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Superpower humbled and currency shattered

The Times, April 11, 2025



EVENT

President Trump's tariff war is being described as America's Suez crisis — the moment when long-held global perceptions of a reliable superpower and its mighty currency were shattered in a single week. The claim comes after the aggressive protectionism that Trump envisaged making the United States more prosperous and self-reliant instead highlighted the vulnerabilities of its economy, forced a retreat from higher-level tariffs and increased borrowing costs. Trump's policies were defended by his team, which insisted it could make "90 deals in 90 days" to satisfy all the countries clamouring for a reduction in the tariff rates announced on April 2. His advisers maintain it was his strategy all along to use tariffs to drive countries to reform their trading practices, which he blames for "ripping off" America. But at the end of the most consequential week of Trump's second presidency, the US is embroiled in a high-stakes trade battle with China and has the greatest average level of tariffs for almost a century despite the three-month pause on the higher rates to allow for negotiations.

COMMENT

Whatever Trump's strategy is (or was) for putting tariffs on every country in the world the fact is it has caused untold damage to the global economy and created huge destabilisation. The one thing that economies, financial institutions and business's want is stability and confidence. Both these have been massively eroded and some analysts say the world will head into recession even though Trump has reduced tariffs for most down to 10%. Israel was shocked at being hit with 17% tariffs but this goes to show that for Trump it is money and "the deal" that drive him – nothing else. The Bible says there will be a great financial crisis at the time of the end. Trump might help bring this about.

BIBLE QUOTE

And when **money failed in the land of Egypt**, and in the land of Canaan, all the Egyptians came unto Joseph, and said, Give us bread: for why should we die in thy presence? for the money faileth. **Joseph is a "type" of Christ. Egypt is a "type" of the world. Money failed in Egypt and the people had to turn to Joseph to save them. This will be repeated in the last days...** (Genesis 47:15)

Carney's Checkmate - How Canada's Quiet Bond Play Forced Trump to Drop Tariffs

Walla Walla County Democrats, April 11, 2025



EVENT

Trump blinked. It wasn't loud. It wasn't a tweetstorm or a rally rant. The tariff threats that had the world on edge—125% on China, 25% on Canada's autos, a global trade war in the making—suddenly softened. A "pause," he called it. A complete turnaround from...the past week. And the reason? Mark Carney and a slow, deliberate financial maneuver that most people didn't even notice: the coordinated Treasury bond slow bleed. Rewind a bit. While Trump was gearing up his trade war machine, Carney was quietly increasing Canada's holdings of U.S. Treasury bonds — over \$350 billion worth, part of the \$8.53 trillion foreign countries hold in U.S. debt. On the surface, it looked [benign] - like a safe hedge against economic chaos. But it wasn't just defense. It was a loaded gun. Carney...took his case to Europe...for closed-door meetings with the EU's heavy hitters — Germany, France, the Netherlands, Japan. The pitch was simple: if Trump went too far with tariffs, Canada would start offloading Treasury bonds. A signal to the markets that the U.S. dollar's perch wasn't so secure. Japan, holding over \$1 trillion in US bonds, started to sell; Key EU countries - collectively sitting on another \$1.5 trillion US Bonds - nodded in agreement. This wasn't a bluff. Trump announced a "pause"!

COMMENT

Is it Britain or the US that is "Tarshish"? Are these events working up to a status "reset"? This treasury bond move (which barely scratches the surface of its full potential) has implications to seriously affect the status of the US dollar – largely responsible for US world dominance. If the US dollar were weakened sufficiently, it opens the door to BRICS or EU currency dominance. It is interesting that it is Canada (a "Commonwealth" country) & the UK that is the push behind this move. Carney initially spent 13 years at Goldman Sachs working in their Boston, London, New York City, Tokyo, and Toronto offices, then served as the 8th governor of the Bank of Canada from 2007 to 2013, and 120th governor of the Bank of England from 2013 to 2020 where he oversaw the finances of the Brexit move. With his knowledge of global finances he may be well positioned as a pawn in the Divine purpose.

BIBLE QUOTE

Sheba, and Dedan, and the [merchants of Tarshish](#), with all the [young lions](#) thereof... (Ezek 38:13)

US and Iran to begin critical nuclear talks as Trump threatens war

CNN, April 12, 2025



EVENT

Iran and the United States begin high-stakes talks to reach a new nuclear deal on Saturday foreshadowed by President Trump's threat of military strikes as a consequence of failure and Tehran's warning any attack on it would drag the US into a broader Middle Eastern conflict. The meeting, to be held in the Gulf Arab nation of Oman, could be the first direct talks between Iranian and American officials in a decade, though Iran insists they will be indirect – with mediators acting as go-betweens for the two nations. An Iranian delegation led by Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi arrived in Oman's capital, Muscat, on Saturday morning, Iran's state news agency IRNA reported. President Donald Trump has given Iran a two-month deadline to accept a deal that would lead to Iran shrinking its nuclear footprint or eliminating its program altogether. The talks come after the Islamic Republic has seen its regional power projection significantly weakened over the past 18 months by Israeli strikes on its proxies, the toppling of Bashar al-Assad in Syria, and unprecedented attacks inside its own borders.

COMMENT

Trump does NOT want war with Iran. Trump loathes war. It is expensive and burns money and therefore does not really make sense to him. So despite threatening war he really does want a deal with Iran. He has said so this week. Iran might also want a deal at this time because it is massively weakened due to the inner ring war around Israel. Iran's proxy armies have been left decimated by Israel and also Iran's own air defences have been crippled by Israeli attacks as well. We wait to see what the talks today bring about. With Bible in hand we are told that that Iran makes a "treacherous deal" and they besiege the Persian Gulf. Iran will break any deal made and it will lead to war....

BIBLE QUOTE

The burden of the desert of the sea [Persian Gulf]. As whirlwinds in the south pass through; so it cometh from the desert, from a terrible land. 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. **Elam & Medes = Iran** *(Isaiah 21:1-2)*

Iran warns neighbours not to help US if it attacks

The Times, April 6, 2025



EVENT

Iran has warned its neighbours in the Gulf with American military bases not to be involved in any potential strike — days after raising its alert level as the US increased its military presence in the region. Iran issued notices to Iraq, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar, Turkey and Bahrain to warn them against allowing the US use of air space or territory lest it be considered an act of hostility, an Iranian official said. Analysts believe that Iran, having lost its frontline offensive with the weakening of Hezbollah in Lebanon and the defeat of Bashar al-Assad in Syria, will want to cling to its nuclear programme as its last military strategy. “Iran had wanted to extend a nuclear umbrella over its terrorist proxies as they attack Israel and moderate Sunni states. Iran will therefore want to cling to its nuclear programme as the anchor for its planned recovery and to draw out talks with the Trump administration to gain time and legitimacy for its alarming nuclear progress,” said Yaakov Lappin, an Israeli security analyst.

