

This Week's Developments

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Hezbollah chief strengthens anti-Israel terror alliance

Israel News, September 3, 2023



EVENT

Hassan Nasrallah, the head of the powerful Iranian-backed terror organization Hezbollah, reportedly met with Palestinian Islamic Jihad (PIJ) Sec.-Gen. Ziyad al-Nakhalah and the deputy head of the Political Bureau of Hamas in Lebanon, Ismail Haniyeh. **The purpose of the high-level trilateral meeting was reportedly to strengthen the Iranian-coordinated terror alliance against Israel.** The three terror groups reportedly also discussed “political developments especially in Palestine, with a joint assessment of the situation in the West Bank and the escalation of resistance movement there and the recent Israeli threats.” Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu blamed Iran and its terrorist proxies for the escalating terrorism in the West Bank. The Israeli premier warned that Israel could potentially respond by striking terror chiefs based in Lebanon and the Gaza Strip. Nasrallah responded by warning Jerusalem against targeted assassinations in Lebanon and Gaza and further denied that Iran was behind the increasing number of terror attacks against Israelis in the West Bank.

COMMENT

There can be no doubt we are reading here about the same events described in Psalm 83. Notice how this “trilateral meeting” is an “alliance against Israel.” Psalm 83 speaks of Israel’s “enemies”, “consulting together” and “taking crafty council”. They are of “one consent”, they are “confederate against” Israel. And what is their goal? They say “let us cut off Israel from being a nation,” so that “the name of Israel is no longer remembered.” And who are the people described in Psalm 83 as coming together as an unholy alliance against Israel? It’s the very people described as meeting in Lebanon last week. The inhabitants of Tyre (Hezbollah), Philistines (Palestinians) etc. The inner ring war...

BIBLE QUOTE

For, lo, thine enemies make a tumult:**They have taken crafty counsel against thy people, and consulted against thy hidden ones. 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: *(Psalm 83:2-5)*

Netanyahu furious at White House snub

The Times, September 4, 2023



Binyamin Netanyahu has yet to receive an invitation to the White House eight months after becoming prime minister again and may have to make do with meeting President Biden at the UN General Assembly in New York later this month. The unusual delay has been interpreted in Israel as a humiliating snub for the prime minister, who is on trial on corruption charges. Netanyahu has been angling for an invitation to the White House since his return to office at the end of last year after a period of 18 months in opposition. Israeli prime ministers are invited to the White House at the start of their term as a matter of routine. Biden, a self-avowed Zionist who has met every Israeli prime minister in the past 50 years — going back to Golda Meir, who resigned in 1974 — has so far put off inviting Netanyahu. The omission by the White House is being seen as a protest against the inclusion of far-right parties in Netanyahu’s coalition, which Biden has called Israel’s “most extreme”, and a sign of his displeasure at the new government’s plans to weaken Israel’s Supreme Court.

COMMENT

President Joe Biden next week will hold his first face-to-face meeting with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu since the Israeli leader came back into office. Biden will meet Netanyahu on the sidelines of the United Nations General Assembly. Netanyahu has still not been invited to the White House since he returned to office in December. So why is this significant? The USA is Israel’s most powerful supporter and therefore Israel’s enemies might see this as an opportune time to capitalise on Israel’s isolation. Jeremiah 30 speaks of Israel being regathered into the land and all Israel’s “lovers” forgetting her – she is alone and friendless in the world and finally she turns to God.

BIBLE QUOTE

For, lo, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will bring again the captivity of my people Israel and Judah, saith the LORD: and I will cause them to return to the land that I gave to their fathers, and they shall possess it. ...**All thy lovers have forgotten thee; they seek thee not**; for I have wounded thee with the wound of an enemy,
(Jeremiah 30:3+14)

Putin issues 'serious' warning to UK

The Metro, September 12, 2023



EVENT

Vladimir Putin has accused the UK of orchestrating an attack on a Russian atomic facility in a desperate rant against Rishi Sunak's 'lack of understanding' about the war in Ukraine. The Russian president has claimed captured Ukrainian soldiers revealed they had been instructed to sabotage the facility by British secret services. He also accused the UK of 'underestimating' the consequences of orchestrating an attack, saying he was 'being provoked'. Speaking in Vladivostok, Putin said: 'Do they understand what they are playing with? 'Are they trying to provoke us into retaliating against Ukrainian atomic power stations? 'Does the British prime minister know what his secret services are doing in Ukraine?' Putin also claimed the attack could have been overseen by the US government, The Times reports. He did not specify which atomic facility was allegedly attacked. Russian forces have occupied the Zaporozhzhia nuclear station in southern Ukraine for more than a year.

