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I don't think anything in the piece is dangerous - nonetheless, it should be sent to our lawyer of course.

The fact is NIAC got the funds from NED. As a non-profit 501c3, NIAC carried out a training, but made no payment to any Iranian entity. We have no regulatory requirement to do due diligence with the organizations we work with. For example, right now, my organization not only works with, but makes subgrants to organizations all around the world. As a 501c3 we have almost no regulatory or legal requirement by the US government to find out their status in their home country or even if they are registered. So anyone that knows the law would know this. I'm starting to suspect his continued attacks means that he has some quasi - government backing.

I would talk to NED immediately about this and perhaps consult them on how to address this. They will have more resources and avenues to hit him hard.

I also want to reiterate again that we need a top notch political anti-defamation lawyer that knows Washington on our side. As we get deeper into these issues, it will be hard for us to tell from where these hits are coming from. We are challenging very entrenched interests and we should be fully prepared for much worse to come.

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> <http://www.americanchronicle.com/articles/65425>
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> These accusations are very serious. He is implying espionage for the workshop Dokhi did with Hamyaran.
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