COMMENT

Iran made a nuclear deal back in 2015 with the US (under Obama), the European Union, Russia and China in return for a lack of sanctions but Trump tore it up seven years ago. It is possible that the “treacherous deal” mentioned in Isaiah 21 refers to this deal. It may refer to a new deal that Trump makes. Either way Iran will never give up on either wanting a nuclear weapon or trying to create one. It is the only power card it has left to try and achieve its goal of destroying Israel. Its proxy armies have failed and therefore Iran believes it must get nuclear weapons. Isaiah 21 also says that Iran will rise up and besiege the Persian Gulf where 15% of all the world’s oil passes through. It will be bring about a time of trouble when this happens. Isaiah fainted when he saw it...

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Iran defies Trump by arming proxy forces in Iraq with missiles

The Times, April 8, 2025



EVENT

Iran has transferred long-range missiles to its proxy forces in Iraq for the first time, increasing the regime's military footprint in the region even as President Trump threatens to hold Tehran accountable for the actions of its militia. The Times has learnt that Tehran has been bulking up its presence in the region by supplying a new batch of weapons to powerful Shia militias in Iraq, dashing hopes that Iran would withdraw support as it prepares to enter negotiations with the United States over its missile and nuclear programme. The weapons were transferred last week, according to regional intelligence involved in monitoring the nearly 1,000-mile border between the countries. It was the first time long-range surface-to-surface missiles had been in the possession of an Iran-allied militia in Iraq. Sources said the delivery was arranged by the Iranian Revolutionary Guards Air Force. The Houthi rebel group in Yemen and the Iran-allied militias in Iraq are seen as the last forces fighting on behalf of the regime in Iran.

COMMENT

Iraq has its own separatist armed groups allied with Iran. The Iraqi government, which still hosts American forces, has clamped down on these groups including Islamic State, leading Iran-allied militia to hunker down. Iran has decided to up the ante before the US talks by sending these long range missiles to its proxy forces in Iraq to show it can still cause America trouble in the region. Iraq's government is struggling to maintain control over its territory, with Iranian-backed militias operating within its borders. This internal instability further increases the risk of conflict. Isaiah 13 speaks of Iraq (Babylon) becoming like Sodom and Gomorrah when Iran is stirred up. Trouble is coming on Iraq.

BIBLE QUOTE

Behold, I will stir up the Medes against them, which shall not regard silver; and as for gold, they shall not delight in it. Their bows also shall dash the young men to pieces; and they shall have no pity on the fruit of the womb; their eye shall not spare children. And Babylon,shall be as when God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah. *(Isaiah 13:17-19)*

Trump: Israel would 'be the leader' of strike on Iran if nuclear talks fall apart

The Times of Israel, April 10, 2025



EVENT

US President Donald Trump said Wednesday that Israel would take a leading role in a potential military strike on Iran along with the US if upcoming nuclear talks don't succeed. The remark came two days after Trump appeared to blindside Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu by announcing alongside him at the White House that direct US-Iran talks on curbing Tehran's nuclear program would take place this coming Saturday, a timing that Netanyahu's cabinet secretary said Wednesday had taken Jerusalem by surprise. Asked by reporters in the Oval Office on Wednesday whether he would use military means against Iran if the latter doesn't agree to a nuclear deal, Trump responded: "If it requires military, we're going to have military." "Israel will obviously be very much involved in that — it'll be the leader of that," he said, in what appeared to be the first time he's explicitly threatened an Iranian strike by Israel, let alone one led by the Jewish state.

COMMENT

If it comes to military action on Iran Trump appears to want Israel to take the lead. Israel would still need US support to do this but Trump would prefer Israel to be the main operator in this conflict. US officials told the Washington Post that Trump is more eager to engage in diplomacy than bombing. Trump will use Israel as a pawn to do the "dirty work". Netanyahu met Trump at the Whitehouse on Monday and had a series of unwelcome surprises. Trump announced direct talks with Iran. Trump refused to scrap the 17% tariff on Israel. Trump praised the Turkish President Erdogan, a staunch Israel critic who has close Hamas ties. Trump does support Israel but all this shows that he does so as long as it is to his advantage. Ultimately Israel will be left completely friendless and alone – and then they will have to turn to Christ at his return.

BIBLE QUOTE

And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for him, as one mourneth for his only son, and shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is in bitterness for his firstborn.

(Zechariah 12:10)

US special envoy meets Putin as Trump urges Russia to 'get moving' on Ukraine ceasefire

BBC, April 11, 2025



EVENT

US envoy Steve Witkoff met Vladimir Putin in St Petersburg on Friday, as Donald Trump urged the Russian president to "get moving" on a ceasefire in Ukraine. The Kremlin said the meeting lasted for more than four hours and focused on "aspects of a Ukrainian settlement". The talks, Witkoff's third with Putin this year, were described by special envoy Kirill Dmitriev as "productive". Trump has expressed frustration with Putin over the state of talks. On Friday, he wrote on social media: "Russia has to get moving. Too many people are [sic] DYING, thousands a week, in a terrible and senseless war." It comes as Trump's Ukraine envoy Keith Kellogg denied suggesting the country could be partitioned. The Times said that, during an interview with the paper, Kellogg had proposed British and French troops could adopt zones of control, external in the west of Ukraine as part of a "reassurance force". Russia's army, he reportedly suggested, could then remain in the occupied east. "You could almost make it look like what happened with Berlin after World War Two", the paper quoted him as saying.

COMMENT

Trump continues to push Putin for peace while at the same time the "coalition of the willing" are drawing up plans to put troops in Ukraine. Putin is being backed into a corner on this and he will not like this at all. Putin wants to stay onside with Trump as he wants to be seen as an equal in a "multipolar" world. In other words he wants Russia to be treated as another superpower. But to get that he needs to concede to some of his demands over Ukraine. The Ukraine war will reach some negotiated standoff allowing Russia to storm south. Nations in Europe led by the UK and Germany are planning on putting troops in Ukraine which will stop Putin heading into Europe..

BIBLE QUOTE

By his cunning, he shall cause deceit to succeed under his hand, and he shall magnify himself in his heart. **He shall destroy many in a time of peace.** He shall also rise up against the Prince of princes; but he shall be broken, not by human hands. **This peace referred to here might be in Ukraine AND in Israel. A temporary time of peace and safety.** (Daniel 8:25 MEV)

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- Trump: I'll bomb Iran if it rejects my nuclear deal
- Putin begins biggest Russian military call-up in years
- Trump tariffs slam markets and shock global economy
- Netanyahu: I won't stop when Hamas ready to fall **
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Trump 'very angry' with Putin over Ukraine peace deal

The Times, March 31, 2025



EVENT

President Trump has said he was very angry with President Putin and ready to hit the Russian economy with sanctions as he appeared to express unexpected support for President Zelensky of Ukraine. Trump told NBC on Sunday that if the Kremlin and White House could not make a “deal on stopping the bloodshed in Ukraine” and that “if I think it was Russia’s fault, which it might not be”, he would “put secondary tariffs on oil, on all oil coming out of Russia”. “That would be that if you buy oil from Russia, you can’t do business in the United States,” Trump said. “You could say that I was very angry, when Putin ... started getting into Zelensky’s credibility, because that’s not going in the right direction, you understand?” Trump, who said he planned to speak to Putin in the coming days, said the Russian president was aware of his anger but added that it “dissipates quickly ... if he does the right thing”.

