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Israeli jets destroy 60 miles of Hamas tunnels under Gaza

The Times, May 20, 2021



EVENT

Israeli generals have revealed details of a secret operation to destroy the vast network of Gaza tunnels known to Hamas as “the Metro”. For the past week Israeli jets have been firing bunker-busting missiles at the 300-mile warren of passages beneath Gaza City. Built since 2016 at an estimated cost of more than £150 million, it is used by Hamas to hide weapons as well as its senior commanders and guerrilla fighters. The tunnels, equipped with a communications network that can withstand bomb attacks, have rest areas and lavatories and are split into five linked sections, one for each of Hamas’s combat brigades. They are connected to launch pits from which rockets have been fired towards Israeli towns and cities. So far the Israeli military believes it has destroyed about 60 miles of tunnels, a fifth of the entire network.

COMMENT

There has been 11 days of conflict between Israel and the Palestinians in Gaza. At least 243 people, including more than 100 women and children, were killed in Gaza, according to its health ministry. Israel has said it killed at least 225 militants during the fighting. Hamas has not given casualty figures for fighters. In Israel 12 people, including two children, were killed, its medical service says. The article above speaks of the incredible lengths that Hamas have gone to creating hundreds of miles of tunnels under Gaza from which they launch terror attacks on Israel and hide rockets. Israel’s iron dome has massively reduced the amount of casualties they would otherwise have suffered. In Zephaniah 2 we read about God’s anger coming against Gaza. We also read in Ezekiel 28 about the pricking briars surrounding Israel being removed. Hamas is still there to fight another day – so we know more conflict is yet to come...

BIBLE QUOTE

Seek ye the LORD, all ye meek of the earth, which have wrought his judgment; seek righteousness, seek meekness: it may be ye shall be hid in the day of the LORD’S anger. For Gaza shall be forsaken, and Ashkelon a desolation: they shall drive out Ashdod at the noon day, and Ekron shall be rooted up.
(Zephaniah 2:3-4)

Israel and Hamas ready to fight on

The Times, May 22, 2021



EVENT Israel and Hamas both threatened renewed fighting over Gaza in years to come, even as they agreed to end the latest round of bloodshed with a ceasefire yesterday. Binyamin Netanyahu, accused by right-wing parties of having caved in to pressure and of calling off airstrikes too early, hailed the military operation to destroy Hamas's missiles, tunnels and leadership as a success, saying it had set back the enemy by years. He promised to repeat it if necessary. "The rules of the game were changed," the prime minister said at a press conference after the ceasefire early yesterday morning. "We changed the equation not only as regards the operation, but also as regards the future. If Hamas thinks we will tolerate a drizzle of rockets, it is mistaken. We will respond with a whole new level of force to every instance of aggression." He suggested that previous "containment" of Gaza had been too soft.

COMMENT Psalm 83 is still to be fulfilled. We know that ALL the surrounding peoples mentioned will rise up against Israel. Although there is a ceasefire – it is just that – a ceasefire before more conflict resumes. Ismail Haniyeh, the Hamas leader said "What is coming after this battle is not what came before it. You will yet see many contacts and successes. We have seen how our nation awoke to stand behind Jerusalem, Palestine and the resistance." On Friday there was renewed violence at Temple Mount in a repeat of the confrontation that sparked this round of conflict with Hamas. What was most alarming to Israel is how the Palestinian conflict erupted into violence on the streets in Israel itself. There is fear of civil war as Arab and Jewish mobs fight each other. Psalm 83 indicates there will be internal conflict as it mentions the Amalekites who once lived in the land.

BIBLE QUOTE For they have consulted together with one consent: they are confederate against thee: The tabernacles of Edom, ..Gebal, and Ammon, and Amalek; The Amalekites lived in southern Canaan and were in fact one of the tribes Israel had to destroy when they entered the land. But note this – they were IN the land. (Psalm 83:5-7)

Ayatollah issues terrifying call to arms as Iran vows to land 'deadly blows' on Israel

The Express, May 22, 2021



EVENT

IRAN's Supreme Leader has stoked tensions in the Middle East by **urging Muslims to unite against Israel by supporting Palestinian insurgents militarily and financially.** Meanwhile a statement issued by **Iran's Revolutionary Guard claimed "deadly blows" will soon rain down on Israel from Palestine** - with the strong implication that Hamas and other insurgents have been armed by Tehran. Speaking just hours after the confirmation of a ceasefire brokered by Egypt brought an end to 11 days of violence, Ayatollah Sayyid Ruhollah Musavi Khamenei issued his call to arms in a statement carried by multiple Iranian media outlets. Iran, which does not recognise Israel, supports and is widely understood **to have armed the Islamist militants of Hamas**, who rule the Gaza Strip.

COMMENT

Iran is the power behind all the terror groups that surround Israel. It actively arms and supports, Hamas, Islamic Jihad, Hezbollah and even Syria itself who is a sworn enemy of Israel. All these are terror groups or in the case of Syria a nation that uses terror to suppress its people. Psalm 83 mentions a nation that is joined to many tribes listed who surround Israel and want to destroy Israel. **That nation is Assur or Assyria. In ancient times Assur covered the land of Syria, Iraq AND Iran.** Therefore we expect Iran to be the major support of the terror groups around God's land. We might ask why Iran hasn't activated Hezbollah in Lebanon to attack Israel while Hamas was? The answer is probably due to the fact that **Iran is in end talks in Vienna over its nuclear program.** Iran activated Hamas as a warning of what it will do if it doesn't get its way in these talks...