COMMENT

Putin is becoming increasingly desperate as Russia loses ground in Ukraine. Many fear that he will create another catastrophe as he did when the dam was blown up flooding a huge area of Ukraine destroying many villages and towns. One such fear is that Russia (who occupy the largest nuclear facility in Europe) might cause a nuclear disaster and blame Ukraine or another nation for doing so. This week Putin has said who he will blame if/when it happens – the UK! Putin has to win this war (or achieve some stalemate he can call success) or else he is finished. We know Russia will invade Israel so the war in Ukraine will probably have come to a standoff at that point. The Bible says Putin [Gog] will use shocking destruction - he has and he will...

BIBLE QUOTE

He will become very strong, but not by his own power. He will cause astounding devastation and will succeed in whatever he does. He will destroy those who are mighty, the holy people. He will cause deceit to prosper, and he will consider himself superior.

(Daniel 8:24-25 NLT)

Von der Leyen calls for EU expansion in state of union speech

The Times, September 14, 2023



EVENT

Europe must answer the “call of history” with “complete union” and further enlargement, Ursula von der Leyen has said. In her annual “state of the union” speech, von der Leyen set out a radical programme for EU integration but declined to say if she wanted a second term as president of the European Commission. Von der Leyen, 64, must decide in the coming months whether to stay on for another five years or seek another big role, such as secretary-general of Nato. She backed expanding the EU to include Ukraine and the western Balkans, giving the union new “geopolitical weight” by increasing its membership from its post-Brexit 27 to a “Team Europe of 30-plus”. “In a world where size and weight matters, it is clearly in Europe’s strategic and security interests to complete our union,” she told MEPs at the European parliament in Strasbourg. “I believe that the next enlargement must also be a catalyst for progress. That means answering practical questions about how a union of over 30 countries will work in practice.”

COMMENT

One of the impacts of the war in Ukraine is that Europe is once again looking to strengthen its union – both militarily and politically. Ursula von der Leyen the president of the EU said, “It is time for Europe to once again think big and write our own destiny.” The Bible speaks of a resurrected Holy Roman Empire existing at the time of the end. Revelation speaks of a “beast” in Revelation 17. The beast with 7 heads and 10 horns takes us back to Daniel ch 7 - the 4th beast with 10 horns is symbolic of the Roman Empire. The beast therefore in Revelation 17 links to the Roman Empire. It is possible that the final coming together is of 10 EU nations – and they make war against Christ...

BIBLE QUOTE

And the ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast. **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:
(Revelation 17:12-14)

Libya flooding deaths top 11,000 with another 10,000 missing

ABC News, September 15, 2023



EVENT

The death toll from devastating floods in eastern Libya has surpassed 11,000, according to the Libyan Red Crescent, as rescuers desperately try to help those who managed to survive the disaster. The Libyan Red Crescent said Friday that at least 11,300 people had died and another 10,100 were reported missing. Mediterranean storm Daniel is behind the widespread flooding in the North African nation, as it washed away entire neighborhoods over the weekend and swept bodies out to sea. "Whenever you see a search and rescue team you will see families standing there with tears in their eyes asking for support and hoping that they will basically find one of their family members alive," Burnaz said. "If you see the amount of destruction and the area that's been destroyed -- it's big. You can see cars in the third and fourth floors of the building stuck there ... it was massive, like something never seen before," Burnaz said.

