

# This Week's Developments

June 26 – July 2, 2022

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# Ukraine: Another \$2 bn pledged for military support

July 1, 2022 BBC World News; July 2, 2022 PBS News Hour



## EVENT

**The U.S.** announced on Friday that it will provide Ukraine with **\$820 million** in new military aid, including new surface-to-air missile systems and counter-artillery radars to respond to Russia's heavy reliance on long-range strikes in the war. The U.S. is giving Ukrainians "the capacity" so that "they can continue to resist the Russian aggression; We are going to support Ukraine as long as it takes," President Joe Biden said this week. **The UK** will provide an additional **£1bn (1.2bn)** in military aid for Ukraine, a near-doubling in its support for the fight against the Russian invasion. Boris Johnson, speaking at a Nato summit in Spain, said the "cost of freedom" is "always worth paying for". The PM also committed to raising defence spending to 2.5% of GDP. The £1bn pledge came after President Zelensky urged Nato leaders to do more to help Ukraine's war effort. **Mr Zelensky told Nato leaders the monthly cost of defence for Ukraine was around \$5bn (£4.12bn).**

## COMMENT

*The KofS & KofN are more than ever **polarized in their respective commitments** – i.e., Russia (KofN) to defeat Ukraine, & the US & UK (KofS coalition) to prevent that event. This is characteristic of the 2 original powers the current alignment is modelled after in prophecy - the **Seleucids (Syria)** & the **Ptolemies (Egypt)** in their push & pull over the land of Palestine. Today the confrontation is not only not over the land of Palestine, but the **KofS is actually supporting a country in whose territory flows the river bearing the namesake of the K of N - the river Ros, or Rosh!** I suggest that there remains some obvious prophetic realignments that have yet to take place, & the KofS may find that **it had supported a territory that it may, one day soon, have to confront as part of the Northern Confederacy of nations, including European nations it currently regards as its allies!** [ET]*

## 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)*

# France: Le Pen Cements Her Place in French Mainstream as Macron Loses Majority

The National News, June 20, 2022



## EVENT

The far-right **National Rally party** achieved a record result in France's parliamentary elections on Sunday, increasing its number of National Assembly members **by more than tenfold**. This success cemented the party's rise from fringe status to mainstream opposition and **dealt a humbling blow to French President Emmanuel Macron**, who saw his hopes of pushing through his domestic agenda stymied just two months after being re-elected for a second term. Ms Le Pen's National Rally — Rassemblement National in French — **took 89 seats in the 577-seat parliament**, according to a final tally of ballots released by the Interior Ministry. Major pollsters last week estimated 25-50 National Rally seats. The party had **just two seats in 2012** and **eight...in 2017**. Ms Le Pen said: **"It's a historic victory ... a seismic event."**

## COMMENT

*France is noted for its political earthquakes, and we have just witnessed another one. Ms Le Pen has experienced a meteoric rise in her political life, from a virtual nonentity prior to 2012, to almost unseating Macron as president in the February presidential election. This past month (June) has seen a similar rise in her political party - the "National Rally", climbing from 8 seats in 2017 to 89 in 2022 while Macron's party slips from 350 seats to 245. What is significant is that Ms Le Pen and the National Rally are a right wing populist party supporting a "privileged relationship with Russia, reducing support for NATO. Ms Le Pen believes that Ukraine has been "subjugated by the US". The support received from the voters indicates that many in France think the same way, which fits with prophecy, i.e., that the ideas fronted by the National Rally will continue to gain support, & take France and the rest of Europe in the direction indicated for them in Ezekiel 38. [ET]*

## BIBLE QUOTE

...I am against you, O Gog, prince of Rosh, Meshech and Tubal...I will bring you out, and all your army...all of them wielding swords; Persia, Ethiopia and Put with them, all of them with shield and helmet; **Gomer with all its troops**; Beth-togarmah from the remote parts of the north with all its troops — many peoples with you.  
Ezek 38:3-6 NASB

# Sweden and Finland invited to join NATO as alliance tells Russia to withdraw from Ukraine 'immediately'

Sky News, June 30, 2022



## EVENT

NATO has confirmed that Sweden and Finland will be formally invited to join the military alliance as it announced a "new strategic concept". It also warned Russia that it must "immediately" withdraw from Ukraine, condemning the conflict in the "strongest possible terms". It added that Moscow's invasion of its neighbour "gravely undermines international security and stability" and is a "blatant violation of international law". "Ukraine can count on us for as long as it takes," Secretary General Jens Stoltenberg said. Ukraine's foreign minister, Dmytro Kuleba, said NATO had proved it could take "difficult but essential decisions". Leaders from the 30 members have been meeting in Madrid to discuss the war, support for Kyiv, and how to combat Russian President Vladimir Putin. In a lengthy declaration, they said: "Today, we have decided to invite Finland and Sweden to become members of NATO, and agreed to sign the accession protocols."

## COMMENT

NATO is expanding with Sweden and Finland both invited this week to join the military alliance. Finland shares a 1340km border with Russia. Finland fought two brutal wars against the Soviet Union between 1939 and 1944 and lost a big chunk of its eastern territories in the process. Following the collapse of the USSR both countries developed trade links and Finland remained neutral not wanting to antagonise its powerful neighbour. But since the Ukraine invasion it is war, not business, that is in focus again. Putin has said he doesn't care if they do join NATO. He doesn't have the same territorial problems with Sweden and Finland as he does with Ukraine. Putin sees Ukraine as part of Russia. Ezekiel says that Putin is "of the land of Magog". This doesn't include Finland.

