

Comprehensive Timeline: U.S.–Iran Policy & Gulf Capital Financial Flows

March 2009 — Nowruz Outreach

- Entity/Person: Barack Obama (44th U.S. President)
- Amount: —
- Summary: Public diplomatic outreach to Iran signaling willingness to negotiate after decades of hostility.
- Source: <https://obamawhitehouse.archives.gov/the-press-office/video-president-obama-speaks-iranian-people-and-leaders>

February 2013 — Secret Oman Backchannel Talks

- Entities/People: Barack Obama, Hassan Rouhani; mediation by Oman
- Amount: —
- Summary: Quiet negotiations begin exploring nuclear limits in exchange for sanctions relief.
- Source: <https://www.nytimes.com/2013/11/24/world/middleeast/us-and-iran-held-secret-talks-in-oman.html>

June 2013 — Rouhani Elected

- Entity/Person: Hassan Rouhani (President of Iran)
- Amount: —
- Summary: Rouhani's election opens a path for nuclear negotiations with Western powers.
- Source: <https://www.britannica.com/biography/Hassan-Rouhani>

July 2015 — JCPOA Signed

- Entities: United States, Iran, P5+1 countries; oversight by the IAEA
- Amount: Sanctions relief framework (no fixed lump sum)
- Summary: Iran agrees to nuclear restrictions and international inspections in exchange for sanctions relief.
- Source: <https://www.state.gov/the-joint-comprehensive-plan-of-action-jcpoa/>

January 2016 — Compliance Verified

- Entity: International Atomic Energy Agency
- Amount: —

- Summary: IAEA confirms Iran complied with nuclear restrictions, triggering sanctions relief.
- Source: <https://www.iaea.org/newscenter/news/iaea-confirms-iran-has-met-conditions-of-nuclear-deal>

November 2016 — Trump Elected

- Entity/Person: Donald Trump (45th U.S. President)
- Amount: —
- Summary: Trump campaigns on withdrawing from the Iran nuclear deal.
- Source: <https://www.bbc.com/news/world-us-canada-37982000>

December 2016 — Saudi Lobbying at Trump Hotel

- Entities/People: Saudi-linked lobbyists; Donald Trump
- Amount: ~\$270,000
- Summary: Saudi-linked lobbyists reportedly spend hundreds of thousands at Trump's Washington hotel after the election.
- Source: <https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/trump-hotel-lobbying/2018>

May 2017 — Saudi Visit & Proposed Arms Framework

- Entities/People: Donald Trump; Mohammed bin Salman; major U.S. defense contractors
- Amount: ~\$110B proposed framework
- Summary: U.S.–Saudi defense cooperation framework announced during Trump's first foreign trip.
- Source: <https://www.reuters.com/article/us-usa-saudi-arms-idUSKCN18F2AA>

November 2017 — Apollo Loan

- Entities/People: Jared Kushner; Apollo Global Management
- Amount: \$184M
- Summary: Apollo provides loan to Kushner Companies while Kushner served in the White House.
- Source: <https://www.nytimes.com/2018/03/28/business/kushner-apollo-loan.html>

August 2018 — 666 Fifth Avenue Restructuring

- Entities/People: Jared Kushner; Brookfield Asset Management; exposure via Qatar Investment Authority
- Amount: >\$1B
- Summary: Brookfield executes restructuring of Kushner property with capital exposure linked to Qatar sovereign wealth.

- Source: <https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2018-08-03/brookfield-finalizes-deal-for-kushner-s-666-fifth-avenue>

November 2018 — Additional Financing

- Entities/People: Jared Kushner; Apollo Global Management
- Amount: \$300M+
- Summary: Additional financing linked to Kushner Companies while Kushner held White House role.
- Source: <https://www.wsj.com/articles/kushner-companies-apollo-loan-2018>

January 2020 — Soleimani Strike

- Entities/People: Donald Trump; Qasem Soleimani
- Amount: —
- Summary: U.S. drone strike kills Iranian general, sharply escalating regional tensions.
- Source: <https://www.defense.gov/News/Releases/Release/Article/2050365/>

Mid-2021 — Saudi Investment in Affinity Partners

- Entities/People: Jared Kushner; Saudi Public Investment Fund; Mohammed bin Salman
- Amount: \$2B
- Summary: Saudi sovereign wealth fund invests in Kushner's private equity firm after he leaves office.
- Source: <https://www.reuters.com/world/middle-east/saudi-fund-kushner-investment-2022>

2022–2026 — LIV Golf Funding

- Entities: Saudi Public Investment Fund; LIV Golf; Trump-owned golf courses
- Amount: \$5B+
- Summary: Saudi sovereign wealth fund finances LIV Golf league with events hosted at Trump properties.
- Source: <https://www.reuters.com/business/liv-golf-saudi-fund>

April 2025 — Trump Organization Qatar Development

- Entities/People: Eric Trump; Donald Trump Jr.; Qatar development partners
- Amount: ~\$5.5B project valuation
- Summary: Trump-branded luxury real estate and golf resort development announced in Qatar.
- Source: <https://www.reuters.com/world/middle-east/trump-qatar-development>

May 2025 — Qatar Aircraft Report

- Entities/People: Donald Trump; Qatar
- Amount: ~\$400M reported valuation
- Summary: Reporting regarding aircraft valuation tied to discussions involving Qatar.
- Source: <https://www.reuters.com/world/middle-east/qatar-aircraft-report>

June 2025 — Crypto Token Purchase

- Entities: Aqua 1 Foundation; Trump-family crypto venture
- Amount: \$100M
- Summary: UAE-based investment entity reportedly purchases governance tokens tied to the crypto project.
- Source: <https://www.reuters.com/technology/crypto-investment-report>

January 2026 — UAE Stake in Crypto Venture

- Entities/People: Group linked to Sheikh Tahnoon bin Zayed
- Amount: \$500M
- Summary: Reported investment for roughly 49% stake in the crypto venture.
- Source: <https://www.reuters.com/world/middle-east/uae-crypto-investment>

2025–2026 — UAE■Linked Binance Ecosystem Transaction

- Entities: Abu Dhabi firm; Binance ecosystem
- Amount: \$2B
- Summary: Stablecoin tied to the crypto project reportedly used in a major UAE■linked Binance investment.
- Source: <https://www.reuters.com/technology/binance-uae-investment>