COMMENT

In the last Weekly World Watch we reported that Libya's unity government had announced a "complete rejection" of normalisation with Israel. The headline in the Jerusalem Post on August 31st was "Libya rejects peace with Israel." 10 days later Libya suffered unprecedented rainfall and flooding killing over 10,000 people. Storm Daniel (Daniel means "God is my judge") was the immediate cause of the disaster. One year's rainfall fell in 24 hours. This caused 2 dams to collapse. Due to the turmoil and corruption in Libya the dams had not been maintained correctly. Some may not like to link God to these events and see it as random natural disaster. Others see God's hand behind these things as part of the signs and wonders which are designed to warn mankind of nearing judgement. [CLICK HERE](#) to watch a new video on this subject....

BIBLE QUOTE

"Son of man, if a country sins against me by being unfaithful and I stretch out my hand against it to cut off its food supply and send famine upon it and kill its people and their animals, even if these three men—Noah, Daniel[a] and Job—were in it, they could save only themselves by their righteousness, declares the Sovereign Lord. (See also Luke 13:4-5) *(Ezekiel 14:13-14 NIV)*

The world has experienced its hottest ever three-month period – what comes next?

The Telegraph, September 13, 2023

Global surface air temperature



EVENT The confirmation came last week: this summer, experienced its hottest three-month period on record – and by quite a margin. From June through to August, the global temperature was more than half a degree above average, at 16.7C. The impacts of this hot spell have been hard to ignore: wildfires in Greece, Canada and Hawaii, which are estimated to have killed hundreds, endless drought in East Africa, warming of the oceans, and so much more. There have been other extreme weather events, too, which have unleashed similar levels of death and destruction over the past three months – from flooding across Pakistan, Spain and China, to fearsome typhoons in the Pacific. “Climate breakdown has begun,” António Guterres, secretary-general of the United Nations, said in a statement last week.

COMMENT France, Greece, Italy, Spain, Algeria and Tunisia all reported new heat records, comfortably above 40C, and temperatures even topped 50C in Iran, China, Turkey and Morocco. Finding safe and reliable water supplies for drought-stricken communities is already becoming increasingly difficult as a result of soaring temperatures. But as the world heats up, experts fear such an experience will become commonplace. Currently, some 1.1 billion people worldwide lack access to water. Yet by 2050, more than three-quarters of the global population could be affected by drought, according to the UN. Jesus says that before he returns there will be famine and pestilences / plagues. The world has famine now but it could easily get a lot worse. We are seeing “fearful sight and great signs” - all pointing to worldwide contractions that lead to the return of Jesus.

BIBLE QUOTE Then said he unto them, Nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: And great earthquakes shall be in divers places, and famines, and pestilences; and fearful sights and great signs shall there be from heaven. From heaven means “from God”.

(Luke 21:10-11)

ADDITIONAL AND SUPPORTING ARTICLES

DebkaFile Review (world events through the bi-focals of Israeli military intelligence) **TV-7 Israel News** **Watchman Newscast**

2023-09-16 China & Russia have 'unstoppable' Hypersonic Missiles which are ready to use! - WION - 4.10 min - YouTube

2023-09-15 US to Probe Elon Musk's Ukraine Decision - Vantage with Palki Sharma - 6.35 min - YouTube

2023-09-15 Russia to enter theatre of war in Korean peninsula- - What's Kim-Putin game plan- - WION - 4.20 min - YouTube

2023-09-15 Gravitas- Xi Jinping in trouble- Has CCP's top leadership turned against Xi - 4.20 min - YouTube

2023-09-14 Summer 2023- the hottest on record - Copernicus- YouTube

2023-09-10 Money Matters, an IMF Exhibit -- The Importance of Global Cooperation, Reinventing the System (1972-1981)

2023-09-10 How the BRICS nations failed to rebuild the global financial order

2023-09-09 Climate change - Population Matters

2023-09-09 Why is Putin cosyng up to North Korea's Kim Jong-Un - WION - 6.29 min - YouTube

2023-09-09 Why are Saudi Arabia & Russia still cutting oil production- - Inside Story - 28.00 min - YouTube

2023-09-09 G20 SUMMIT - What impact will the absence of China and Russia's leaders have - 4.57 min - YouTube

2023-09-07 US Banking Crisis- Why are American Banks Stashing More Cash - 5.28 min - YouTube

