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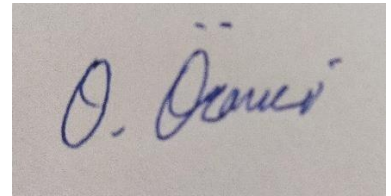
FOREWORD

Dear readers/followers,

As the editorial team of *UPA Strategic Affairs*, due to the war between the United States-Israel and Iran that began in late February 2026, we decided to prepare a special issue on the Islamic Republic of Iran, which is generally perceived through many prejudices and clichés in the Western world, Therefore, we designed this special June issue of the journal, which you are currently reading. In this issue, you will be able to read 9 important articles prepared by expert academics who conduct research on Iran.

Our journal is rapidly developing thanks to the superhuman efforts of a small but dedicated team. Unfortunately, due to the difficulties of our region, we may not receive the attention and success we deserve, but I hope that these problems will be overcome in the near future.

Thank you to everyone who supports the UPA team. We will continue to work with all our might with our team, proving that good people also exist in the world..



Prof. Dr. Ozan ÖRMECİ

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