BIBLE QUOTE

They have said, Come, and let us cut them off from being a nation; that the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance. For they have consulted together with one consent: they are confederate against thee: Gebal, and Ammon, and Amalek; the Philistines with the inhabitants of Tyre; **Assur also is joined with them:** they have holpen the children of Lot. Selah. (Psalm 83:4-8)

Turkey's anti-Israel obsession reaches new heights

Jerusalem Post, May 21, 2021



EVENT Turkey's anti-Israel rhetoric has rapidly increased during the past eight days of fighting. The rhetoric targeting Israel and Jews has reached such heights that the US has condemned Turkey's president for antisemitic comments. While the US works to bring an end to the Hamas war against Israel, Turkey is fanning the flames. **Among its recent statements is a demand by Turkey to separate Jerusalem from Israel.** The latest comments by Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan were to demand a "separate arrangement" for Jerusalem. Since 2020, when Turkey turned Hagia Sophia into a mosque, the Turkish religious and political leadership of the AKP Party, which supports Hamas, has sought to "liberate" al-Aqsa Mosque and claims it will take over Jerusalem. Another of Erdogan's comments was to call on the world to stop the "aggression on al-Quds," a reference to Jerusalem. If the world did not stop Israel, then this "brutal mentality" would harm others tomorrow, he said.

COMMENT Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan sympathises and maintains close contacts with the radical Islamic terrorist organization Hamas. He has called Israel a "terrorist state" and "immoral." On Tuesday, Erdogan lashed out at Austria for hoisting Israeli flags on government buildings in Vienna. "I curse the Austrian state," the Turkish president said. Another of Erdogan's comments was to call on the world to stop the "aggression on al-Quds," a reference to Jerusalem. **And so we see Turkey taking a role that the Bible said it would.** In Ezekiel 38 we read that Turkey (Togarmah) will join forces with Russia and Iran (and other north African countries) and invade Israel. **His call to separate Jerusalem from Israel is leading to Zechariah 12:2-3 coming to pass.**

BIBLE QUOTE Behold, I will make Jerusalem a cup of trembling unto all the people round about, when they shall be in the siege both against Judah and against Jerusalem. And in that day will I make Jerusalem a burdensome stone for all people: all that burden themselves with it shall be cut in pieces, though all the people of the earth be gathered together against it. *(Zechariah 12:2-3)*

Putin to would-be aggressors: 'Will knock their teeth out'

Associated Press, May 20, 2021

The lion's teeth are in the jar!



EVENT

Russian President Vladimir Putin alleged Thursday that some of the country's foreign foes dream about biting off pieces of the country's vast territory, warning that Moscow would "knock their teeth out" if they ever try. In strong remarks during talks with officials, the Russian president noted that foreign efforts to contain Russia date from centuries ago. "In all times, the same thing happened: once Russia grew stronger, they found pretexts to hamper its development," Putin said, alleging that some critics of Russia who he didn't name have argued that it's unfair for it to keep its vast natural riches all to itself. "Everyone wants to bite us or bite something off us, but those who would like to do so should know that **we would knock their teeth out.**"

COMMENT

While the world has been looking at Israel, Putin has been making some **alarming statements about Russia and the West**. Under Putin the modernisation of the country's armed forces has been a top priority. During his speech he claimed that Russia now has the most modern strategic nuclear forces compared to other nuclear powers. He also touted other prospective weapons, including the Poseidon atomic-powered underwater drone armed with a **nuclear weapon that is capable of generating devastating tsunami waves near an enemy coast**. Then Putin spoke about knocking their teeth out – he was referring to any enemy that tried to bite them. Putin sees eastern European countries like Ukraine as Russia's buffer nations. Interestingly the **Bible says that the young lions** (UK/UK – Russia's greatest foes) **WILL have their teeth broken out!** They will NOT be able to withstand Gog when he descends into Israel...

BIBLE QUOTE

Break their teeth, O God, in their mouth: **break out the great teeth of the young lions**, O LORD. Let them melt away as waters which run continually: when he bendeth his bow to shoot his arrows, let them be as cut in pieces.

(Psalm 58:6-7)

'The worst it has been in 30 years': London Jews suffer horrific rise in anti-Semitic attacks

Evening Standard, May 20, 2021



EVENT

Anti-Semitic attacks have **increased by 500 per cent in two weeks** as a London Rabbi said offenders were threatening to “kill Jews” and rape their daughters. The horrific abuse has come following an escalation of violence in Israel and Gaza. A ceasefire which began on Thursday night was holding into Friday. “For the first time, I told my children not to go out with their skullcaps on. **I never thought I would tell my children to hide their Jewish identity,**” the Rabbi, who wished to remain anonymous, said. “We have not had cars driving through Jewish neighbourhoods shouting ‘**kill the Jews**’ before. They threatened to rape our daughters. “We think they came down the M1 and deliberately drove through Jewish neighbourhoods in Golders Green, Finchley and St John’s Wood. “The number of antisemitic incidents reported to CST has risen by 500 per cent in the past two weeks which is consistent with previous conflict situations,” chief director Mark Gardner said in a letter to the community

COMMENT

The conflict with Hamas and Israel has caused a **huge spike in anti Semitic incidents** not only in Britain but **around the world**. Thousands of people have taken to the streets in support of the Palestinians. In Britain there were 116 incidents from May 8 to 18 and almost all of them were linked to the conflict in Israel and Gaza. Some attacks were verbal, with abuse shouted at Jewish people, and others took place online. Countries across Europe are also grappling with a **surge in protests, boycotts and hatred toward Jews**. But what will it be like when the inner ring war really starts? At that time **all nations will turn against Israel**. The words of Deuteronomy 28 are a reality in the world now.

BIBLE QUOTE

And among these nations shalt thou find no ease, neither shall the sole of thy foot have rest: but the LORD shall give thee there a trembling heart, and failing of eyes, and sorrow of mind: And thy life shall hang in doubt before thee; and thou shalt fear day and night, and shalt have none assurance of thy life:
(Deuteronomy 28:65-66)



ADDITIONAL AND SUPPORTING ARTICLES

DebkaFile Review (world events through the bi-focals of Israeli military intelligence)

2021-05-20 Israel Shoots Down IRANIAN Drone; Hamas Blindsided By Israel's Response

2021-05-20 Israeli Air Strikes on Hamas “Metro” Tunnel System in Gaza

2021-05-22 CEASEFIRE- As Hamas Regroups, Iran Preps for a Future War Against Israel

2021-05-15 UPDATE- Israel Destroys Gaza Tower Where Hamas Used Media as Human Shields - YouTube

2021-05-25 Did Israel Just Destroy an Iranian Attack Drone Factory - YouTube

2021-05-28 Israel's operation against Hamas was the world's first AI war - The Jerusalem Post PDF version