COMMENT

Trump is losing patience with Putin. He said this week that he is getting angry and losing patience with negotiations over the negotiations. Trump wants the war in Ukraine to end. Putin is playing for time and wants to capitalise on recent gains. Putin has demanded that Zelensky is removed from office as a condition for peace talks. This appears to be a step too far for Trump. Trump threatened to impose secondary tariffs of up to 50% on Russian oil exports if Russia continues to drag its heels. Russian press that were supportive of Trump are now starting to turn against him. With Bible in hand we know there is a king of the south “push” against Gog. A provocation. The US is part of the king of the south. In fact it is the most powerful nation in that confederacy of nations – so it makes sense that the “push” is from the US. Putin will be pushed into a peace deal....

BIBLE QUOTE

And at the time of the end shall the **king of the south push at him**: 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.

(Daniel 11:40)

Trump: I'll bomb Iran if it rejects my nuclear deal

The Telegraph, March 30, 2025



EVENT

Donald Trump has warned Iran there would be “bombing the likes of which they have never seen before” if it rejects his nuclear weapons deal. The threat comes after the US president sent a letter to Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, Iran’s Supreme Leader, giving him a deadline of two months to come to an agreement over the country’s nuclear programme. Last week, Mr Trump deployed stealth bombers to the Diego Garcia base, which the US shares with Britain, in what was thought to be a warning to Iran and its proxies. On Sunday, he told NBC in a phone call: “If they don’t make a deal, there will be bombing – and it will be bombing the likes of which they have never seen before.” While Mr Trump has said that a diplomatic solution to the Iran nuclear problem is preferable, military means are still on the table. On Sunday, Masoud Pezeshkian, the president, said that Islamic Republic rejected the option of direct talks with the US, offering Tehran’s first response to Mr Trump’s letter via mediators in Oman.

COMMENT

Satellite imagery confirms the arrival of at least four B-2 stealth bombers at Diego Garcia, a remote U.S. base in the Indian Ocean able to strike Iran. With only 20 operational B-2s in the U.S. fleet, each valued at \$2 billion, the aircraft represents a rare and potent tool for targeting fortified sites like Iran’s Natanz and Fordow nuclear complexes. Trump is using this immense force to pressure Iran to do a deal. But so far Iran has refused to even start any form of negotiation. Russia said on Thursday that threats of military strikes against its ally Iran were unacceptable and warned of catastrophic results if nuclear installations were bombed. Isaiah 21 says that Iran will act treacherously with regards to a deal and rise up and block the Persian Gulf...

BIBLE QUOTE

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(Isaiah 21:1-2)

Putin begins biggest Russian military call-up in years

BBC, April 1, 2025



EVENT

President Vladimir Putin has called up 160,000 men aged 18-30, Russia's highest number of conscripts since 2011, as the country moves to expand the size of its military. The spring call-up for a year's military service came several months after Putin said Russia should increase the overall size of its military to almost 2.39 million and its number of active servicemen to 1.5 million. That is a rise of 180,000 over the coming three years. Vice Adm Vladimir Tsimlyansky said the new conscripts would not be sent to fight in Ukraine for what Russia calls its "special military operation". However, there have been reports of conscripts being killed in fighting in Russia's border regions and they were sent to fight in Ukraine in the early months of the full-scale war. The current draft, which takes place between April and July, comes despite US attempts to forge a ceasefire in the war. Russia calls up conscripts in the spring and autumn but the latest draft of 160,000 young men is 10,000 higher than the same period in 2024.

COMMENT

Russia is launching its largest conscription drive in more than a decade, expanding its military as talks stall over a potential ceasefire in Ukraine. The Russian army has increased in size from 1 million soldiers in 2022 to a force of 1.5 million in 2025. Russia is clearly building up for an even greater war. Germany's foreign intelligence service and the country's armed forces believe that Russia views the West as a systemic enemy and "is building up its military power and preparing for a large-scale confrontation with NATO." However, the future direction of Russia is NOT heading into the West – it is heading into the South. Russia's build up now will be used ultimately to invade Israel and Egypt. This will come after it has been pressured to come to some peace deal...

BIBLE QUOTE

He shall enter also into the glorious land [Israel], and many countries shall be overthrown: but these shall escape out of his hand, even Edom, and Moab, and the chief of the children of Ammon. He shall stretch forth his hand also upon the countries: and the land of Egypt shall not escape.

(Daniel 11:41-142)

Sweeping Trump tariffs shock global economy, drawing retaliatory threats

Associated Press, April 3, 2025



EVENT United States President Donald Trump's sweeping new tariffs on American imports shocked governments and investors around the world, swiftly spurring both threats of retaliation and calls for negotiation as industries scrambled and global stocks tumbled. China accused the U.S. of "bullying" and the European Union promised "robust" countermeasures, with French officials suggesting taxes to hit U.S. tech giants. Trump imposed a 34% levy on goods from China on top of an earlier 20% tariff, as well as a 20% tariff on the EU, 24% on Japan and 25% on South Korea. "The magnitude of the rollout — both in scale and speed — wasn't just aggressive; it was a full-throttle macro disruption," Stephen Innes of SPI Asset Management said. With an average tariff of 25%-30%, the highest since the early 20th century, the U.S. has initiated a "radical policy reordering," said Deutsche Bank's Jim Reid. The head of the World Trade Organization warned that U.S. protectionist measures will likely cause global trade volumes to drop 1%.

COMMENT President Trump shocked the entire world by launching tariffs on friend and foe alike. After the second world war globalisation and free trade became the norm. Every country became dependent on other countries in incredibly complex distribution networks. It was as if all nations became one huge production machine working together. But Trump's tariffs are designed for the US to become self sufficient and manufacture everything internally. This forces all nations to look internally and do the same. This creates far more tensions between nations. It also makes the world less efficient and poorer. The Bible says that during the time of trouble there will be total worldwide financial collapse

BIBLE QUOTE Behold, the LORD maketh the earth empty, and maketh it waste, and turneth it upside down, and scattereth abroad the inhabitants thereof. And it shall be, ...as with the servant, so with his master; as with the maid, so with her mistress; as with the buyer, so with the seller; as with the lender, so with the borrower; as with the taker of usury, so with the giver of usury to him. (Isaiah 24:1-2)

Netanyahu: I won't stop when Hamas ready to fall

The Times, March 30, 2025



EVENT

Binyamin Netanyahu has said that the Israeli military would intensify its campaign in Gaza and “pound” Hamas into submission, promising to secure the release of hostages. Defying protesters, who took to the streets again on Saturday, the Israeli prime minister met his cabinet and released a video message vowing to increase the pressure on Hamas while continuing hostage negotiations. “We are negotiating under fire,” Netanyahu told his cabinet on Sunday, adding that there were “suddenly cracks” in Hamas’s leadership. “Military pressure is working,” he said. “It crushes Hamas’s military and governmental capabilities.” He said his government would “further pound Hamas and create the optimal conditions for releasing our hostages”. Israel estimated that between 20 and 24 hostages were still alive in captivity, and called on Hamas to release more as a condition for further negotiations. The Israeli cabinet also approved on Sunday a road project to run through the occupied West Bank, to allow for “the continued development of settlements in the E1 area”

COMMENT

The inner ring war which started on October 7th 2023 when Hamas committed the worst massacre of Jews since the Holocaust is still underway. Israel will not stop until the hostages are released and Hamas is removed from power. This week Israel has restarted ground operations in the northern Gaza Strip. Israeli officials vowed this week to seize large swathes of the strip as security zones. Friday also saw escalations on other fronts in the regional conflagration. In Lebanon on Friday, the Israeli military said it had killed a senior Hamas commander in an airstrike on the southern city of Sidon. Israel is burning up the nearby people right and left and Jerusalem remains secure....

