Links from my friend Darrell...

The BBC has revealed what it says are the plans for a US strike against Iran's nuclear facilities. The plans also entail the destruction of much of Iran's military installations. According to the BBC, diplomatic sources have told them that senior officials in the US administration have already selected a list of possible targets within Iran, in the event that it is decided military action against Iran should be taken. The BBC correspondent says that two possible triggers for a US strike are a high number of casualties in Iraq, or substantial proof that Iran intends to develop nuclear weapons.

Quote: *"Middle East analysts have recently voiced their fears of catastrophic consequences for any such US attack on Iran. Britain's previous ambassador to Tehran, Sir Richard Dalton, told the BBC it would backfire badly by probably encouraging the Iranian government to develop a nuclear weapon in the long term.*

Iran is planning to develop nuclear weapons, everyone knows that. President Ahmadinejad has repeatedly stated his intentions to " wipe Israel off the map ", and has obtained information on how to build nu clear warheads on the black market. Javier Solana , the High Representative for the European Common, Foreign and Security Policy, has stated that the diplomatic option will not prevent Iran from acquiring the material to produce a nuclear weapon. So for Iran, it's a win-win situation. If the US and Israel try to intervene after diplomacy fails, Iran will claim it needs nuclear weapons to defend itself and develop them anyway. Either way Iran will get its conflict with the West, and in particular Israel, sooner or later.

Source BBC