2021-05-26 Hamas Has Made Its Goal Clear- DESTROY Israel. Is the Media Listening? - YouTube

2021-05-27 Hezbollah Leader Threatens Israel - with Regional War - Over Jerusalem - YouTube

2021-05-28 UN Hypocrisy EXPOSED as it Singles Out Israel for Gaza Casualties - YouTube

2021-05-21 Israel's Gaza war is like no other military operation in history – Opinion - The Jerusalem Post

2021-06-05 Will Iran Test a New Israeli Government? (Approx 11 minutes)

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May 9 - 15, 2021

- Israel hits Gaza after violence at Jerusalem holy sites
- UN warn of full-scale war as Hamas/Israel trade blows
- Israel: Neighbours turn to enemies as anger boils over
- Erdogan wants to 'teach a deterrent lesson' to Israel
- Putin calls escalating Israel conflict a 'direct threat' *
- Putin sounds a warning to the West at parade
- *Additional & Supporting Articles*

Israel strikes Gaza after violence grips Jerusalem holy sites

The Times, May 11, 2021



EVENT

Israeli jets carried out further airstrikes over Gaza this morning in response to rocket attacks by the militant group Hamas after last-minute attempts to defuse growing protests and violence in east Jerusalem failed. Gazan health officials said that at least 24 people, including nine children, were killed as Israeli forces aimed at missile sites and militants yesterday. The Israeli military said 15 of the dead were militants. Gaza militants fired more than 200 rockets toward Israel, injuring six Israeli civilians. Hamas unleashed the first of the missiles at 6pm, the deadline it set for Israeli police to withdraw from the al-Aqsa mosque compound and a district where Palestinian residents are in a dispute with Jewish settlers. This had been preceded by hours of clashes yesterday between Palestinians and Israeli security forces in Jerusalem and across the West Bank, which left more than 700 people injured.

COMMENT

A perfect storm of events has led to the sudden escalation of violence in Israel. It reminds us of the start of the 2nd intifada which began in September 2000 when Ariel Sharon visited Temple Mount. That intifada culminated in 9/11 which in turn sparked the Iraq war. This time the Al Aqsa mosque (Temple Mount) is also the centre of the conflict. Israeli police used stun grenades and rubber bullets. It was also the end of Ramadan and Monday was Jerusalem Day - the anniversary of the capture of east Jerusalem in 1967. On top of this there is political crisis in Israel and political stagnation with the Palestinians. The Bible says that Jerusalem will be an “intoxicating drink” to all those peoples who live “round about” or “nearby”. We see the Palestinians intoxicated by Jerusalem - those intoxicated can be violent, mad and aggressive. And they are...

BIBLE QUOTE

This message is from the Lord, who stretched out the heavens, laid the foundations of the earth, and formed the human spirit. I will make Jerusalem like an intoxicating drink that makes the nearby peoples stagger when they send their armies to besiege Jerusalem and Judah. Notice it is NEARBY people that are intoxicated (inner circle stage 1 conflict) (Zechariah 12:1-2)

UN warns of full-scale war as Hamas and Israel trade blows

The Times, May 12, 2021



EVENT

Israel killed four senior Hamas commanders this morning in Gaza after a night during which the Palestinian movement bombarded Tel Aviv with rockets. Hamas, the network that runs Gaza, claimed that it had fired 50 rockets on the port town of Ashdod and 15 rockets towards the town of Dimona in the Negev desert, near Israel's main nuclear reactor. One civilian in Ashdod was lightly wounded by falling shrapnel. The Gaza health ministry said that in the past two days 56 people had been killed in Gaza, including 14 children. The death toll in Israel rose to six this morning when an Israeli military vehicle was hit by an anti-tank missile on the Gaza border, killing one soldier and wounding two. Three Israeli civilians were killed overnight in towns near Tel Aviv by rockets fired from Gaza. Britain urged both sides to "step back from the brink" and the United Nations warned that the outbreak of violence could escalate into a "full-scale war".

COMMENT

There is clearly great concern from many countries that the violence between Israel and the Palestinians could escalate into a wider war. Hamas have tried to overwhelm Israel's iron dome defence system by firing hundreds of rockets at Tel Aviv and other cities. Incredibly the system has managed to intercept around 90% of them. However this does not remove the fear created and destruction of some property and the loss of some lives. The Bible says that the people "round about" are like a "pricking brier". Surely there is no better description – a brier that pricks you won't kill you but does cause pain in multiple places. But God says the pricking briers will be removed. The removal of the pricking briers is mentioned in Psalm 83. The Philistines (Palestinians) will become like Sisera (commander of the Canaanite army) killed with a tent peg through his head.

BIBLE QUOTE

1. And there shall be no more a pricking brier unto the house of Israel, nor any grieving thorn of all that are round about them, that despised them; and they shall know that I am the Lord GOD.
2. Gebal, and Ammon, and Amalek; the Philistines with the inhabitants of Tyre; Do unto them as unto the Midianites; as to Sisera, as to Jabin, at the brook of Kison: (Ezekiel 28:24 + Psalm 83:7,9)

Neighbours turn into bitterest of enemies as anger boils over in Israel

The Times, May 14, 2021



EVENT

The marketplace in the centre of the small town of Lod, not far from Tel Aviv, looked on Monday morning like a battle scene. Burnt cars, melted rubbish bins and a small municipal building blackened by fire. A Jewish resident had been stabbed and wounded on his way to prayers two hours earlier. Lod is at the heart of Israel, a main terminus of railway lines. Many of its residents work at the nearby Ben Gurion airport. Over the past three nights it has descended into chaos as Arab mobs headed for Jewish neighbourhoods, torching synagogues and schools, and then Jewish vigilantes arrived from the settlements to join the pitched street battles. The anarchy was sparked on Monday, when Hamas fired rockets at Israeli cities from Gaza, in reaction to the clashes between Israeli police and Muslim worshippers in the al-Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem.