BIBLE QUOTE

“On that day I will make the clans of Judah like a firepot in a woodpile, like a flaming torch among sheaves. **They will consume all the surrounding peoples right and left**, but Jerusalem will remain intact in her place.

(Zechariah 12:6)

Syria condemns 'unjustified' Israeli strikes as tensions rise

BBC, April 3, 2025



EVENT

Syria has strongly condemned a fresh wave of Israeli strikes on airbases and other military sites overnight as an "unjustified escalation". The foreign ministry said the attacks almost destroyed Hama airbase and injured dozens of people. A monitoring group reported that four defence ministry personnel were killed. Israel's military said it hit "capabilities that remained" at the western Hama and central T4 airbases, along with military infrastructure in Damascus. It also said Israeli forces killed gunmen during a ground operation in Deraa province, where authorities put the death toll at nine. It came amid reports that Turkey was moving to station jets and air defences at Syrian airbases. Israel's defence minister warned Syria's interim President Ahmed al-Sharaa on Thursday that he would "pay a very heavy price" if he allowed "forces hostile to Israel" to enter the country. The Israeli military has carried out hundreds of strikes across Syria to destroy military assets - including jets, tanks, missiles, air defence systems, weapons factories and research centres - since former president Bashar al-Assad's regime was overthrown.

COMMENT

At some point the inner ring war will suck into the vortex other nations - including Syria and Jordan. This war between Israel's nearby neighbours is detailed in Zechariah 12, Psalm 83, Isaiah 17, Zephaniah 2, Amos 1 and many other places. It is a conflict that we have long said would happen before Russia and its allies (the outer circle war) takes place. It is a war that will see a temporary time of peace and security for Israel - which potentially comes at the same time as some "peace" in Ukraine. With Russia freed up but left raging about that outcome and with a spoil to be taken from Israel - Putin will decide to race south like a storm. Damascus will be destroyed prior to this...

BIBLE QUOTE

A prophecy against Damascus: "See, **Damascus will no longer be a city but will become a heap of ruins**. The cities of Aroer will be deserted and left to flocks, which will lie down, with no one to make them afraid. The fortified city will disappear from Ephraim, and royal power from Damascus; the remnant of Aram will be like the glory of the Israelites," declares the Lord Almighty. (Isaiah 17:1-2)

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- Lebanon warns of new war as Israel carries out strikes
- Iran shows missile city packed with ballistic weapons
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- US rejects Putin call over Ukrainian leadership
- Myanmar earthquake kills more than 1,000 (+/-3800) **
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Trump says more countries will join Abraham Accords 'soon'

World Israel News, March 25, 2025



EVENT

President Donald Trump announced on Monday that more Arab and Muslim countries will join the Abraham Accords and normalize relations with Israel in the near future. In 2020, Trump brokered the historic agreement, which saw the **Gulf kingdoms of the United Arab Emirates and Bahrain**, along with Morocco and Sudan, officially recognize Israel for the first time since the Jewish state was established in 1948. "You're going to see countries start to fill up the Abraham Accords; more and more countries want to join," The National quoted Trump as saying during a recent cabinet meeting. "So countries are starting to want to get involved very much with the Abraham Accords again," Trump added. In recent months, **Trump has hinted that Saudi Arabia may normalize relations with Israel in the near term**. Saudi Arabia is widely considered to be the most influential country in the Arab and Muslim world. Should Saudi Arabia recognize Israel, other countries that may have been reticent toward normalization with the Jewish state would likely follow suit.

COMMENT

In the Bible we read that there are two opposing forces at the time of the end. The king of the north versus the king of the south. The original king of the north was based in Syria. The original king of the south was based in Egypt. But at the time of the end both "kings" or powers are have moved to different places. The king of the north is based in Russia but is allied with Iran, Turkey, Libya etc. The king of the south is based in Saudi Arabia and consists of the UK, US, Canada etc. We know this from Ezekiel 38. The opposing power to Russia is in verse 13. Sheba & Dedan (Saudi and Gulf Arab states. Tarshish (UK) and young lions (US etc). The king of the south power is coming together.

BIBLE QUOTE

Sheba, and Dedan, and the merchants of Tarshish, with all the young lions thereof, shall say unto thee, Art thou come to take a spoil? hast thou gathered thy company to take a prey? to carry away silver and gold, to take away cattle and goods, to take a great spoil?

(Ezekiel 38:13)

Lebanon warns of ‘new war’ as Israel carries out strikes

Reuters, March 23, 2025



EVENT

Israel struck Lebanon with heavy artillery and air strikes on Saturday after intercepting cross-border attacks, in a move that could embroil the country in a “new war” after months of relative calm. The Israeli army said three rockets were fired from Lebanon into northern Israel, marking the heaviest exchange of fire between the two countries since the November ceasefire was struck with the Iran-backed militant group Hezbollah to pause a year-long war. At least eight people were killed in the Israeli strikes, according to Reuters. The projectiles set off air-raid sirens in Metula, a small community on the border between Israel and Lebanon. Eyal Zamir, the Israeli armed forces chief, warned the military would “respond severely”, reinforcing that “Lebanon bears responsibility for upholding the [ceasefire] agreement”. **Nawaf Salam, the prime minister of Lebanon, warned that the country risked being dragged into a “new war” amid the renewed strikes.**

COMMENT

The fragile ceasefire between Hamas in Gaza and Hezbollah in Lebanon is coming to an end. Israel has started operations again in Gaza “with increasing intensity” until Hamas frees the 59 remaining hostages it holds – 24 of whom are believed to still be alive. At the same time Israel has begun attacks again against Lebanon. This week Israel carried out dozens of airstrikes on southern and eastern Lebanon, attacking Hezbollah forces. We can expect more conflict between Israel and her nearby enemies until the pricking briars are removed. We also expect all hostages to be released (dead or alive) because we are seeing the allegory of Genesis 14 playing out before us. To understand more about this allegory watch the WWW video on Damascus. [Click HERE](#)

BIBLE QUOTE

when Abram heard that his brother was taken captive, he armed his trained servants, ... and pursued them unto Dan. And he brought back all the goods, and also brought again his brother Lot, and his goods, and the women also, and the people.

