genuine domestic-economy lead (capital-market financing decline) above a principlist security column that carries the day's two escalation threads, the Hormuz 'guarantor of victory' line and the Khatam al-Anbia nuclear-strike warning. Where on Day 141 this title printed an explicit 'keep the Strait closed 60 more days' demand, today it recodes Hormuz as strategic guarantor rather than a fresh closure ultimatum, a slight softening of the operational ask worth tracking. The nuclear-warning banner confirms the red line is running on the economic-principlist front too.

«نبض نفت در گلوگاه بحران!» "The Pulse of Oil in the Chokepoint of Crisis"



- Main: 'The pulse of oil in the chokepoint of crisis!' (نبض نفت در گلوگاه بحران), the paper's own reporting on the oil-price outlook, translating the Hormuz-and-Bab al-Mandeb closure threat into a market-risk story rather than a triumph claim.
- Sub-item: 'When the rent ceiling stays on paper' (وقتی سقف اجاره روی کاغذ می ماند), a housing-cost item over a city skyline, reporting rents rising well past the official ceiling, the domestic cost-of-living register.
- Right rail: 'How much did the picture of the world change by the end of 2026?' with the strapline 'The Iran-America war: a shadow that has not left the world economy' (جنگ ایران و آمریکا: سایه‌ای که از اقتصاد جهان کنار نرفته است), reading the conflict as a persistent global-economic drag.
- Sub-item: 'The bourse under the pressure of systemic risks' (بورس زیر فشار) (ریسک‌های سیستماتیک) and 'new resolutions ease the foreign-currency-repatriation obligation,' keeping market-plumbing stories in view.
- Right rail: 'An impossible mission: removing zeros from the national currency,' the long-running redenomination question carried alongside the war-economy lead.
- Banner: 'The blight that has hollowed out Iranian football from within,' the paper's take on the football-governance controversy in an economic frame.

ANALYST NOTE Ta'adol is the sober economic counterweight to the hardline chokepoint triumphalism: it treats the same Hormuz-and-oil story as a crisis and a 'shadow on the world economy' rather than a 'winning card,' and foregrounds domestic inflation (rents, systemic bourse risk) as the war's real cost at home. Its restraint is itself a signal: the escalation frame is not universal, and the business press is pricing the chokepoint threat as risk, not victory. Track whether this measured register survives if oil actually spikes toward the 100-120-dollar projections other titles advertise.

«اتمام حجت تهران» "Tehran's Ultimatum"



- Main: The banner reads 'Tehran's ultimatum' (اتمام حجت تهران), with the strapline that Etemad is reporting on 'Iran's resilience and the rising costs of the war for America.' The lead relays a Khatam al-Anbia Central Base warning that any attack on Iran's nuclear and sensitive centers will be treated as an expansion of the war (توسعه جنگ), placing US interests, allies and their security under Iranian armed-forces assault (attributed military claim, not verified fact).
- Right rail: 'An internal rift is an invitation for enemies' (شکاف داخلی دعوتنامه), framed around an interview the paper conducts with Abolfazl Abutorabi; the reformist page turns the war moment into an argument against domestic factional fracture rather than triumphalism.
- Sub-item: 'Trump playing with fire' (بازی ترامپ با آتش), tying the nuclear-strike threat to the US president personally and casting escalation as reckless rather than as Iranian victory.
- Right rail: Domestic-economy grievance kept in view, 'The gradual elimination of the middle class from the car market' (حذف تدریجی طبقه متوسط) and a piece on a 140-billion public-opinion 'bonus' (متوسط از بازار خودرو) and legal loopholes.
- Op-ed: 'Let us stay in control of our own tools' (برای ابزارهای خود مسلط), an artificial-intelligence-and-employment reflection, signalling the reformist page keeps a non-war register alongside the lead.
- Sub-item: Large photo of the Minab funeral captioned that the burial covered 32 martyrs, with 62 sets of remains still to be identified (خاکسپاری), anchoring the war lead to the domestic child-casualty grievance.

