

Republicans seeking US war on Iran: Analyst

Hawkish Republicans in the United States are against the conclusion of Iran nuclear talks because they are after a military strike against the country, says a political commentator.

“Most of the right-wing Republicans say this [agreement] is terrible, this is a disaster. The only thing that will satisfy them is total disarmament of Iran or an American attack that would incredibly disrupt the world economy, put it in recession, disrupt the oil trade and also would lead to many many problems,” Edward Corrigan told Press TV.



Corrigan also said on Thursday Muslim Americans in the United States must take steps to form strong lobby groups to offset the influence of pro-Israel advocates on US foreign policy that wanted to block the recent agreement.

“The difficulty is the pro-Israel lobby has a massive amount of impact on the American political system and have a huge amount of money, they’re very organized, they’re highly motivated and there’s nothing that counterbalances that,” he said.

“And it goes to the weakness of the pro-Arab lobby or pro-Muslim lobby or a pro-Palestinian lobby in the United States,” Corrigan said. “They have little or no impact on the American political system.”

Analysts say the Muslim and Arab lobby in the US have faced not only a disadvantage in electoral politics but also in organization. Many of these groups are one man operations with little financial or popular support.

Unlike Jewish Americans and Christian Zionists who actively work to steer US foreign policy in a pro-Israel direction, Arab Americans face a problem of motivation and do not feel the need to support their cause in active, organized ways.

Corrigan said the Zionist lobby as well as Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu have put tremendous pressure on the Obama administration to reject the nuclear accord with Iran.

Netanyahu has condemned the Iran nuclear agreement, saying Tel Aviv is not bound with US policies.

On Wednesday, Undersecretary of State for Political Affairs Wendy Sherman said the White House is ready to discuss additional security assistance to Israel.

Sherman told the Senate Banking Committee that Defense Secretary Ashton Carter recently visited Israel to discuss the issue.

She said Washington is prepared to discuss further measures to enhance Israel’s security.