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Russia Warns Against Foreign Meddling in Iran After Trump Tweet

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Russia's Embassy in the United States has warned against foreign interference in Iran as anti-government protests there have turned deadly.

Up to 13 people have reportedly been killed in nationwide demonstrations in the Islamic republic in the biggest unrest since protests against alleged election rigging in 2009.

In a tweet on Monday, U.S. President Donald Trump said Iran is "failing at every level" and called for change in the country.

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> Iran is failing at every level despite the terrible deal made with them by the Obama Administration. The great Iranian people have been repressed for many years.

> They are hungry for food & for freedom. Along with human rights, the wealth of Iran is being looted. TIME FOR CHANGE!
>
> — Donald J. Trump (@realDonaldTrump) January 1, 2018

Moscow has so far remained silent on the topic other than issuing a travel warning, as Russia has ground to a standstill during a week of New Year's celebrations.

But on Tuesday, the Embassy in the United States on Twitter cited Russia's Foreign Ministry as saying "This is Iran's internal affair. External interference destabilizing the situation is inadmissible."

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> 'We express the hope that the situation in #Iran🇮🇷 won't develop under the scenario of bloodshed and violence. This is Iran's internal affair. External interference destabilizing the situation is inadmissible' - Russian Foreign Ministry @MFA_Russia pic.twitter.com/ANxVW4BntD
>
> — Russia in USA 🇷🇺 (@RusEmbUSA) January 2, 2018

The tweet also said Moscow hoped the protests in Iran won't descend into "bloodshed and violence."

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