

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Congressman Steve King (R-IA) today released the following statement following the nation of Turkey's vote against imposing sanctions on Iran for the Islamic Republic's continued development of a nuclear program. The sanctions resolution was offered in the United Nations Security Council by the United States and was approved by a vote of 12-2 with one abstention.

“Under Barack Obama’s foreign policy, Turkey is transforming itself from a secular and strategic ally of the United States into an increasingly hostile Islamic state,” said King. **“Turkey’s decision to support Iran’s effort to develop nuclear weapons over America’s objections indicates that the Obama administration’s foreign policies are emboldening Turkey’s radical Islamists.”**

“When the President of the United States bows to a prince or refuses to allow his cabinet to even utter the words ‘radical Islam’ he projects weakness and lack of resolve. This alienates our friends, especially those who are in strategically vulnerable countries, and emboldens our enemies.”

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