

Dr. Burgess Weekly Video Address July 17, 2015  
“Iran Deal”

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Hello, this is your Congressman, Michael Burgess. As you have probably seen on the news this week, the White House announced the Iran agreement after months of negotiations. This resulting deal, has been cause for deep concern in Washington and across the nation.

Iranians, on the other hand, seem to have cause to celebrate. This deal will hand Iran billions in sanctions relief while giving their leaders time and a path to producing a nuclear bomb.

These are the current nuclear-related facilities we know about (7).

[\(show on map\)](#) Iran’s government has failed to give unrestricted access to their facilities. Iran has a history of dishonesty. With the wide dispersal of nuclear sites across their country, inspections will be meaningless if they cannot take place anywhere and anytime.

We need unfettered access to be able to accurately assess whether Iran is complying with terms of the agreement and to understand the extent of their nuclear program, peaceful or otherwise.

This agreement only gives us the ability to request permission. They, of course, have the option to protest, which would delay our inspections an additional 24 days. Under these terms, we cannot guarantee that Iran is not violating the agreement.

Under this agreement, even if they did follow the rules, Iran would be able to enrich enough uranium to create a nuclear weapon in one year’s time.

Even worse, without Iran making any concrete improvements to their policies, this agreement lightens sanctions that were sending an effective message.

We are facing an immoral and dangerous regime in Iran. This regime has almost no regard for human rights; they have a decades-long obsession with destroying our Israeli allies; and worse yet, they are still on the path to building a nuclear weapon. Any policy that would allow them to get one step closer to their goal is absolutely unacceptable.

I cannot support what has been outlined in the Iran agreement. A nuclear Tehran simply cannot be allowed to exist. As your Representative in Congress, I will continue fighting to ensure that it does not obtain a nuclear weapon.

As always, I welcome your questions and comments on this issue. Thank you for taking the time to listen. May God bless you and your family, and as always, may God bless Texas.