ANALYST NOTE Etemad's placement of the Khatam al-Anbia nuclear-red-line warning at the top of a reformist front is significant: the deterrent message is running cross-factionally, not just on the hardline titles, which indicates centrally-guided message discipline on the nuclear threshold rather than factional enthusiasm. The paper still hedges the frame reformist-style ('Trump playing with fire,' the internal-rift warning), reading escalation as danger to manage, not a win to celebrate; track the internal-rift line as the reformist counter to the hardline revenge register.

«سه پایگاه آمریکا در کویت هدف مجدد "Three US Bases in Kuwait Again Targeted by Army Drone Strikes" حملات پهپادی ارتش قرار گرفت»

- Main (via channel): The government daily leads on the military operation rather than the diplomacy track, 'Three US bases in Kuwait again targeted by army drone strikes' (سه پایگاه آمریکا در کویت هدف), reporting 'Operation Saaeqeh Phase 23' against ammunition, fuel and logistics at bases the outlet names Al-Dhafra, Ali al-Salem and Arifjan (attacker-sourced; base names vary across titles).
- Sub-item (via channel): 'A record 1.15-trillion-dollar US military budget,' framed as accelerating US-Israel military-technological cooperation and funding the 'imposed war' on Iran, the day's clearest linkage of Washington to Israel.
- Sub-item (via channel): The Guards' address to the populations of Kuwait and Jordan, arguing that 'it is America that has violated your sovereignty, not us,' justifying base strikes as lawful response.
- Sub-item (via channel): A British government upgrade of travel warnings to the 'occupied territories,' cautioning citizens over possible airspace closures and transport disruption, recycled as evidence of regional alarm.
- Sub-item (via channel): US Senator Chris Murphy is quoted saying Trump 'isn't serious' about nuclear negotiations and warning a US-Saudi nuclear deal would spur regional proliferation (attribution as rendered by the outlet).

ANALYST NOTE That the official government daily leads on a strike operation, not on the mediation track it foregrounded in the prior cycle, is itself the signal: the diplomacy-first framing of Day 141 has receded, and the state paper is now aligning to the military-and-revenge register. Its 1.15-trillion US-budget item is the day's principal Israel linkage (funding US-Israel cooperation), and the Murphy quote is used to argue US bad faith on the nuclear track. Base names again differ from the wires and Kayhan; treat the Saaeqeh Phase 23 claim as attacker-sourced and the quoted US-politician lines as outlet-rendered.

«حملات ایران ویران‌کننده و کوبنده است» *"Iran's Strikes Are Devastating and Pounding"*

- Main (via channel): The lead frames a claimed US official admission that Iran's strikes have inflicted serious damage on US forces, headlined 'Iran's attacks are devastating and pounding' (حملات ایران ویران‌کننده و کوبنده است). The specific attribution to a named US figure could not be independently confirmed and is logged as an outlet claim, not verified fact.
- Sub-item (via channel): Reports that three US facilities in Kuwait, named as Al-Doha, Ali al-Salem and Arifjan, were struck by drones 'in response to continued American aggression' (attacker-sourced; base identities vary across outlets and remain unconfirmed).
- Sub-item (via channel): Claims of two missile strikes on Bushehr port early in the morning, with officials asserting no casualties or infrastructure damage, and reports of explosions heard in the Jask area.
- Sub-item (via channel): A US congressional figure is quoted criticizing the Pentagon's lack of transparency over casualties from the Iranian strikes, recycled as evidence of American disarray.
- Sub-item (via channel): A claim that a Saudi ship in the Red Sea was hit and set afire, tying the Kayhan page to the Yemen-Bab al-Mandeb blockade thread.
- Sub-item (via channel): The Minab reburial of the school martyrs is carried, aligning the flagship with the day's grievance-and-revenge lead.