2023-09-06 US slams 'unlawful' China map showing claims over South China Sea - WION - 2.21 min - YouTube

2023-09-02 China claims parts of India, Russia in a new map - This World - 12.03 min - YouTube

2023-09-01 China's new map outrages its neighbors

2023-08-23 Brics - The G-7 Economic Alliance's Rival, Explained - WSJ - 4.55 min - YouTube

2023-08-23 BRICS summit- Bloc announces 6 new members including Saudi Arabia and Iran • FRANCE 24 - 4.13 min - YouTube

2023-07-15 Why allowing Ukraine to ship grain during Russia's war matters to the world - AP News

2023-07-15 Israel's Netanyahu is rushed to hospital for dehydration. Hours later, he says he feels 'very good' - AP News

Animated Map - Indo-European migrations - File-Indo-European migrations.gif - Wikipedia

NATO PRESENCE IN EASTERN EUROPE



- Frankish Territory in 481
- Conquests of Clovis 481-511
- Conquests 531-614
- Conquests 714-768
- Conquests of Charlemagne 768-814
- Dependent territories
- Peoples tributary to Charlemagne
- Kingdom of Siagrius in 486
- Visigothic kingdom of Toulouse in 507
- Boundaries of the empire in 814



Carolingian Empire 481-814



2) Gog (Russia) advances on Turkey, Egypt *



RUSSIA ("CHIEF PRINCE" = "PRINCE OF ROSH")

○ TOBOLSK (Tubal)

○ MOSCOW (Meshech)

"LION"
TARSHISH
UK

"YOUNG LIONS"
(USA,
CANADA,
ETC)

GERMANY
(LAND OF
MAGOG)

GOMER
European Economic Community

Gibraltar

TURKEY
(Togarmah)

IRAQ/IRAN
(Persia)

INDIA

LIBYA

DEDAN

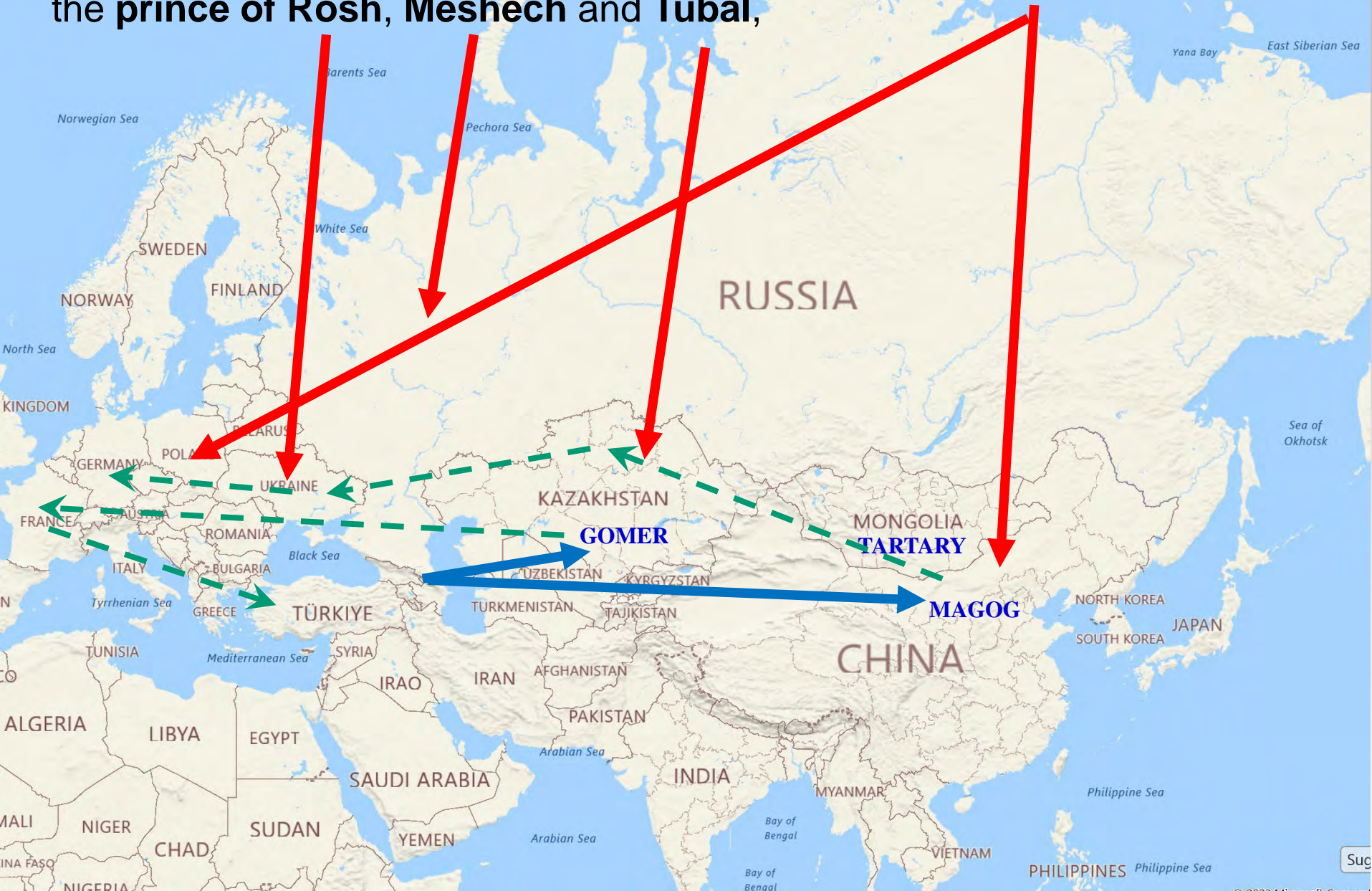
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ETHIOPIA

