

Iran Threatens to Sue Russia

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Iranian lawmaker Alaeddin Boroujerdi said his country may sue Russia for refusing to supply Tehran with S-300 air defense missile systems, the country's news agency ISNA reported.

Iran may seek financial compensation if the S-300s are not supplied, said Boroujerdi, who heads the parliament's national security and foreign policy commission. He did not elaborate.

Iran ordered missile systems from Russia in 2007, but the contract was never fulfilled, and on Wednesday, President Dmitry Medvedev signed a decree that the order should be halted because of UN sanctions against Tehran.

Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov told RIA-Novosti on Monday that Iran is not entitled to sue for breach of contract because UN sanctions constitute a force majeure.

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