COMMENT

This is new. Israel has not had to contend with internal violence like this before. The pent-up anger of Israel's Arab minority was not confined to Lod. Shops and a hotel were burnt down in the Galilee and Jewish drivers were stoned in the Negev desert. In other towns, Jewish far-right activists have hit back, lynching a driver in Bat Yam, a suburb south of Tel Aviv, and destroying Arab-owned shops. It is terrible to see God's land wracked with violence like this. In the list of tribes that form a confederacy to try to destroy Israel there is one tribe called the "Amalek". The Amalekites lived in southern Canaan and were in fact one of the tribes Israel had to destroy when they entered the land. But note this – they were IN the land. This current trouble is also IN the land. Israel has not only an outside problem but an INTERNAL problem. The enemy is within as well.

BIBLE QUOTE

1. For they have consulted together with one consent: they are confederate against thee: The tabernacles of Edom, ..Geba, and Ammon, and Amalek; (Psalm 83:5-7)
2. Thus saith the LORD of hosts, I remember that which Amalek did to Israel, how he laid wait for him in the way, when he came up from Egypt. (1 Samuel 15:2)

Erdogan wants to 'teach a deterrent lesson' to Israel

AL Monitor, May 12, 2021



EVENT Turkish President Recep Tayyip **Erdogan had harsh words for Israel** during a call with his Russian counterpart Wednesday. Erdogan said the international community needs to **“teach a deterrent lesson” to Israel** over the ongoing conflict with Palestinians, the Turkish news outlet Hurriyet Daily News reported. The Turkish leader made the comments during a call with Russian President Vladimir Putin. Erdogan also said he thinks Russia will agree with Turkey at the United Nations on the issue, according to Turkey’s official Anadolu Agency. The situation has hurt Turkey’s recent efforts to mend ties with Israel. Turkey is one of the few but growing number of countries in the region to recognize Israel, though **relations have soured in recent years in part due to Turkey’s friendly relationship with Hamas**. Israel and the Palestinian territories are engulfed in an intense conflict. Hamas in Gaza and the Israel Defence Forces have both struck each other’s territory, leading to dozens of deaths.

COMMENT Turkey is leading the fray in condemnation of Israel and support of the Palestinians. His phone call this week (made to Putin) basically said that Israel must be taught a lesson. He also suggested to Putin that an **international protection force to shield the Palestinians should be considered**. Late last year Erdogan had expressed a desire to improve Turkish / Israeli relations. But as we reported at the time the Bible does not say this will happen. Turkey forms part of Gog’s alliance of nations that invade Israel after the initial inner ring war. **Turkey is Togarmah in Ezekiel 38**. Josephus (ancient historian) says Togarmah was the father of the Phrygians. Ancient Phrygia is eastern Turkey. And so **we see Togarmah turning to Gog** [Putin] and asking him to teach Israel a lesson....

BIBLE QUOTE Gomer, and all his bands; **the house of Togarmah of the north quarters**, and all his bands: and many people with thee. Be thou [Gog, Putin] prepared, and prepare for thyself, thou, and all thy company that are assembled unto thee, and be thou a guard unto them.

(Ezekiel 38:6-7)

Vladimir Putin Calls Escalating Israel Conflict a 'Direct Threat' to Russia's Security

Newsweek, May 14, 2021



EVENT

Russian President Vladimir Putin called the escalating **Israel-Palestinian conflict a direct threat to Russia's security** on Friday. During a meeting with the Russian Security Council, Putin said that the proximity of the violence in Jerusalem and the Gaza Strip to Russia "directly affects" his country's agenda on security. "I would like to ask my colleagues to comment on the current situation in the Middle East, I mean the escalated Palestinian-Israeli conflict. **This is happening in the immediate vicinity of our borders and directly affects our security interests,**" Putin is quoted saying by the Turkish state-run news agency Anadolu Agency. On Wednesday, Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov pushed for an international effort to diffuse the conflict, calling for a "quartet" to meet on the situation. Russian Deputy Foreign Minister Sergei Vershinin has **called on Israel to "immediately" stop all settlement activities in the Palestinian territories,** according to Russian state-owned news agency RIA Novosti.

COMMENT

We now see the mind of Putin and what he really thinks about Israel. Remarkably he sees the **Israel v Palestinian conflict as a direct threat to Russia's security!! He even said it was happening in the "immediate vicinity of our borders"!!** How so? The southern border of Russia is 1745 miles from Israel. Why does Putin see this conflict as being on his own border? The answer is that **Putin now sees Syria as his domain.** Russia's sphere of influence. He has bases there and many soldiers. Russia is there because Assad needs them there. We know Russia is the modern day king of the north. But the **ancient king of the north territory was based in modern Syria.** When Damascus is destroyed in the initial inner ring war we can see why Putin decides to invade Israel. He sees Syria as his territory – and **down he comes to Israel** to take a spoil...

BIBLE QUOTE

The burden of Damascus. Behold, Damascus is taken away from being a city, and it shall be a ruinous heap. Woe to the multitude of many people, which make a noise like the noise of the seas; and to the rushing of nations, that make a rushing like the rushing of mighty waters!
The nations (Russia etc) descend into Israel AFTER Damascus is destroyed... (Isaiah 17:1+12)

Putin sounds a warning to the West at Victory Day parade in Red Square

The Times, May 10, 2021



EVENT

President Putin pledged that Russia would defend its national interests “firmly” as he oversaw a military parade in Red Square yesterday to commemorate the 76th anniversary of the Soviet Union’s victory over Nazi Germany. The parade came amid rising tensions with the United States and other Nato member states over a host of issues including alleged Kremlin cyberhacking and Russia’s military build-up on Ukraine’s borders. The two sides have engaged in tit-for-tat diplomatic expulsions in recent weeks. Yars intercontinental ballistic missile launchers, tanks, armoured personnel carriers and other military hardware rolled past the Kremlin’s walls during a parade involving 12,000 Russian troops, with Putin, 68, watching from a stand that also seated Soviet war veterans. Above Red Square, Su-35 fighter jets accompanied a TU-160 strategic nuclear bomber in a dramatic flyover.