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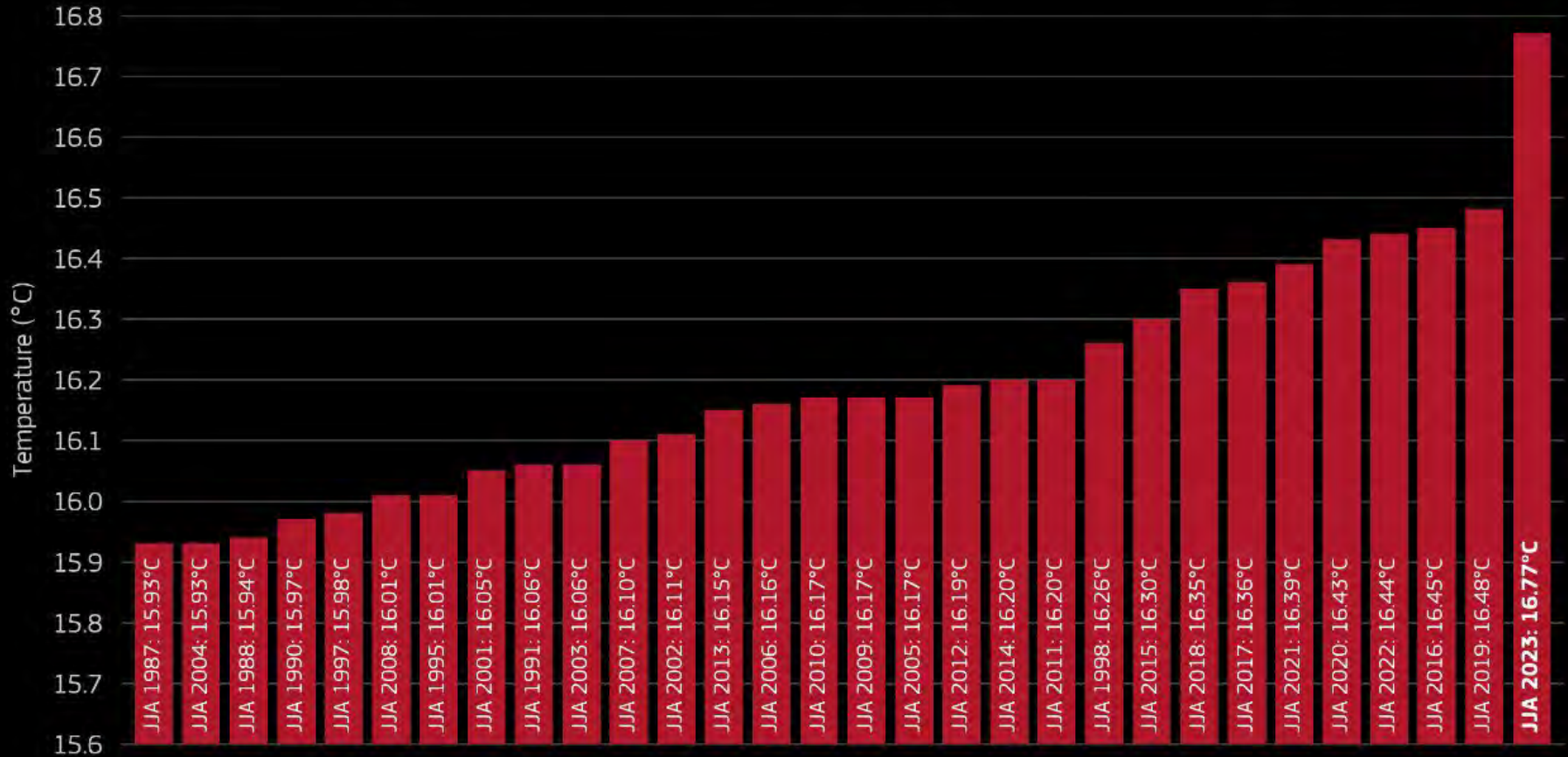
"Son of man, set your face toward **Gog of the land of Magog,**
the **prince of Rosh, Meshech and Tubal,**