ANALYST NOTE Kayhan, the Leader's-office flagship, drives the 'America admits it is being pounded' line that anchors the day's US-in-defeat register, and its Kuwait-base, Bushehr, Jask and Red Sea claims are the operational branding behind the wider strike narrative. The internal inconsistency in base names across Kayhan and the wires (a recurring feature of this campaign) is itself the caution against reproducing any single strike claim as fact. The paper's own 'Yadasht-e Rooz' editorial could not be cleanly retrieved from the channel at compile time and is noted as a gap. Read the page as message discipline, not battle reporting.

«چشم دیجیتال سنتکام در بحرین کور شد» "CENTCOM's Digital Eye in Bahrain Went Blind"

- Main (via channel): The lead, 'CENTCOM's digital eye in Bahrain went blind' (چشم دیجیتال سنتکام در بحرین کور شد), claims Iranian armed forces struck a US military data node in Bahrain, branded 'Operation Nasr 2, Wave 24,' described as a key hub for US military information exchange (attacker-sourced claim; not verified).
- Sub-item (via channel): On Hormuz, the report asserts the Guards have closed the Strait and that of three tankers attempting passage one caught fire and two turned back, with the line 'the Strait of Hormuz remains under our control,' the standing chokepoint-coercion thread stated as an operational fact by the outlet.
- Sub-item (via channel): A claim that US embassies in the 'occupied territories' and Jordan issued security alerts urging citizens to avoid large gatherings, recycled as evidence of American vulnerability.
- Sub-item (via channel): An IRGC aerospace warning that interference with Iran's bridges and power plants would bring 'a blackout for the allies,' and a Central Command line that any US military action triggers strikes on regional infrastructure.
- Sub-item (via channel): On the Red Sea, four tankers reportedly changed course and two diverted to the Suez Canal after Yemeni warnings against Saudi ports, extending the Bab al-Mandeb blockade thread.

ANALYST NOTE Sobh-e No supplies the day's most specific chokepoint and cyber-branding claims: the 'CENTCOM digital eye blinded' operation and the 'Strait under our control, one tanker afire' assertion together push the dual-front (Hormuz + Bab al-Mandeb) coercion narrative from aspiration toward claimed execution. Every element here (the Bahrain data-node strike, the tanker interdictions, the blackout threat) is attacker-sourced and unconfirmed, and the tanker-fire claim in particular should not be reproduced as fact without primary-source corroboration. The page is the operational-claims front end of the principlist escalation register.

A. The Leader's Message on the Minab Children (reconstructed from the front-page rendering)

Rendered on Hamshahri, 1 Mordad 1405 (23 July 2026), attributed to the Leader of the Revolution (in current coverage, Mojtaba Khamenei). Reconstructed from the front-page text; not retrieved as a verbatim primary-source statement.

As printed across the top of Hamshahri, over a photograph of a mother cradling a small shrouded body: 'This file will be closed with revenge.' The strapline attributes to the Leader of the Revolution the line that 'we will show greater sensitivity toward the revenge for the blood of our children' (نسبت به انتقام خون کودکانمان) (حساسیت بیشتری خواهیم داشت).

The rendering binds the leadership register to the Minab school strike specifically: the killing of the children is not treated as a past grievance to be mourned but as an open account (پرونده, 'file' or 'case') whose closure is defined as retaliation. The vocabulary is the revenge lexicon (انتقام / خونخواهی) carried through this monitor's prior editions, now voiced from the top rather than by the hardline commentariat.

Analyst flag: This is a front-page paraphrase, not a retrieved khamenei.ir text, and is judged on the consistency of its rendering across the day's titles (Hamshahri's leadership pledge, Jam-e Jam's 'prepare the coffins,' Farhikhtegan's 'we neither forgive nor forget') rather than on a primary source. It should not be quoted as a verbatim leadership statement without primary-source confirmation. Note the standing-context caveat: 'the Leader' in current coverage is Mojtaba Khamenei; the martyred predecessor Ali Khamenei is referenced separately as «رهبر شهید».

