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Tehran rejects Macron's call for wider intl talks beyond nuclear deal – ministry

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Iran rejected French calls for wider international talks over its nuclear and military ambitions, according to a state TV report.

President Emmanuel Macron had said the previous day that Paris and Washington both wanted to stop Tehran getting nuclear arms and new talks should focus on curbing its ballistic missiles program.

Iran's Foreign Ministry said on Friday it would not hold any discussions beyond the 2015 pact which US President Donald Trump abandoned last year. *"Talking about issues beyond the deal... will lead to further mistrust among the remaining signatories of the deal,"* Reuters quoted Foreign Ministry spokesperson Abbas Mousavi as saying.

*"The Europeans have so far failed to fulfill their commitments under the deal and... to protect Iran's interests after America's illegal withdrawal,"* Mousavi added.