(Genesis 14:14+16)

Iran shows off missile city packed with ballistic weapons

The Times, March 25, 2025



EVENT

Iran has unveiled another “missile city” in a video showing an underground complex purported to house thousands of ballistic missiles. The video was released on Tuesday by the semi-official Tasnim news agency, which identified the site as “one of the hundreds of missile cities” operated by the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps. The video showed Major General Mohammad Bagheri, Chief of Staff of the Armed Forces, and Brigadier General Amir Ali Hajizadeh, commander of the IRGC Aerospace Forces, standing in the back of a military off-road vehicle as it drove past racks of missiles lining a tunnel, and truck-mounted launchers. Iran has released several such videos in recent months in an apparent response to US and Israeli threats to target the country’s nuclear facilities. Donald Trump has sent a letter to Iran urging it to negotiate a nuclear deal or face possible action. **Iran fired missiles twice against Israel last year, causing damage to an airfield and prompting a wave of retaliatory Israeli airstrikes.**

COMMENT

Iran is mentioned in the Bible under different names. Iran is ancient Persia, Elam and Media. They are all areas of modern day Iran. The Bible says in Isaiah 13 that at the time of the end the “Medes” will be “stirred up” and will use “their bows [missiles] to dash young men to pieces”. We read in Jeremiah 49 they will make “bright arrows” – missiles. We read in Isaiah 21 that “Elam” and “Media” will make a treacherous deal. They will also besiege the Persian Gulf. In Psalm 83 we read that Iran (Assur) backs all of Israel’s immediate surrounding enemies. When we put all this together we understand that Iran will be obsessed with missiles and have an ideology that wants to destroy Israel. There is more conflict to come between Iran and Israel. Iran will invade Israel with Russia...

BIBLE QUOTE

Behold, I will stir up the Medes against them, which shall not regard silver; and as for gold, they shall not delight in it. **Their bows also shall dash the young men to pieces;** and they shall have no pity on the fruit of the womb; their eye shall not spare children. [CLICK HERE](#) to watch a YouTube video on Iran in Bible prophecy (Isaiah 13:17-18)

Russia and Turkey discuss energy projects and Black sea initiative

Baird Maritime, March 29, 2025



EVENT The presidents of Russia and Turkey on Friday discussed advancing strategic projects in the energy sector as well as Ukraine and Syria, the Kremlin said. Vladimir Putin and Tayyip Erdogan also exchanged views on the possibility of renewing the Black Sea maritime safety initiative which Moscow hopes could ease Russian agriculture exports, the Kremlin said. Erdogan told Putin that steps toward achieving navigational safety in the Black Sea would contribute to peace efforts with Ukraine, adding that Ankara was ready to contribute to these efforts. In a statement, the presidency said Erdogan told Putin that Turkey was closely following peace efforts between Ukraine and Russia and repeated an offer to host talks. **Erdogan also told Putin that Turkey valued cooperation with Russia in Syria**, where the countries backed opposing sides for years, and said **Ankara and Moscow should work together** to end acts fuelling sectarian violence in Syria, lift sanctions, and achieve lasting stability.

COMMENT Russia does NOT invade Turkey or defeat Turkey in any war. Russia is not an enemy of Turkey when it descends into Israel. Turkey is an ally of Russia. We know this because Turkey is specifically mentioned as being part of the confederate of nations aligned to Russia in Ezekiel 38. There is no doubt at all that Togarmah was part of Turkey at the time Ezekiel wrote. Josephus (ancient historian) identified Togarmah as Phrygia, located in Asia Minor (Turkey). It is interesting both Russia and Turkey are looking to work together in relation to Syria. Syria was the original home of the ancient king of the north. With Turkey onside there will be no barrier for Russia to send its ships to Israel.....

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 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)

US rejects Putin call over Ukrainian leadership

Sky News, March 28, 2025



EVENT

The Russian leader suggested that Ukraine be under temporary UN control until a "competent" government was elected, despite it being contrary to Ukrainian law. **Washington has dismissed Russian President Vladimir Putin's proposal that Ukraine should be put under temporary UN control**, according to reports. Putin said this could be done until a "competent" government is elected, amid further talks on a ceasefire and long-term peace that would end Moscow's ongoing full-scale invasion, now in its fourth year. However, **a White House National Security Council spokesperson responded to Putin's pitch on Friday by stating that governance in Ukraine was determined by its constitution**, media reported. Putin once again took aim at the government in Kyiv and Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy, whom the Kremlin continues to accuse of being "illegitimate". Under Ukraine's constitution, holding national elections while the country is under martial law is illegal. Russian forces are also occupying parts of Ukrainian territory, making elections impossible.

COMMENT

Trump has presented Russia greater victories than it would have expected. A public dressing down of Zelensky. Trump temporarily suspended U.S. military assistance to Kyiv. Washington withdrew from a group dedicated to investigating war crimes by Russia's leaders. It voted against a UN resolution that blamed Moscow for the war. But Russia's leadership is aware that Trump's warmth may not last forever. Trump is serenading Putin in the hope of getting a peace deal. But if that deal is not forth coming Trump could just as easily switch from "good cop" to "bad cop". The Bible says the king of the south (US/UK) will push (militarily provoke) Putin. More provocation is coming...

BIBLE QUOTE

And at the time of the end shall the king of the south push at him: 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.

(Daniel 11:40)

Myanmar earthquake kills more than 1,000

The Standard, March 29, 2025



EVENT

The death toll from a powerful 7.7 magnitude earthquake in Myanmar jumped to more than 1,000 on Saturday as more bodies were pulled from the rubble of the scores of buildings that collapsed when it struck near the country's second-largest city. The country's military-led government said in a statement that 1,002 people have now been confirmed dead, with another 2,376 injured and 30 still missing. The statement warned the numbers could continue to rise, adding: "Detailed figures are still being collected." **Myanmar is in the midst of a prolonged and bloody civil war, already responsible for a massive humanitarian crisis.** It has made movement around the country both difficult and dangerous, complicating relief efforts and raising fears the death toll could climb dramatically. The earthquake struck on Friday afternoon, with an epicentre not far from Mandalay, followed by several aftershocks — including one measuring a strong 6.4 magnitude. The tremors sent buildings toppling, buckled roads, caused bridges to collapse and burst a dam.

COMMENT

Myanmar was once called Burma. The country became a British colony and on 4 January 1948, Myanmar declared independence. Myanmar's post-independence history has been checkered by continuing unrest and conflict to this day. Myanmar has long suffered from instability, factional violence, corruption, poor infrastructure. On top of that this week a major earthquake has struck this country. Jesus said that nation would rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom. The word nation really means multitudes of people. The word kingdom means nation. So we have people v people (internal conflict) then nation v nation (war). Jesus says we will also see earthquakes.

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.

(Luke 21:10-11)

This Week's Developments

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What was agreed on Ukraine during Trump's call with Putin?

The Times, March 19, 2025



EVENT

The much-anticipated call between President Putin and President Trump on the war in Ukraine was far from the breakthrough that the White House had hoped for. The White House's statement after the talks was short on details and substance, saying that Trump and Putin had agreed that a "lasting peace" was a necessity and that US-Russia talks on the war would begin "immediately" at an unspecified location in the Middle East. It also said that Putin had agreed to a 30-day ban on Ukraine and Russia striking energy facilities and infrastructure, a wording that implied a halt to the Kremlin's devastating attacks on homes, shops and other civilian objects. However, the Kremlin said on Wednesday only that Putin had agreed to halting strikes on Ukrainian energy infrastructure. **Putin has said repeatedly that Russia wants Ukraine to surrender four regions in its east and south, as well as Crimea. He wants "ironclad" guarantees that Ukraine will never be invited to join Nato, as well as an easing of western sanctions on Moscow.**

COMMENT

America and Ukraine agreed on a 30 day ceasefire and Trump was confident Putin would follow suit. However, Putin the master of deception was having none of that and only agreed to stop attacking Ukraine energy facilities. Putin's demands to end the conflict are interesting with Bible in hand. He wants the Donbas area of Ukraine which he has already taken. This region of Ukraine is predominantly Russian speaking. There are clear historical links between Russia and this part of Ukraine. Ancient history shows that the Scythians lived in southern Russia and the Donbas region of Ukraine. Josephus tells us that Scythia = Magog. God tells us that Gog is of the land of Magog. He will be.

