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As the commander in chief and highest political authority in Iran, the
current Supreme Leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, has played a critical
role in the direction of the Islamic Republic of Iran. This monograph
identifies three key factors that will shape succession of the next
Supreme Leader and outlines five alternative scenarios for the post-
Khamenei era. It situates all of this within the context of the June 2009
election.