COMMENT

Literally the day before the violence erupted in Israel, Putin stood before an enormous display of military power in Moscow. It happens every year but each year it is bigger and more ominous than the year before. Putin is obsessed with power and military might as he believes it is the one way he can get the respect he craves from other nations. At this time of tension with the West, Putin uses this parade to talk about how he will defend and firmly protect Russia’s interests. Putin has transformed his forces into a high tech super powerful force. In Daniel 11 it says that the king (Gog, Russian ruler / Putin) would “honour the god of forces”. He will be strong, powerful, puffed up, fierce, deceitful and arrogant we are told in Daniel 8. Yet he will come to his end and none shall help him...

BIBLE QUOTE

But in his estate shall he honour the God of forces: and a god whom his fathers knew not shall he honour with gold, and silver, and with precious stones, and pleasant things. ...And he shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the glorious holy mountain; yet he shall come to his end, and none shall help him.
(Daniel 11:38+45)

ADDITIONAL AND SUPPORTING ARTICLES

This Week's **DebkaFile Review** (world events through the bi-focals of Israeli military intelligence)

Alexei Navalny ally says Biden must sanction Putin's associates

Russian troops start pulling back from Ukrainian border - ABC News

Pope Francis Calls For Using COVID to Re-Direct World Onto 'New Path' Toward Economic Revolution

Israel May Have Destroyed Iranian Centrifuges Simply by Cutting Power

Iran to enrich uranium to 60% after 'wicked' nuclear site attack - BBC News

Water fight- Israel turns off Jordan's water supply amid drought and 'personal frictions' — RT World News

Iran and China sign 25-year cooperation agreement - Reuters

Iran blamed as Israeli-owned ship said hit by missile near Oman - The Times of Israel

Navalny Joins the Ranks of Russia's Religious Dissidents - The Moscow Times

What Does China's Latest Five-Year Plan Mean for Russia- - The Moscow Times

The revolt of the public- Martin Gurri on a world without trust - Vox

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- US Embassy limits services after Russia hiring ban
- How Putin and his KGB cronies took control of Russia *
- US tells Russia to stop 'reckless & aggressive actions'
- Violent clashes break out at Temple Mount, many hurt
- Israeli jets target Assad's Syrian heartland
- EU tells Israel to stop settlement expansion amid tension in Jerusalem

US Embassy limits services after Russia hiring ban

Associated Press, April 30, 2021



EVENT

The U.S. Embassy in Moscow has announced that it will cut consular services and staff after Russia imposed restrictions on foreign diplomatic missions. The embassy said in a statement that starting from May 12, it will reduce consular services offered to only include emergency U.S. citizen services and a very limited number of immigration visas such as life-or-death emergencies. Effective May 12, U.S. Embassy Moscow will reduce consular services offered to include only emergency U.S. citizen services and a very limited number of age-out and life or death emergency immigrant visas,' the embassy said in a statement published on its website. 'Non-immigrant visa processing for non-diplomatic travel will cease.' it added, and 'strongly' urged US citizens in Russia with an expired visa to leave the country before the June 15 deadline set by the Russian government. The news comes as Russia-U.S. ties are at a post-Cold War low.

COMMENT

Tensions have been rising week on week since Biden came to power. He wants to stand up to Putin and this has caused relations to sink to new lows. The US embassy has been forced to scale back its staff – and any US citizen with an expired visa must leave Russia before June 15th. Earlier this month the U.S. ordered 10 Russian diplomats out, targeted dozens of companies and people and imposed new curbs on Russia's ability to borrow money. Russia quickly retaliated by ordering 10 U.S. diplomats to leave, blacklisting eight current and former U.S. officials and tightening requirements for U.S. Embassy operations. The Bible says that there is a king of the north (Russia) versus king of the south (US/UK, Saudi) conflict at the time of the end. We are surely at the time of the end right now – everything is lining up as expected...

BIBLE QUOTE

This matter is by the decree of the watchers, and the demand by the word of the holy ones: to the intent that the living may know that **the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men**, and giveth it to whomsoever he will, and setteth up over it the basest of men.

(Daniel 4:17)

The inside story of how Putin and his KGB cronies took control of Russia

The Times, March 29, 2021



EVENT **It's 20 years since Vladimir Putin came to power.** A former member of his inner circle reveals to author Catherine Belton how he and his closest allies came to dominate, enriched themselves and then challenged the West. Inner-circle sources I interviewed laid bare how Putin came to power 20 years ago and **the rise of the tight-knit clan of KGB men surrounding him.** First they enriched themselves and then they began to pose a threat to the West. And there is no sign of it stopping: earlier this month Putin set in train **constitutional changes that will enable him to stay in power until 2036** — an autocrat in all but name. What emerged as a result of Putin's rise and the KGB takeover not only of the country's political and legal systems but also the economy was **a regime in which the billions of dollars at Putin's cronies' disposal were to be actively used to undermine and corrupt the institutions and democracies of the West.**

COMMENT This is a fascinating article written by Catherine Belton who is the former long-serving Moscow Correspondent for the Financial Times. She has investigated over many years and interviewed many people in relation to Putin's rise to power and how he rewarded his close friends and relatives – to the extent his inner circle now control Russia. **The reason this is interesting is that God tells us this is exactly what Putin would do** in the book of Daniel chapter 11. In verses 36-39 we read of a description of a king (ruler) who is arrogant, loves riches and expensive things, worships armed forces, is successful, proud – he works in a fortress (meaning of kremlin!) and he **honours those who submit to him appointing them to positions of authority** and divides the land among them as their reward. This is talking of Gog – Putin – and it is **exactly what he has done....**

BIBLE QUOTE He will honour those who submit to him, **appointing them to positions of authority and dividing the land among them as their reward.** "Then at the time of the end, the king of the south will attack the king of the north. **The latest YouTube signs of the times covers this in some detail [CLICK HERE](#)** (Daniel 11:39-40)

US tells Russia to stop 'reckless & aggressive actions'

BBC, May 7, 2021



EVENT

The US secretary of state has told Russia to cease all "reckless and aggressive actions" towards Ukraine. Antony Blinken made the comments during a trip to Kyiv on Thursday where he met top Ukrainian officials. Speaking alongside President Volodymyr Zelensky, he said the US was looking to strengthen security co-operation and assistance between the two countries. The visit comes just weeks after Russia deployed thousands of soldiers close to the Ukrainian border. "We are aware that Russia has withdrawn some forces from the border... but we also see that significant forces remain there [and] significant equipment remains there," Mr Blinken said. The top US diplomat said Washington was "monitoring the situation very, very closely". The US and Russia have been long-term adversaries and remain far apart on major issues.