BIBLE QUOTE

And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 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 38:1-2 RSV)

'Master chess player' Putin almost in checkmate

The Times, March 14, 2025



EVENT

Putin could find himself in a difficult position, as US Secretary of State Marco Rubio said the ball was not in Russia's court after Ukraine's "breakthrough" acceptance of a 30-day ceasefire plan across all fronts. According to Patrick Bishop, military author, journalist and historian, "Putin's prevarications were entirely predictable". Writing for the Daily Mail, he said: "Confronted with a difficult situation, his reflex is to try to buy time. And there is no doubt that Ukraine signing up to the American proposal in the Saudi Arabian city of Jeddah has put him on the spot." Putin is seen by many of his admirers as a 'master chess player', calculating his moves carefully. According to Mr Bishop: "If so, he is now facing the unfortunate position that is known in the game as 'zugzwang'. Simply put, this means that Russia's obligation to make the next move puts it at a disadvantage in the spellbinding diplomatic game playing out over Ukraine - wherever Putin places his piece will bring danger".

COMMENT

Putin may appear to have the upper hand in his relations with Trump – however Putin is actually being trapped - with Trump playing good cop on the one hand and siding with Putin, while on the other galvanised EU leaders are stepping up their involvement and pressure. Putin cannot afford to completely ignore Trump's peace overtures as to do so would mean the end of being able to work together in other areas. Putin wants to use the Trump "friendship" to his advantage. So, Putin has to keep Trump onside and move towards a settlement / agreement. At some point therefore there will be some standoff and pause to the fighting. We expect this with Bible in hand as Putin needs to think an evil thought to invade Israel and take a spoil...He can't fight 2 wars at once.

BIBLE QUOTE

Thus saith the Lord GOD; It shall also come to pass, that at the same time shall things come into thy mind, and thou shalt think an evil thought: And thou shalt say, I will go up to the land of unwallled villages; I will go to them that are at rest, that dwell safely, all of them dwelling without walls, and having neither bars nor gates,
(Ezekiel 38:10-11)

Keir Starmer ready to put British troops in Ukraine for years

The Times, March 61, 2025



STARMER 'READY AND WILLING' TO SEND UK TROOPS TO UKRAINE

EVENT

Sir Keir Starmer is willing to station thousands of British soldiers in Ukraine for years to maintain a ceasefire and deter another Russian invasion. The prime minister is prepared to make an open-ended commitment to deploy British troops for “as long as it takes” alongside western allies in an effort to keep the peace. Senior government sources said the prime minister has won the backing of “considerably more” than the three countries that originally offered to supply ground troops, though the bulk of the force is likely to come from Britain and France. “Things are quite advanced,” a senior government source said, refusing to provide more specific details of who will contribute what since it could “help Russia”. But the source added: “It will be a significant force with a significant number of countries providing troops and a much larger group contributing in other ways.” A military source said the size of the final force would be “comfortably north of 10,000”.

COMMENT

Trump’s overtures to Putin have alarmed European leaders – especially UK and France. They have decided to send their own troops to Ukraine to uphold any ceasefire agreement. Putin would never agree to this but they seem determined to do it anyway. It means that suddenly Russia could be fighting directly against other nations forces. It would be a huge deterrent. For all its bluster Russia does not want to fight many powerful nations at once. Unless it resorted to nuclear weapons it could not win that war. So Putin might be stopped in his tracks by this peace keeping force. This is similar to Antiochus Epiphanes the ancient King of the North. He tried to annex Egypt but the Roman Empire stopped him from doing so. Antiochus in a rage then attacked Israel.

BIBLE QUOTE

Ships of the western coastlands will oppose him, and he [Antiochus Epiphanes] will lose heart. Then he will turn back and **vent his fury against the holy covenant**. He will return and show favour to those who forsake the holy covenant. "His armed forces will rise up to desecrate the temple and will abolish the daily sacrifice. **This will be repeated with Putin** (Daniel 11:30 – 31 NIV)

Ceasefire collapse: Israel threatens 'total devastation'

The Times, March 20, 2025



EVENT

At least 85 Palestinians were killed in fresh airstrikes on Gaza on Thursday after Israel warned of “complete destruction and devastation” if its hostages are not returned. More than 130 were injured, an official from the Hamas-run health ministry said, after attacks targeting houses in northern and southern areas of the Gaza Strip. Israel has not yet confirmed the strikes. The Iranian-backed Houthi rebel group fired into central Israel in the early hours of the morning, sending Israelis in Tel Aviv, Jerusalem and across central Israel into shelters for the first time since the now-broken ceasefire took effect in January. The Israel Defence Forces (IDF) said the missile was intercepted by the air force before entering Israeli territory. A Houthi spokesman said in a televised address that the Yemeni group had targeted Ben Gurion airport in central Israel. Hamas’s armed wing claimed responsibility for a rocket attack on Tel Aviv on Thursday, saying it was a response to “the Zionist massacres against civilians”.

COMMENT

As Ukraine peace talks stuttered forward the ceasefire in Gaza came to an abrupt end. Hamas had refused to continue releasing hostages and Israel therefore has resumed hostilities with more attacks on Gaza. The US administration publicly gave Israel its backing to do so and repeated Israel’s demand that all the hostages are released. There are still some 50 hostages held captive by Hamas. But really the hostages are the only card Hamas has left to play. Israel has also threatened to take over parts of Gaza if they are not released. We know that Gaza is going to cease being a threat to Israel. We read this in Zephaniah 2, Amos 1, Joel 3. The war against the pricking brier of Gaza isn’t over.

BIBLE QUOTE

Gaza will be abandoned and Ashkelon left in ruins. At midday Ashdod will be emptied and Ekron uprooted. Woe to you who live by the sea, you Kerethite people ; the word of the Lord is against you, Canaan, **land of the Philistines. He says, “I will destroy you, and none will be left.”**

(Zephaniah 2:4-5 NIV)

Sudan's military gains initiative in civil war as Russia eyes naval base

The Telegraph, March 21, 2025



EVENT

After nearly two years of fighting, Sudan's military retook Khartoum on Friday, the last heavily guarded bastion of rival paramilitary forces in the capital. Arms and money from Russia, Iran and other benefactors, as well as success raising vital new militia forces, are all credited with bringing a string of battlefield gains in recent months. **Russia has long sought a naval base on the Red Sea near Port Sudan and at first backed both sides, hoping whoever the eventual winners might be, they would be grateful enough to agree. The Kremlin is also thought to have its sights on Sudan's gold mines.** Then, last year, Moscow swung fully behind Sudan's army and its desire for a naval base is thought to have only grown after the fall of Bashar al-Assad saw the Russian fleet expelled from Syria. Both Moscow and Tehran have been accused of supplying arms and new technology to the Sudanese army, with Iranian manufactured drones reported to have become widely used on the front line.

