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Parliamentary Secretary Obhrai says Canada will oppose any attempts to supply uranium to Iran

(Ottawa) Deepak Obhrai, M.P. for Calgary East and Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Foreign Affairs, today made the following statement in the House of Commons:

“Mr. Speaker, our government is deeply concerned by reports that Zimbabwe is willing to supply uranium to Iran.

Iranian authorities have refused to fully co-operate with the International Atomic Energy Agency to address international concerns about the nature of its nuclear program.

As a result of Iran's continued non-compliance, the UN Security Council adopted resolutions 1737 of 2006 and 1803 of 2008, which clearly prohibits the supply of uranium to Iran.

Canada strictly adheres to these international legal obligations to prevent the sale or transfer of uranium to Iran. Zimbabwe should immediately cancel any plans it may have to facilitate Iranian acquisitions of uranium.

Our government will strongly oppose any attempt to circumvent these important security council resolutions.”

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