COMMENT

The US is very concerned about Russia and its intentions with Ukraine. Last week Putin announced he had authorised the withdrawal of forces close to Ukraine – there has been some reduction but 80,000 soldiers still remain gathered near Ukraine's border. Blinken the US secretary of state said that Washington was "actively looking at strengthening even further our security co-operation and our security assistance with Ukraine". Ukraine is very significant because it covers some of the territory of ancient Magog. In fact eastern Ukraine was the part of Magog and it is this very area that Putin wants to take back. Interestingly it is this part of Ukraine that has a majority that speak Russian. We are told of that Gog is "of the land of Magog". Putin is looking to take back the final piece of the Magog puzzle – perhaps when this happens Gog invades....

BIBLE QUOTE

Son of man, set thy face against Gog, **of the land of Magog**, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal, and prophesy against him, And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I am against thee, O Gog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal:

(Ezekiel 38:2-3 RSV)

Violent clashes break out at Temple Mount, hundreds injured

Jerusalem Post, May 8, 2021



EVENT

Violent clashes broke out at the Temple Mount in Jerusalem on Friday, the last day of Ramadan. Clashes broke out between worshipers and security forces on the scene of the Temple Mount, where tens of thousands of Muslim worshipers gathered to mark the last Friday prayers of the Ramadan month of fasting. At least 17 Israeli police officers were injured in the clashes with approximately half of them needing treatment in hospitals, a police spokesperson said Saturday morning. One of the injured was an Israeli officer who is in moderate condition after being hit in the face with a rock. Some 205 Palestinians were injured, according to Palestine Red Crescent, with 108 of those injured transferred to Jerusalem hospitals for treatment. Jordan's foreign ministry condemned the entrance of Israeli forces to the Temple Mount, and their "animalistic attack" of worshipers there.

COMMENT

Tension has mounted in Jerusalem and the occupied West Bank during the Muslim holy month of Ramadan, with nightly clashes in east Jerusalem's Sheikh Jarrah. Israel's supreme court will hold a hearing on the Sheikh Jarrah evictions on Monday, the same day that Israel marks Jerusalem Day – its annual celebration of its capture of east Jerusalem during the 1967 Middle East war. The US State Department said it is "extremely concerned" about the violence in Jerusalem and called on Israeli and Palestinian officials "to act decisively" to deescalate tensions. We know a time is coming when Jerusalem will be the centre of a global war. It starts when the people "round about" (nearby) Jerusalem launch a war. This is the inner ring war that comes first. After that the outer ring of nations led by Russia descend.

BIBLE QUOTE

Behold, I will make Jerusalem a cup of trembling unto all the people round about, when they shall be in the siege both against Judah and against Jerusalem. And in that day will I make Jerusalem a burdensome stone for all people: all that burden themselves with it shall be cut in pieces, though all the people of the earth be gathered together against it. (Zechariah 12:2-3)

Israeli jets target Assad's Syrian heartland

The Times, May 5, 2021



EVENT

Israeli jets hit targets across northern Syria overnight, including in the coastal region of Latakia, home of the Assad family and heartland of its support. Syrian state media said that one person was killed and six injured in the attacks, which also struck Masyaf, a town further east in Hama province, where a missile factory used by Iran has regularly been struck by Israel in recent years. The attack on Latakia province hit a “civilian plastics factory” in the town of Haffa, the Syrian army said. It claimed some incoming missiles had been shot down. “The Israeli attack left one civilian dead and six wounded, including a boy and his mother,” the Syrian state news agency said. The UK-based monitor, Syrian Observatory for Human Rights, said that 14 soldiers and Iranian-backed fighters were injured. Israel has admitted carrying out hundreds of airstrikes over Syria since the civil war began, mostly in the past five years as Assad consolidated his rule with the help of militias recruited from across the region by Iran.

COMMENT

Israel launched more attacks inside Syria this week. Israel is hitting Iranian missiles and sites for storing weapons that Iran has been sending over the last few years to its proxy armies. Interestingly this time Israel struck the region of Latakia and the town of Haffa. Russia's main air base in the Middle East is also in Latakia province, around ten miles from Haffa. Russia just about tolerates Israel's incursions but the possibility of something going wrong is evident. Russia of course plays a complex diplomatic game with Israel. On the one hand it says it friends with Israel while at the same time protecting / guarding and arming Israel's sworn enemies – eg Syria and Iran. This perilous balance cannot last forever and the thin Russian veneer will soon be removed and Israel will realise Russia was in fact their greatest enemy all along...

BIBLE QUOTE

But I will remove far off from you the northern army [Russia], and will drive him into a land barren and desolate, with his face toward the east sea, and his hinder part toward the utmost sea, and his stink shall come up, and his ill savour shall come up, because he hath done great things. Fear not, O land; be glad and rejoice: for the LORD will do great things. *(Joel 2:20-21)*

EU condemns Israeli settlement plans amid East Jerusalem tensions

Reuters, May 6, 2021



EVENT The EU on Wednesday condemned Israeli plans to build hundreds of new housing units in a settlement in East Jerusalem seen as illegal by international powers. Brussels warned that the planned 540 units in the settlement of Har Homa would cut off East Jerusalem from Bethlehem and undermine the Israeli-Palestinian peace process. EU foreign affairs spokesman Peter Stano also warned of what he said was an alarming increase in evictions and demolitions in occupied Palestinian territory. “The EU renews its call on the Israeli government to halt settlement construction and to reverse these latest decisions as a matter of urgency,” a statement from Brussels said. “The increase in evictions and demolitions across the occupied Palestinian territory, notably the evolving situation in Sheikh Jarrah and Silwan, in East Jerusalem are also alarming. “Such unilateral actions are illegal under international humanitarian law and only fuel tensions.”