COMMENT

The fall of Assad in Syria has forced Russia to look elsewhere for naval bases. Russia is still negotiating to keep its only Mediterranean naval base in Tartus in Syria – but it isn't certain they will be able to do so. Syria is destabilising and Russia needs to look for other options. One option is to strengthen ties with Libya and establish a base there. In fact Russia evacuated a base in Syria and flew much of its equipment into Libya. But Russia also has its sights on Sudan. Sudan receives Russian arms and in payback Russia is looking for a naval base on the Red Sea as well. Ezekiel 38 tells us that Libya and Ethiopia are both allied to Russia when Gog invades Israel. But Ethiopia is actually the Hebrew word Cush. And ancient Cush / Kush refers to Sudan rather than Ethiopia.

BIBLE QUOTE

And I will turn thee back, and put hooks into thy jaws, 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: **Daniel 11:40 says Russia comes with many ships** (Ezekiel 38:4-5)

Trump open to US becoming Commonwealth associate member

The Telegraph, March 21, 2025



EVENT

Donald Trump has suggested he will sign the United States up as an “associate member” of the Commonwealth because of his “love” for the King. The US president, who has been invited to visit the King in Scotland later this year, posted a message on his Truth Social platform, sharing a link to a news story headlined “King Charles to make ‘secret offer’ to Donald Trump during State visit”. The article details how the Royal Commonwealth Society (RCS), an independent charity, hopes to invite the US to become an official affiliate of the Commonwealth. The US president shared a link to a version of the story written by The Sun newspaper on social media, saying: “I Love King Charles. Sounds good to me!” The idea, originally reported by The Telegraph back in 2017 during Mr Trump’s first term, has seemingly been revived for his second term. The new story reads: King Charles will reportedly make a “secret offer” to Donald Trump during his state visit. It comes as the monarch comes under pressure to show more support to Canada, the Commonwealth realm where he is King, which has been threatened with annexation by Mr Trump.

COMMENT

Ezekiel 38 speaks of a group of nations that oppose Russia. Sheba , Dedan, Tarshish and young lions. Sheba and Dedan refer to the Saudi Arabian peninsula covering Saudi Arabia and Gulf Arab states. Tarshish is Britain. The young lions are UK English speaking offspring – eg US, Canada, Australia etc. Trump is extremely close to Saudi Arabia and wants a peace agreement between Israel and Saudi. Trump has respect for the UK and he “loves” King Charles. We expect with Bible in hand these nations to come together. The US as an associate member of the Commonwealth is part of that...

BIBLE QUOTE

Sheba, and Dedan, and the merchants of Tarshish, with all the young lions thereof, shall say unto thee, Art thou come to take a spoil? hast thou gathered thy company to take a prey? to carry away silver and gold, to take away cattle and goods, to take a great spoil?

(Ezekiel 38:13)

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



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



Legend HandOut

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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)"?

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USGS Magnitude 2.5+ Earthquakes, Past Week

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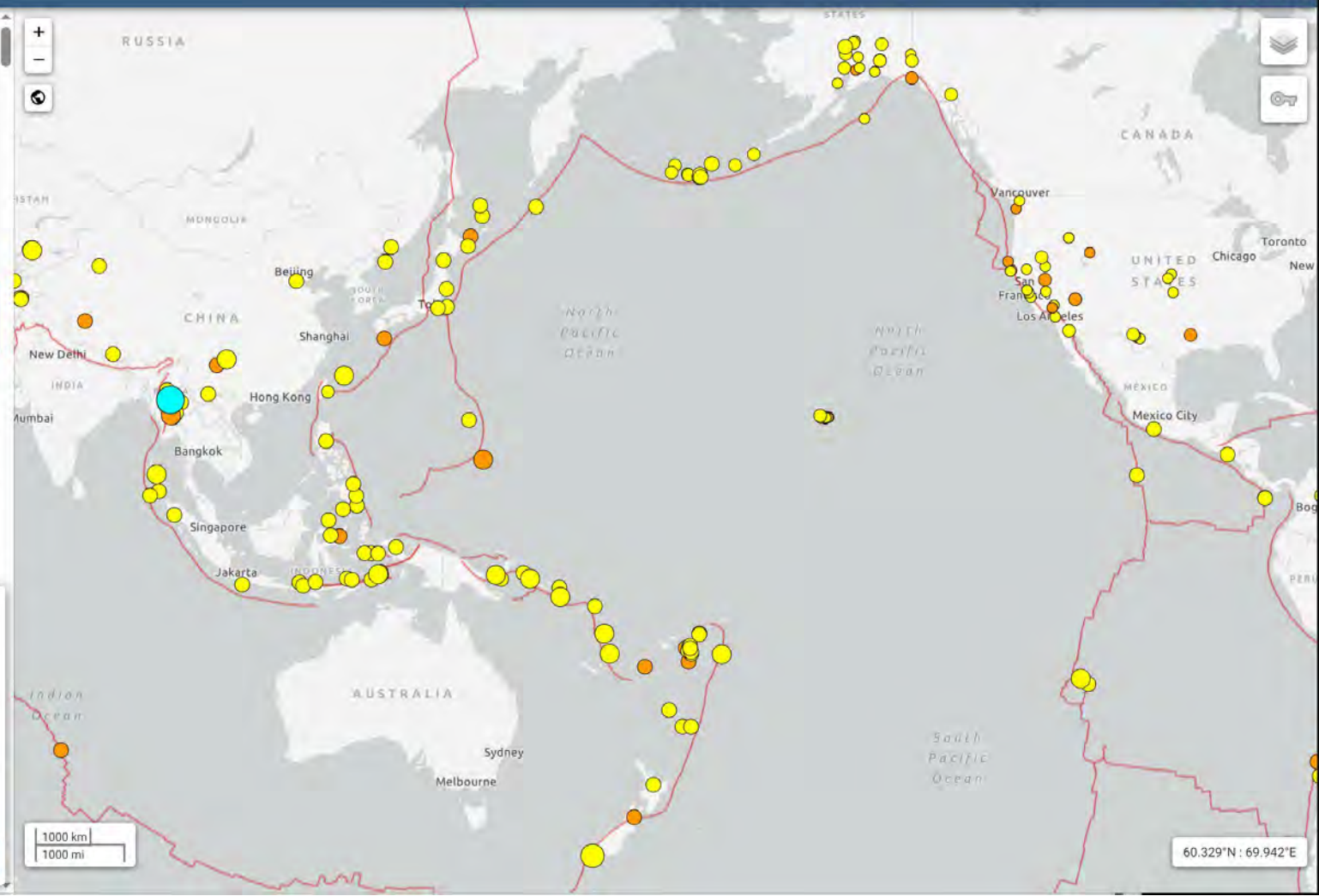
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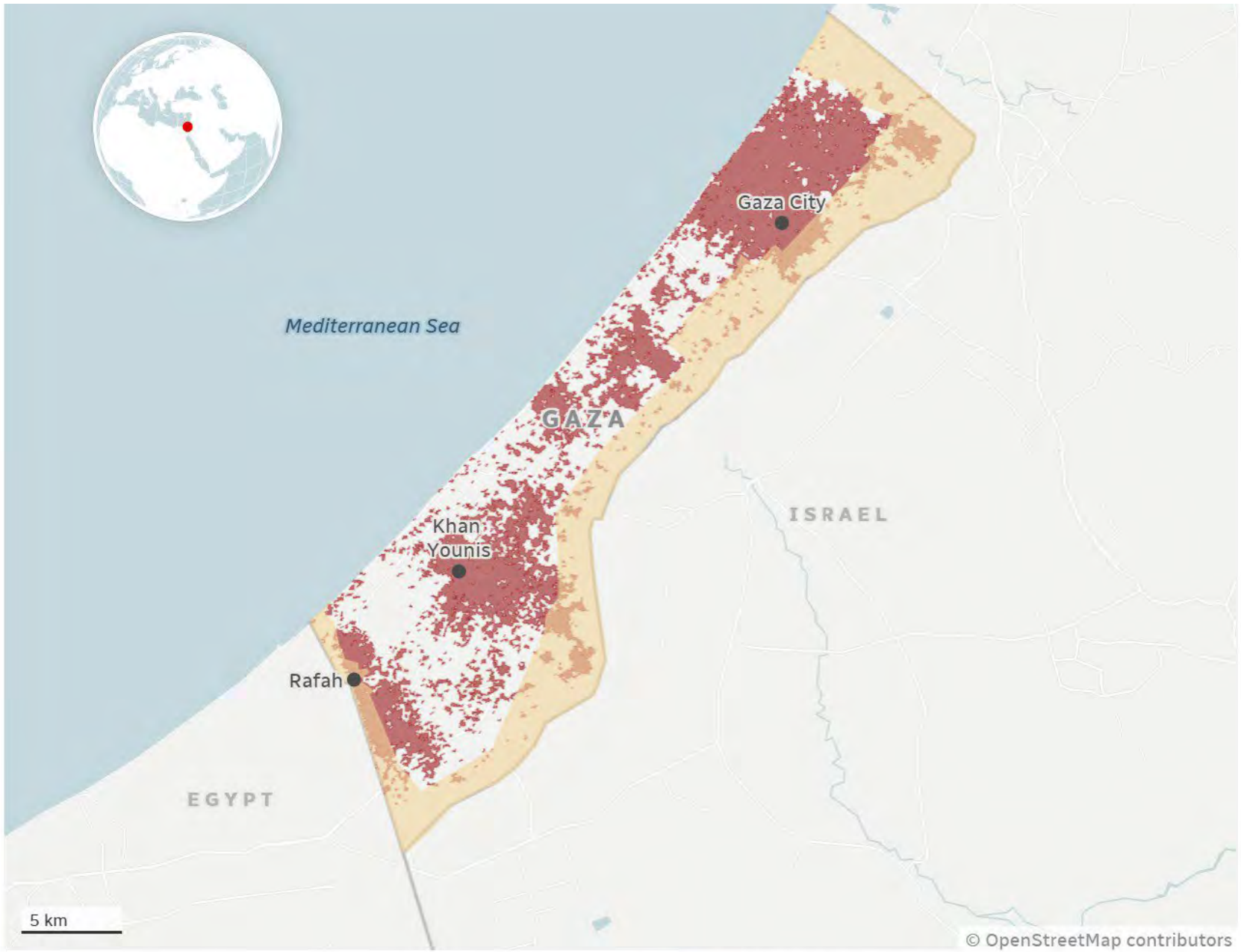


