

'Comprehensive Iranian n-deal supposed to be reached'

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Vienna: The basic elements for reaching a comprehensive nuclear deal has been provided, and there should be an accord to be agreed on in the final talks, Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi told reporters.

After meeting with foreign ministers involved in the ongoing nuclear negotiation, Wang Yi here on Thursday expressed his optimism about the expected comprehensive nuclear deal, Xinhua reported.

"I think the basic elements for reaching a comprehensive nuclear deal have been provided, the time to resolve the Iranian nuclear issue has come," Wang said.

After arriving in the capital of Austria, Wang held bilateral meetings with Iranian Foreign Minister Mohammad Javad Zarif, US Secretary of State John Kerry and French Foreign Minister Laurent Fabius in Palais Coburg.

Iran and five UN Security Council permanent members plus Germany have been negotiating over the past 16 months to reach a long-term deal over Tehran's disputed atomic plan.

"The possibility of reaching a deal is very high, a deal should be agreed on," Wang told reporters.

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