COMMENT And it is not just Russia that is against Israel – the EU is also anti Israel. They stand behind the Palestinians and want at the very least Israel to be divided in two. So where does the EU fit into the prophetic jigsaw? Revelation 17 tells us about the EU. The beast is the resurrected Holy Roman Empire. The woman riding the beast is the Papacy in Rome. We are told that the beast and the woman make war on Christ AND the saints. This must mean that this war comes AFTER Christ has returned. Why? Because the saints are with Christ at this point. In the Russian war, Jerusalem has already been invaded when Christ returns to the mount of Olives with the saints. So the EU war must come after. It is the 3rd & final stage – Gog’s war is about spoil this one is about religion.

BIBLE QUOTE These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast. These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful. There are 3 stages to final conflict. 1. Inner ring (Israel’s relatives) 2. Outer ring (Israel’s riches) 3. EU (Israel’s religion) (Rev 17:13-14)

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Dozens killed in crush at Lag Baomer religious festival in Israel

The Guardian, April 30, 2021



EVENT

At least 44 people have been killed and about 150 injured in a crush at a Jewish religious gathering in northern Israel attended by tens of thousands of people, in one of the country's worst peacetime disasters. The prime minister, Benjamin Netanyahu, who visited the scene briefly on Friday, said it was "one of the worst disasters that has befallen the state of Israel" and offered condolences to the families. Sunday would be a day of national mourning, he added. Ultra-Orthodox Jews had travelled to the Galilee tomb of the second-century sage Rabbi Shimon Bar Yochai for annual Lag Baomer commemorations that include all-night prayer, mystical songs and dance.

COMMENT

These were scenes more reminiscent of Muslim worshippers who crowd together in huge numbers which sometimes result in stampedes and many being crushed to death. So what was this religious festival that attracted tens of thousands of Orthodox Jews? Lag BaOmer is a Jewish religious holiday. According to Jewish tradition it marks the death of Rabbi Shimon bar Yochai who died in the 2nd century. He revealed "deepest secrets" of the kabbalah a "landmark text of Jewish mysticism". It is also connected to an ancient Jewish military leader who led a revolt against the Roman empire in 132 AD. Mysticism is the belief that God or spiritual truths can be known through individual insight, rather than by reasoning or study. It even has links to magic. So on the one hand they were celebrating mysticism and the other military might that overcame the Romans. But both are far from scriptural teaching. We can only know God and His ways through his Word the Bible – and nowhere else. We cannot trust in our own strength but in His strength. These sad deaths are a warning to trust in God.

BIBLE QUOTE

There shall not be found among you any one that maketh his son or his daughter to pass through the fire, or that useth divination, or an observer of times, or an enchanter, or a witch, Or a charmer, or a consulter with familiar spirits, or a wizard, or a necromancer. For all that do these things are an abomination unto the LORD:
(Deuteronomy 18:10-12)

Three killed in suspected drone strike on tanker full of Iranian oil

The Times, April 26, 2021



EVENT

Up to three people died after an alleged drone attack on a fuel tanker that was helping to deliver Iranian oil off the coast of Syria. The raid follows a series of “tit-for-tat” explosions on Iranian and Israeli ships. Syrian state media, citing the country’s oil ministry, claimed that an “attack by a drone” on Saturday had caused a large fire on the oil tanker in the eastern Mediterranean, near the port of Baniyas. Iranian media tried yesterday to row back on the claims of a military strike, saying instead that a welding accident had caused the fire. However, analysts suggested that may be an attempt to cover a more serious incident that had happened despite Syrian government forces and their Russian allies being in the area. The vessel was initially described as Iranian but has been identified as the Wisdom, a Panamanian-flagged tanker based in Beirut that has been helping Iranian vessels to deliver oil to President Assad’s Syrian regime.

COMMENT

This incident comes three days after a Syrian officer was killed and three soldiers wounded in missile strikes launched by Israel, in response to a surface-to-air missile being fired from Syria toward the southern Negev desert, where the Dimona nuclear reactor is located. The exchange of fire came less than two weeks after Iran accused Israel of “terrorism” following an explosion at the Islamic republic’s Natanz nuclear facility. There are been a number of tit for tat attacks between Israel and Iran on ships in the Mediterranean and the Gulf region. This is possibly just the latest. Talks on the Iranian deal with America are stumbling as Tehran wants all sanctions lifted before a deal is struck. Biden wants Iran’s support for terror groups added to a new agreement. The Bible says a treacherous Iranian deal will unravel and lead to conflict.

BIBLE QUOTE

A grievous vision is declared unto me; the treacherous dealer dealeth treacherously, and the spoiler spoileth. Go up, O Elam: besiege, O Media; all the sighing thereof have I made to cease. Therefore are my loins filled with pain: pangs have taken hold upon me, as the pangs of a woman that travaileth: I was bowed down at the hearing of it; (Isaiah 21:2-3)

HMS Queen Elizabeth to stand up against Kremlin in show of British seapower

The Times, April 26, 2021



EVENT

HMS Queen Elizabeth will lead the Royal Navy's new carrier strike group as it sets sail next month on its maiden operational deployment in what is billed as the "largest concentration of maritime and air power to leave the UK in a generation". The £3 billion warship, with eight RAF F35B stealth fighter jets on board, will head the group, which includes six navy ships, 14 helicopters, a company of Royal Marines and a submarine armed with Tomahawk cruise missiles. Part of the carrier strike group (CSG) will peel off and head to the Black Sea to support Nato maritime security operations amid tensions between Russia and Ukraine. HMS Queen Elizabeth will not enter the Black Sea, because of an international treaty prohibiting it from doing so. Units from the strike group are expected to visit more than 40 countries including India, Japan and Singapore, undertaking over 70 engagements, according to the Ministry of Defence.

COMMENT

Ben Wallace, UK defence secretary said: "When our carrier strike group sets sail next month, it will be flying the flag for global Britain — projecting our influence, signalling our power, engaging with our friends and reaffirming our commitment to addressing the security challenges of today and tomorrow. The entire nation can be proud of the dedicated men and women who for more than six months will demonstrate to the world that the UK is not stepping back but sailing forth to play an active role in shaping the international system of the 21st century." Interesting that just as Brexit has occurred Britain is seeking once again to play a global role in the world using ships as a way of projecting power. The Bible says though the the ships of Tarshish will be brought low.