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Evacuation zone

Buildings likely damaged or destroyed since Oct. 12, 2023

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- **Japan:** Approximately 12.73% or \$1.1 trillion in Treasury securities. [🔗](#)
- **China:** Approximately 8.9% or \$768.6 billion. [🔗](#)
- **United Kingdom:** Approximately 8.87% or \$765.6 billion. [🔗](#)
- **Luxembourg:** Approximately 4.92% or \$424.5 billion. [🔗](#)
- **Cayman Islands:** Approximately 4.6% or \$397 billion. [🔗](#)
- **Canada:** Approximately 3.89% or \$374.4 billion. [🔗](#)
- **Other countries:** Various other countries hold smaller percentages of the US debt, with some of the larger holders including: Bermuda, Germany, Norway, Korea, Saudi Arabia, France, Singapore, Brazil, Hong Kong, India, Taiwan, Ireland, and Switzerland. [🔗](#)

WHY THE US IS VULNERABLE TO THE DEBT BOND MARKET:

Foreign countries hold more than 8.5 trillion USD of US Debt – more than the 6 trillion USD annual budget and 25% of the US Debt – 50% of which is held by 6 countries.

Total US debt per capita is \$108,000 USD

By comparison:

Total Canadian debt per capita is \$50,000 CAD or \$36,000 USD

Total UK debt per capita is £39,300 or \$50,000 USD

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- *What Are Treasury Bonds?*
 - They're IOUs the U.S. government issues to borrow money.
 - Countries, banks, and investors buy them, lending cash to the U.S.
 - The U.S. promises to pay back the loan with interest over time (e.g., 10 years).
- *Who Owns Them?*
 - Foreign countries hold \$8.5 trillion of U.S. debt (as of 2025).
 - Big players: Japan (\$1 trillion+), Canada (\$350 billion), EU nations (\$1.5 trillion combined).
 - They buy bonds to park money safely and earn steady interest.
- *How Do They Affect the U.S.?*
 - The U.S. uses this borrowed cash to fund everything—military, Social Security, tax cuts.
 - Cheap borrowing keeps the economy humming; the government spends more than it collects in taxes.
- *What Happens in a Coordinated Sell-Off?*
 - If countries like Canada, Japan, and the EU start selling bonds together (even slowly):
 - Flood of Bonds: Too many bonds hit the market at once.

- Prices Drop: More supply than demand pushes bond prices down.
- Interest Rates Spike: When bond prices fall, yields (interest rates) rise to attract buyers.
- *Why Does This Hurt the U.S.?*
 - Borrowing Gets Expensive: Higher interest rates mean the U.S. pays more to borrow.
 - Debt Snowballs: The U.S. owes \$34 trillion already; pricier loans make it harder to manage.
 - Dollar Weakens: Selling bonds means dumping dollars, so the currency's value drops.
- *How Does This Cause a Depression?*
 - Spending Dries Up: Government cuts back as borrowing costs soar—fewer jobs, less aid.
 - Businesses Tank: Higher rates choke loans; companies can't expand or hire.
 - Imports Cost More: A weaker dollar makes foreign goods (oil, tech) pricier, jacking up inflation.
 - Markets Crash: Panic hits stocks and banks as confidence in U.S. debt fades.
- *The Domino Effect:*
 - Jobs vanish, prices spike, savings erode—classic depression triggers.
 - A slow, coordinated sell-off isn't a bluff; it's a quiet gut punch that would take the US YEARS to recover from.