B. The Day's Flagged Editorial: 'Resurrection of a Nation' (Vatan-e Emrooz, summary rendering)

Vatan-e Emrooz lead editorial 'رستاخیز یک ملت' ('Resurrection of a Nation'), 1 Mordad 1405 (23 July 2026). Characterized from the front-page and channel rendering; the full verbatim text and byline could not be retrieved at compile time, so this is a summary, not a line-by-line translation.

The editorial casts the war moment as a national revival: the funeral of the Minab schoolchildren and the wider mobilization are read not as loss but as the rebirth of a unified nation under fire, with public turnout at the burials offered as the evidence of that unity.

It fuses the grief lead with the escalation frame the rest of the page carries: America is presented as both perpetrator of the child deaths and a spent power in 'gradual expulsion' from the region, so that mourning and triumph are made to reinforce one another rather than compete.

Analyst flag: The 'resurrection' framing is the mobilizational counterpart to the reformist Sazandegi's 'war of calculations and the trap of loss,' which reads the same moment as a cost to be measured. The two editorials mark the edition's factional fault line. Because the verbatim text and author could not be confirmed from the retrieved material, the piece is summarized and its byline is left unattributed rather than guessed; it should not be quoted as verbatim. Source line: Vatan-e Emrooz, 1 Mordad 1405.

C. Methodology and Sourcing Notes

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Coverage: nine Persian front-page scans (Farhikhtegan, Hamshahri, Javan, Vatan-e Emrooz, Jam-e Jam, Sazandegi, Chaharsu, Ta'adol, Etemad) from the NewspaperTasnim batch for 1 Mordad 1405, read directly by vision; one English print scan (Iran Daily) read by vision; and three text-only titles read from their public channels (Kayhan, Sobh-e No, the government daily Iran). The batch's printed Jalali date matched the target date, so the stale-batch guard did not trip.

Agency wires (Fars News, Nour News, Defa Press) were used for corroboration and threat-signaling context only, not as front pages, and their operational claims are labeled as claims. Tehran Times was unavailable at the time of compilation and is not cited.

Attribution firewall: all Iranian military and battle-damage claims (Operation Saaeqeh Phase 23 against Kuwait bases; Operation Nasr 2 Wave 24 against a Bahrain data node; the claimed Hormuz tanker interdictions; the claimed US admission of strike damage on Kayhan; casualty figures) are attacker-sourced and unverified, and several are internally inconsistent across titles: the Kuwait bases are named Al-Doha/Al-Dhafra, Ali al-Salem and Arifjan variously across Kayhan, Fars, Nour News, Defa Press and the government daily Iran, and the Minab casualty figure appears as 32 at the funeral (cross-confirmed on Iran Daily's English page) but as 168 total in agency messaging. None should be reproduced as fact without primary-source confirmation.

Named-figure caveats: the US-official 'admission' on Kayhan is not attributed to a confirmable individual and is treated as an outlet claim; the Chris Murphy and Richard Falk lines are rendered as printed by the outlets (the government daily Iran and Iran Daily respectively) and flagged as outlet-presented; the IRGC aerospace and Central Command spokesmen are cited by role rather than by an unverified personal name.

Succession evidence: this monitor's standing identification (Ali Khamenei assassinated 28 February 2026; his son Mojtaba Khamenei now Supreme Leader) is applied to all 'Leader of the Revolution' references. Today's leadership revenge pledge is a front-page paraphrase, not a primary-source text, and is flagged accordingly in Appendix A.

Translations are editorial. Persian headlines are retained in original script beside the English; loaded register terms (انتقام / revenge, غیرت / zeal, گلوگاه / chokepoint, توسعه جنگ / expansion of the war) are glossed inline where they carry the framing.

Open-source material only. All translations from Persian/Arabic originals. Iranian claims are labelled as claims. Prepared for analysis and early warning; hostile content is documented for defensive assessment only, not endorsed.