

# **U.S. revolutionary socialists mourn Iranian President Raeisi, demand end to U.S. sanctions**

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Iranian President Ebrahim Raeisi

Struggle-La Lucha and the Socialist Unity Party send our deepest condolences to the Iranian government, the Iranian people, and their families and loved ones on the loss of the President of the Islamic Republic of Iran, H.E. Ayatollah Sayed Ebrahim Raeisi, and Minister of Foreign Affairs, H.E. Dr. Hossein Amirabdollahian, and their entire accompanying delegation.

We mourn with the Iranian people and stand in solidarity with Iran.

Our immediate duty as organizations functioning in the United States is to demand that U.S. imperialism respect the sovereign rights of Iran and cease any interference, overt or covert, in the affairs of Iran and its constitutional process.

Again, we amplify our call for an end to the sanctions in the United States.

While an investigation of the helicopter crash by Iranian officials has yet to be completed, we take special note that the cruel sanctions imposed by the United States, which also block the sales of aviation parts to Iran, may have played a contributing role in this disaster.

This horrific tragedy took the lives not only of President Raeisi and Minister of Foreign Affairs Amirabdollahian but also Malek Rahmati, Governor of East Azerbaijan, Ayatollah Mohammad Ali Ale-Hashem, the representative of the Leader of the Islamic Revolution to the East Azerbaijan province, as well as five crew members. East Azerbaijan Province's Governor Malek Rahmati, and Mehdi Mousavi, the head of Raisi's bodyguard team.

Echoing the sentiments of the Palestinian Resistance, we salute the contributions made by Iran's president in support of the Palestinian and anti-imperialist cause and join the world community in mourning.

U.S. hands off Iran! End the criminal sanctions now!