BIBLE QUOTE

For the day of the LORD of hosts shall be upon every one that is proud and lofty, and upon every one that is lifted up; ... And upon all the ships of Tarshish [Britain], and upon all pleasant pictures. And the loftiness of man shall be bowed down, and the haughtiness of men shall be made low: and the LORD alone shall be exalted in that day. *(Isaiah 2:12-17)*

Joe Biden signals a new approach towards Turkey

The Interpreter, April 30, 2021



EVENT

Joe Biden fulfilled a campaign promise on 24 April, one that several of his predecessors had demurred on, when he **recognised the Armenian genocide of 1915**. In a carefully worded statement, released on the anniversary of the tragic events, Biden acknowledged the Armenians who were “deported, massacred, or marched to their deaths in a campaign of extermination” in eastern Anatolia, in what is now Turkey. Biden’s announcement came the day after he first made **phone contact with Turkey’s President Recep Tayyip Erdoğan**. Erdoğan declared that Biden’s statement was “**unfounded and unfair**” and would put US-Turkey relations on a difficult road. The Biden phone call to Erdoğan had been a long time coming. It is customary for newly incumbent US presidents to contact world leaders. To whom and in what order they make calls is indicative of foreign policy priorities and **how strongly the US values their relationships**.

COMMENT

Turkey **has in the past** been a long standing ally of the US. And one would have imagined therefore that Turkey would have been **near the top of Biden’s list**. **Obama** not only called Erdoğan but actually **addressed Turkey’s parliament**. **Trump** apparently **spoke to Erdoğan with some regularity** and applauded his strong-man persona. Biden is clearly taking a new approach to Turkey. It is not entirely unexpected that he initially gave Erdoğan the cold shoulder. **In a 2020 interview, he expressed misgivings about Turkey’s increasingly adventurist foreign policy** and about Erdoğan, calling the **Turkish president an “autocrat”**. With Bible in hand we know that **Turkey forms part of the Russian alliance that invade Israel**. We have long expected therefore Turkey to move away from the US and come under Russian influence. We are seeing this happen.

BIBLE QUOTE

and I will bring thee forth, and all thine army, horses and horsemen, all of them clothed with all sorts of armour, even a great company with bucklers and shields, all of them handling swords: Persia, Ethiopia, and Libya with them; all of them with shield and helmet: Gomer, and all his bands; **the house of Togarmah [Turkey] of the north quarters,** (Ezekiel 38:15-16)

Biden ready to meet Vladimir Putin in June, says Moscow

The Times, April 26, 2021



EVENT

President Biden has offered to **meet President Putin face-to-face in June** to defuse escalating tensions between their two nations, a senior Kremlin aide said yesterday. The US leader, who marks his first 100 days in office on Friday, has had to contend with Russia's aggressive posturing towards Ukraine and its brutal treatment of the opposition leader Alexei Navalny, as well as the continued fallout from the alleged Russian hacking of American elections and government agencies. Biden, 78, is expected to **attend the G7 summit** in Cornwall on June 11-13 and then **visit Brussels to meet EU and Nato leaders**. His first overseas trip as president will emphasise America's **close ties** to its traditional allies after the retreat from its global leadership role under President Trump. **That agenda could be overshadowed by a high-stakes meeting with his Russian counterpart**. When Jen Psaki, the White House press secretary, unveiled the itinerary on Friday she added that there would be "further details to share about this trip soon,". That prompted speculation about a meeting with Putin.

COMMENT

The former Russian president and prime minister **Dmitry Medvedev** said in an article published this week by state media that **relations between the two superpowers had "shifted from rivalry to confrontation"**, adding that any improvement in the situation would depend on whether the Biden administration had the "wisdom of compromise". Putin has responded to the offer of a phonecall with a "chilling response" according to some news agencies. Russia launched a supersonic missile the Black Sea this week. The Vulkan firing comes shortly before the arrival of two Royal Navy warships amid deep tension in Ukraine over fears of a Russian invasion. **Whatever Biden does we know it will fail because the Bible says there will be a clash between them...**

BIBLE QUOTE

And at the time of the end shall **the king of the south push at him [Gog]**: and the king of the north shall come against him like a whirlwind, with chariots, and with horsemen, and with many ships; and he shall enter into the countries, and shall overflow and pass over. He shall enter also into the glorious land [Israel], and many countries shall be overthrown: (Daniel 11:40-41)

2020 was Europe's hottest year on record - EU scientists

Reuters, April 22, 2021



EVENT

Europe experienced its hottest year on record last year, while the Arctic suffered a summer of extreme wildfires partly due to low snow cover as climate change impacts intensified, the European Union's observation service said on Thursday. As world leaders prepared to brandish their plans to fight climate change at a U.S.-led summit on Thursday, EU scientists issued a stark reminder that the impacts of a warmer world are already here. Europe's average annual temperature in 2020 was the highest on record and at least 0.4 degrees Celsius above the next five warmest years -- all of which took place in the last decade, the Copernicus Earth observation service said. "Temperatures are increasing in all seasons in Europe," said Freja Vamborg, senior scientist at Copernicus. Copernicus' temperature records go back to 1950. But last year was also Europe's hottest on record when checked against datasets beginning in 1850, it said.

COMMENT

Globally, Copernicus Earth said 2020 was one of the world's three hottest years on record, confirming findings released this week by the World Meteorological Organization. The average temperature in Arctic Siberia last year broke records by a large margin at 4.3 degrees Celsius above the 1981-2020 average. The physical earth itself is warning mankind that all is not well. The planet is laden down with sin, corruption and godlessness. Mankind is slowly but surely destroying the earth. We know if Jesus Christ did not intervene by returning to the earth that mankind would one day destroy every living creature on it. We are told this in Matthew 24. No flesh would be saved during the coming time of trouble. But thanks be to God – Christ WILL return...

BIBLE QUOTE

For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be. And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.

(Matthew 24:21-22)

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