



US Secretary of State Hillary Clinton (L) and Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov (R) take their seats at a press conference after talks in Moscow yesterday. The United States has absolutely no intention of pressing for fresh sanctions right now against Iran over its nuclear programme, Hillary said after talks in Moscow.

Interpol seeks visa-free travel for its cops

AP, Singapore

The global police organisation Interpol began issuing special passports yesterday to its senior investigators, aimed at allowing them to enter any of the group's 188 member countries without visas.

Pakistan and Ukraine become the first countries to accept the new documents and three more will follow soon, Interpol Secretary-General Ronald K Noble said during the organisation's general assembly here.

He said he is sure the remaining member countries will also honour these passports.

"We don't come to a country unless we are asked to go. If we are asked to go in an emergency, you want us to go as fast as possible," he told The Associated Press.

Brown forced to repay \$19,000 expense

AP, London

In the latest blow to Gordon Brown's beleaguered leadership, the British prime minister is being forced to repay over 12,000 pounds (\$19,000) in disputed claims following an audit into how British lawmakers spent public money.

Dozens of lawmakers received letters Monday from Thomas Legg who Brown appointed to audit expense claims asking them to repay the money or offer further explanations for why

they claimed it. Legg was chosen to audit the spending rules in an effort to quell public outrage over lawmakers' greed for taxpayer funds.

Christopher Kelly, who chairs the government's Committee on Standards in Public Life, is due to present a new rules on expenses later this year.

Brown's office confirmed Monday that he will pay back some money claimed for a maid and for decorating, but said Legg had told Brown he had not broken any rules.

Taliban better bankrolled than al-Qaeda

Says US Treasury official

ANI, Washington

A senior official of the US Treasury Department has claimed that the Taliban is better bankrolled than al-Qaeda and relies on a wide range of criminal activities to pay for attacks on US and coalition forces in Afghanistan.

Assistant Secretary for Terrorist Financing David Cohen claimed that the Taliban extorts money from poppy farmers and heroin traffickers involved in Afghanistan's booming drug trade. It also demands protection payments from legitimate Afghan businesses.

Cohen's assessment at a conference on money laundering enforcement came as President Barack Obama and his top advisers discuss whether many more troops may be needed in the eight-year-old Afghanistan conflict, CBS reports.

According to Cohen, al-Qaeda is a cash-strapped organisation that is losing its clout.

COMILLA PALLI BIDYUT SAMITY-2 Uttar Rampur, Bishwa Road, Comilla.

Invitation for Tender

1	Procuring Entity Name	Comilla Palli Bidyut Samity-2. (On behalf of Chittagong PBS-1, Chittagong PBS-3, Comilla PBS-1, Comilla PBS-2, Feni PBS, Noakhali PBS, Laxmipur PBS, Chandpur PBS, Cox's Bazar PBS)		
2	Procuring Entity District	Comilla.		
3	Invitation for	Electrical line Materials for Deposit Work.		
4	Invitation Ref. No.	MemoNo /COMPBS-2/300.07/2009/ 3869, Date: 08 / 10 / 2009		
5	Procurement Method	Open Tendering Method / NCT		
6	Budget and Source of Funds	PBS's Own Fund.		
7	Tender Package No.	0910-COMPBS-2 DV-01, 0910-COMPBS-2 DV-02.		
8	Tender Publication Date	14 /10 /2009		
9	Tender Last Selling Date & Time	11/11 /2009 Up to 2:00 PM		
10	Tender Receiving & Closing Date and Time	12/11 /2009	Date	12:00 Noon (Radio Bangladesh time)
11	Tender Opening Date and Time	12/11 /2009		12.30 PM
12	Name & Address of the office(s)	Address		
- Selling Tender Document		1) Director, PBS Development & Operation (Central) Directorate, Rural Electrification Board (8 th floor), Nikunja-2, Dhaka-1229, Bangladesh. 2) General Manager, Comilla PBS-2, Uttar Rampur, Bishwa Road, Comilla.		
- Receiving Tender Document		1) REB Auditorium, Rural Electrification Board (1 st floor), Head Office Building, Nikunja-2, Dhaka-1229, Bangladesh.		
Opening Tender Document		REB Auditorium, Rural Electrification Board (1 st floor), Head Office Building, Nikunja-2, Dhaka-1229, Bangladesh.		
13	Eligibility of Tenderer	Bangladeshi Manufacturer/Supplier		
14	Price of Tender Document (Each)	Tk. 3000.00		
15	Brief Description of Goods			
Tender Package No.	Sub-Package No.	For the material of	Tender Security Amount (TK)	Delivery Period & place
0910-COMPBS-2, DV-01	DW-01	Conductor (Bare)	44,500.00	
	DW-02	Conductor (Covered)	4,05,000.00	
	DW-03	Distribution Transformer (G-5, G-6, G-7 & G-16)	19,53,000.00	As-per delivery Schedule
0910-COMPBS-2, DV-02	DW-04	Equipment Transformer (G-12 & G-15)	1,06,000.00	
	DW-05	Distribution Transformer (G-4, G-17 & G-21)	12,68,000.00	
	DW-06	Single Phase Meter	5,19,000.00	
16	Regarding Tender Document	The Tender Document may be purchased by the interested tenderers on the submission of a written application to the addresses as mentioned in serial No.12 and upon payment of a non refundable fee Tk. 3000.00. The method of payment will be by Pay order / Bank draft in favour of General Manager, Comilla PBS-2. No Tender will be sent by Courier or mail. One tender document cannot be used for submission of tender proposal(s) by more than one tenderer. One tenderer, however, may submit tenders against any number of Sub-packages included in the tender document by purchasing only one copy of the tender document.		
17	Mode of payment	Payment will be made by Comilla PBS-2 directly to the supplier in Bangladeshi Taka.		
18	Delivery Period	Delivery period shall begin from the date of signing of contract		
19	Special Instructions	The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders.		