"Son of man, set thy face against Gog (head), of the land of Magog (China?), prince of Ros (river in Ukraine) Meshech and Tubal (rivers in Russia)?"

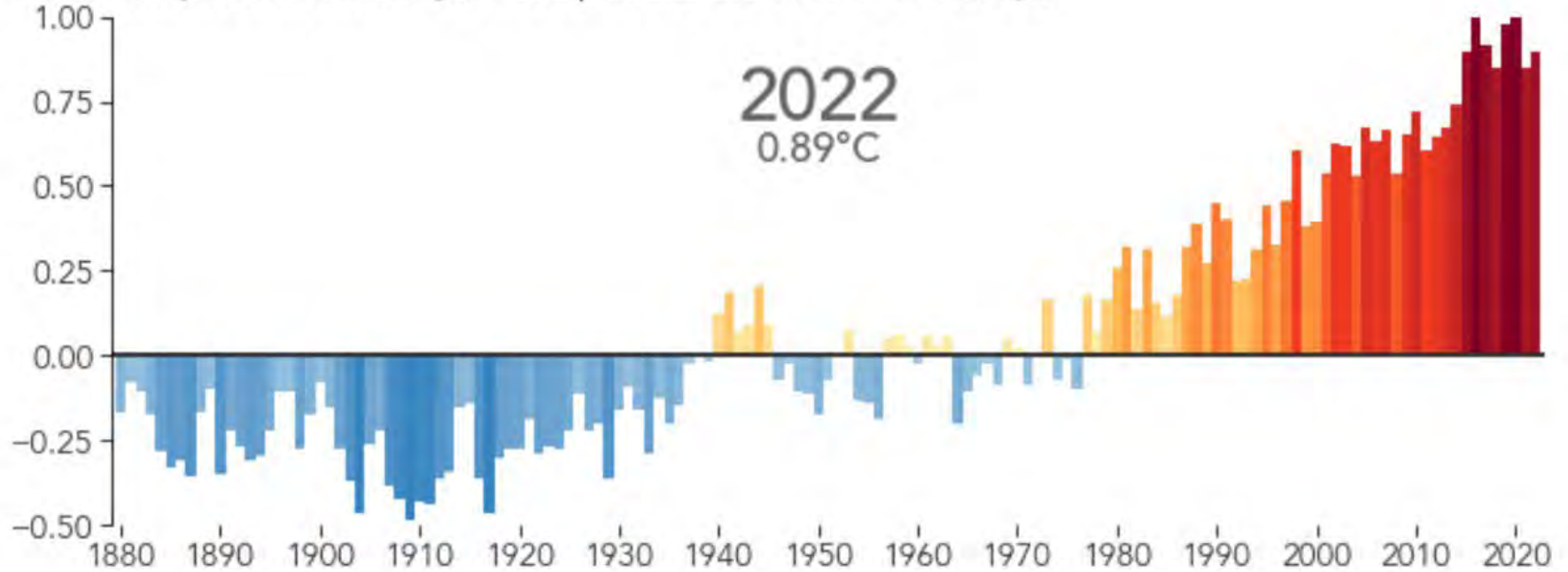
THE 30 WARMEST BOREAL SUMMERS (JJA) GLOBALLY

