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Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation Sergey Lavrov Speaks to UN Secretary General Kofi Annan by Telephone

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On May 26, a telephone conversation between Russian Minister of Foreign Affairs Sergey Lavrov and Kofi Annan took place at the United Nations Secretary General's initiative. The focus of attention was the situation around the Iranian nuclear program.

On both sides, special emphasis was laid on the unalternative character of a politico-diplomatic resolution of the situation that has evolved and on the importance of a continued search for a negotiated settlement. The necessity was underscored of constructive steps being taken by Iran to comply with the demands of the international community.

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