Threats of sanctions on Iran won't work

Russian FM tells Hillary

AP, Moscow

Threatening Iran with more sanctions would be counterproductive, Russia's foreign minister declared yesterday, resisting efforts by US Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton to win agreement for tougher measures if Iran fails to prove its nuclear programme is peaceful.

Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov spoke as Clinton visited Moscow, her first trip since becoming America's top diplomat, in an effort to gauge Moscow's willingness to join the US in imposing sanctions.

Lavrov said Russia's position is that under current conditions even the threat of sanctions against Iran would be counterproductive.

Hillary said the US agreed it was important to pursue diplomacy with Iran.

"The same time that we are very vigorously pursuing this track, we are aware that we might not be as successful as we need to be, so we have always looked at the potential of sanctions in the event we are not successful and cannot assure ourselves and others that Iran has decided not to pursue nuclear weapons," she said at a joint news conference.

Iran insists it has the right to a full domestic nuclear enrichment programme and maintains it is only for peaceful purposes, such as energy production.

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"We want to ensure that every question that the Russian military or Russian government asks is answered," she said, calling missile defense "another area for deep cooperation between our countries."

President Barack Obama who visited Russia in July has vowed to "reset" US-Russia relations. On Tuesday, Hillary apologised for missing that meeting because of a broken elbow.

"But now both my elbow and our relations are reset and we're moving forward, which I greatly welcome," she said.

She was to meet with Russian President Dmitry Medvedev later Tuesday.

Beyond Iran, Lavrov said US and Russia negotiators have made "considerable" progress toward reaching agreement on a new strategic arms treaty. The 1991 Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty, or START, expires in December and negotiators have been racing to reach agreement on a successor.

The two diplomats also discussed possible cooperation on missile defence following Obama's decision not to proceed with Bush-administration plans to base such a system in eastern Europe. Russia has welcomed Obama's new approach, but has said it was eager for more detailed information.

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'Palestinian hopes in Obama evaporated'

AP, AFP, Jerusalem/ Ramallah

An internal document circulated among members of Palestinian President Mahmud Abbas' political party says any hopes in the Obama administration "have evaporated."

The Fatah Party document

accuses the US of backing off

from its demands that Israel

freeze settlement construction

and failing to set a clear agenda

for new Middle East peace talks.

The memorandum was obtained by The Associated Press on Tuesday. It wasn't immediately clear whether the memo reflects Abbas' views or was intended to pressure President Barack Obama to be more hawkish on Israel.

The document says the

Palestinians have lost hope in

Obama, and accuses the

American leader of caving in

to pressure from pro-Israel

lobbyists in Washington.

Hamas has asked for a

postponement because of the

controversial decision of

Palestinian president Mahmud

Abbas, who is the Fatah leader,

to support deferring a vote on a

damning Gaza war report at

the UN Human Rights Council.

According to the latest

Egyptian proposal, the two

rivals would separately sign a

unity deal by October 15 and

the rest of the Palestinian

facts by October 20.

An official ceremony in

Cairo would be postponed

until after the Muslim holiday of Eid-ul-Azha in late

November-early December.



Russian Prime Minister Vladimir Putin (R) shakes hands with Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao (L) during a welcoming ceremony at the Great Hall of the People in Beijing yesterday. China and Russia cemented their burgeoning trade relationship with billions of dollars in new deals as Prime Minister Putin met his Chinese counterpart Wen Jiabao.



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