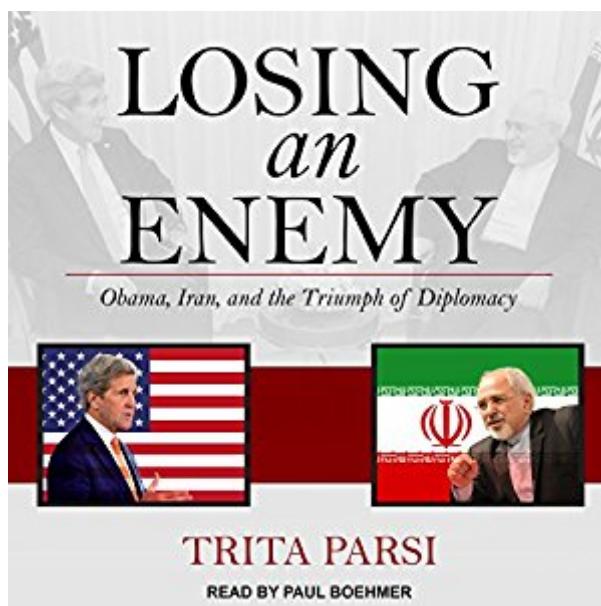


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Losing An Enemy: Obama, Iran, And The Triumph Of Diplomacy



Synopsis

This timely book focuses on President Obama's deeply considered strategy toward Iran's nuclear program and reveals how the historic agreement of 2015 broke the persistent stalemate in negotiations that had blocked earlier efforts. The deal accomplished two major feats in one stroke: it averted the threat of war with Iran and prevented the possibility of an Iranian nuclear bomb. Trita Parsi, a Middle East foreign policy expert who advised the Obama White House throughout the talks and had access to decision-makers and diplomats on the US and Iranian sides alike, examines every facet of a triumph that could become as important and consequential as Nixon's rapprochement with China. Drawing from more than 75 in-depth interviews with key decision-makers, including Iran's Foreign Minister Javad Zarif and US Secretary of State John Kerry, this is the first authoritative account of President Obama's signature foreign policy achievement.

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Customer Reviews

Comprehensive review of the tortured process leading to this important agreement

This book is nothing more than the repeat of a pack of the most boldfaced lies. Written by Trita Parsi, one of the most notorious agents of the Khomeinist regime in DC, it is the promotion of not only an implausible scheme but a recounting of the complete betrayal of both the Iranian AND American people, as well as the international public who would believe anything that anyone

well-dressed and with a smile offers up as excuse. This book is another piece of showboating by puppets of an archaic terrorist regime that is not only unreformable but is one of THE most dangerous mafias of fanatics that has managed to fly by the seat of its pants, pulling the wool over the international public for nearly four decades.

The book's thesis is focused upon the deal the US and West made with Iran, and yet fails to mention the Brookings Institution's "Which Path to Persia" document. In "Which Path to Persia," the Brookings Institution states that one possible scenario for garnering support for war with Iran from the populations of the US and West is to create an "enticing" deal with Iran that then can be slowly undermined with propaganda. "The ideal scenario in this case would be that the United States and the international community present a package of positive inducements so enticing that the Iranian citizenry would support the deal, only to have the regime reject it. In a similar vein, any military operation against Iran will likely be very unpopular around the world and require the proper international context--both to ensure the logistical support the operation would require and to minimize the blowback from it. The best way to minimize international opprobrium and maximize support (however, grudging or covert) is to strike only when there is a widespread conviction that the Iranians were given but then rejected a superb offer--one so good that only a regime determined to acquire nuclear weapons and acquire them for the wrong reasons would turn it down. Under those circumstances, the United States (or Israel) could portray its operations as taken in sorrow, not anger, and at least some in the international community would conclude that the Iranians 'brought it on themselves'" --"Which Path to Persia," p. 39. Also outlined in "Which Path to Persia" are a desire for an Iran sponsored 9/11 of some kind and the need for creating Iranian provocations that can be used as excuses for war. To not have discussed "Which Path to Persia," the author is at best ignorant, or at worse a misinformation agent for those behind the machinations contained therein.

The rehashing of the old pro-Islamist regime narrative being pushed by an author who has been directly tied to the Islamist regime, acting as its de facto agent in the U.S. Yes, President Obama was great on many fronts, but his foreign policy, especially on Iran has been discredited across the board. "Losing and Enemy" is a light-weight attempt to bring legitimacy to what amounts to as the fifth column argument in support of rolling over and handing it all the the Islamist ideology coming out of Tehran. The author, called president-for-life of a Washington DC based organization which he continues to use as his personal fiefdom, raises millions to promote himself and his assigned promotion of the Islamist regime of Iran. As a non US citizen, it is curious how he gets away with

representing himself as the voice of the Iranian-American community. Don't waste your money on this book

Trita Parsi, the author of " Losing an Enemy" is not a genuine and trustworthy writer and his book reflects and commensurate his misguided deeds. Trita Parsi betrayed Iranian people and sided with Ayatollahs who lobbied and bought Trita's access to the White House. The book is a great distance from facts and realities.

This is a good book to read if you are looking to see what the Khomeinist regime position vis-a-vis the USA is. The author, Trita Parsi, not only colludes with the regime in Tehran, but presents himself as their lobbyist on Capitol Hill. That a group acting on behalf of a foreign government also receives funding from the National Endowment for Democracy during the tenure of President Bush, and is subcontracted by the Obama white house to push its agenda, speaks volumes as to where US is going in that region of the world.

I usually don't write reviews, as I think books are sacred and everyone has a right to express their views. But, there was a time we should have stood up to Goebels and we didn't and believed his lies about Hitler. This time we should. Parsi is the Goebels to Khamenei and IRI, the Nazis of our time.

Full of loopholes and half-truths this biased narrative reads more like a thinly veiled propaganda piece for the Iranian regime and its interests than a historical account or objective analysis. It's a shame as the subject matter does merit a deep and detailed analysis.

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