Data: Global-mean surface air temperatures from ERA5 • Credit: C3S/ECMWF



Last 9 Years Warmest on Record

Global Temperature Anomaly (°C compared to the 1951-1980 average)



Why should we care about one or two degrees of global warming? After all, temperatures fluctuate by many degrees every day where we live. The temperatures we experience locally and in short periods can fluctuate significantly due to predictable, cyclical events (night and day, summer and winter) and hard-to-predict wind and precipitation patterns. But the global temperature mainly depends on how much energy the planet receives from the Sun and how much it radiates back into space. The energy coming from the Sun fluctuates very little by year, while the amount of energy radiated by Earth is closely tied to the chemical composition of the atmosphere—particularly the amount of heat-trapping greenhouse gases. A one-degree *global* change is significant because it takes a vast amount of heat to warm all of the oceans, the atmosphere, and the land masses by that much.

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Israel officially asks US to send over 25 more F-35 fighter jets

The Times of Israel, Sept 03, 2023



EVENT

Israel remains the only country in the Middle East to have the world's most advanced fighter jet in its arsenal, and claims to have been the first country to use the F-35 in combat. Israel will buy its third fleet of F-35 stealth fighter jets in a deal worth \$3bn that will be financed through US military aid, according to the Israeli military. Israel's Ministry of Defence approved the purchase on Sunday, with the additional 25 aircraft manufactured by Lockheed Martin to bring the number of F-35 jets in Israel's air force to 75. "This new agreement will ensure the continuation of cooperation between American companies and Israeli defence industries in the production of aircraft parts," the ministry said in a statement. The United Arab Emirates has long sought to buy F-35 jets from the US, but the Gulf nation's ties to China have meant no deal has yet gone through. The fighter jet is considered the world's most advanced, capable of gathering intelligence, striking deep into enemy territory and engaging in air duels. It is also known as the Joint Strike Fighter and, in Israel, by its Hebrew name Adir, or Mighty. Earlier on Sunday, Israeli fighter jets launched an attack on a Syrian air defence battery from which an anti-aircraft missile was launched towards Israel. Israel has ramped up attacks on Syrian airports and air bases to disrupt Iran's increasing use of aerial supply lines to deliver arms to allies in Syria and Lebanon, including Lebanon's Hezbollah

COMMENT

What is interesting about this is that in spite of the cooling off of US/Israeli relations, the US is still funding Israel's military requirements to the tune of a huge amount of cash! There is no doubt about the commitment of the US to support Israel in spite of them being at odds & in the middle of a significant disagreement about how Israel is conducting their political affairs. The US administration is pushing hard, with Israeli support, for an Israeli-Saudi connection. One of the requirements for the Saudi connection the US is pushing appears to be the creation of a Palestinian state which is a thorn in the side for the Israeli gov't.; however, Israel is in the middle of settling an internal political crisis using a solution that is most unpalatable for the US. And In spite of all this, the US and Israel remain indelibly connected.

BIBLE QUOTE

At that time evil thoughts will come to your (Russia/China?) mind, and you will devise a wicked scheme. You will say, 'Israel is an unprotected land filled with unwallled villages! I will march against her and destroy these people ... But Sheba and Dedan (Saudi Arabia) and the merchants of Tarshish (US & UK?) will ask, 'Do you really think the armies you have gathered can rob them of silver and gold? Do you think you can drive away their livestock and seize their goods and carry off plunder?'
- Eze 38:10,11,13 - NLT