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recently launched V again demonstrated around its people. T	anian government's efforts to deny their people the freedom to access America's 'irtual Embassy Tehran. Through this action, the Iranian government has once I its commitment to build an electronic curtain of surveillance and censorship The Iranian government's systematic efforts to deny information to its citizens – to mian people see and hear – is doomed to fail in a 21 st century when technology is

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empowering citizens around the globe.

The United States remains steadfast in our commitment to a dialogue with the Iranian people based upon mutual interests, mutual respect, and admiration for a great and ancient civilization. The Iranian government should explain to its own people why it fears their ability to access the information that they choose.