## 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,

(Ezekiel 38:1-2)

# Humiliation for Putin as Russia defaults on foreign debts

The Telegraph, June 27, 2022



## EVENT

Russia has defaulted on its foreign debts for the first time in a century, in a humiliating blow to Vladimir Putin that further freezes his country out of the Western financial system. After narrowly swerving non-payment several times since launching an invasion of Ukraine in late February, Moscow failed to pay \$100m of coupons on bonds due last month, for which a 30-day grace period ended on Sunday. Payment had been rendered practically impossible after the White House moved to block channels to creditors in the West, meaning Russia could not settle its debts despite the means and willingness to do so. The default – the first time Russia has failed to make payments to international bondholders since 1918, during the Bolshevik revolution – is mainly a symbolic event for now: Russia is already a pariah within the Western financial system and is unlikely to tap international markets for money in the near future. But it will further tie Mr Putin's hands as the country suffers its biggest economic shock in years, and could starve Russian companies of future funding options if the contagion spreads.

## COMMENT

This week Russia defaulted on its external sovereign bonds for the first time in a century. This is the culmination of ever-tougher Western sanctions that shut down payment routes to overseas creditors. Russia has the money to pay its bills but the sanctions blocked them from doing so. It makes Russia an economic, financial and political outcast. All this will make it so much harder for Russia to raise money. This in turn will act as a huge pressure to find other sources of income. The Bible says that Russia will descend into Israel to take a spoil. This is the hook that pulls Russia down...

## 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:

(Ezekiel 38:4)



# Israel gets new PM as Netanyahu targets comeback

BBC, July 1, 2022



## EVENT

Yair Lapid has become Israel's interim prime minister, taking over from PM Naftali Bennett after just one year. Mr Lapid, head of a centrist party, will lead the country as it heads towards elections on 1 November. It follows the collapse last week of the coalition which he formed with Mr Bennett. The upcoming elections will be Israel's fifth in less than four years. Mr Lapid faces a tough challenge from former PM Benjamin Netanyahu, who has vowed to return to power. Although the new prime minister has previously said he is committed to a two-state solution to the conflict with the Palestinians, he is unlikely to begin any bold new initiatives as an interim leader. Naftali Bennett handed over to Mr Lapid on Thursday in accordance with an existing agreement to rotate the premiership. Mr Bennett will occupy the post of alternate prime minister until the November election, which he has said he will not take part in. Israel has seen a record-setting cycle of elections since April 2019 as parties time and again failed to secure enough seats to form a governing coalition with a majority. *[Yair – Judges 10:3; Lapid – Judges 15:4]*

## COMMENT

On the 1<sup>st</sup> July this week Israel had yet another new prime minister. Yair Lipid is an Israeli politician and former journalist and serves as the 14th prime minister of Israel. He may not be in power long! New elections are to be held in November this year. He has long called for “two states for two peoples.” He does say that Jerusalem should be the undivided capital of Israel. It is possible that Netanyahu makes a come back in the November elections. Despite his corruption trial Netanyahu is still seen as a strong leader. We watch to see what happens as clearly God is going to determine the next leader of Israel. It could be a very significant post as we near the time of the end...

## BIBLE QUOTE

Everyone must submit to governing authorities. For all authority comes from God, and those in positions of authority have been placed there by God.

*(Romans 13:1 NLT)*

# Unprecedented 32.5C in the Arctic Circle during month of smashed global temperature records

Sky News, July 2, 2022



## EVENT

Countries across Europe broke temperature records in June - with **an unprecedented 32.5C (90.5F) reported in the Arctic Circle**. Norway's Meteorological Institute has warned the high temperatures are a **clear signal of climate change**. In Banak, where this new record was broken, average temperatures for June typically stand at 13C (55F). The World Meteorological Organization tweeted: "Many June temperature records have tumbled in Asia, North Africa, **parts of the Arctic** and Europe. "Stations throughout Scandinavia on Wednesday had 'tropical days' above 30C (86F). Central Asia and Japan are gripped by intense heat." Forecasters said an unusually early end to Japan's rainy season has led to widespread temperatures above 35C (95F). In Italy, **the worst drought in 70 years** has meant salt water from the Adriatic Sea is flowing back into the country's longest river - further damaging crops blighted by the early summer heatwave.

## COMMENT

Earlier this week, the EU's earth observation programme Copernicus warned **hundreds of millions of people have been impacted by these heatwaves** - "with implications for health and wellbeing, agriculture and **food supplies**, energy prices and demand, and natural ecosystem". It said: "Each of these heatwave episodes is striking; either for the **extreme temperatures** reached locally, their **duration**, and/or unusually **early occurrence** for the season." The impact on food cannot be overestimated. Coupled with the war in Ukraine which is disrupting huge amounts of grain supplies, these heatwaves causing drought will also add to food scarcity in the coming months. **A perfect storm is developing & famine will be the outcome** in poorer nations in the Middle East and Africa.

## 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)

## ADDITIONAL AND SUPPORTING ARTICLES

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

2022-07-02 **Does Psalm 83 Describe Israel's War BEFORE Gog & Magog** – Watchman Newscast - 17.57 min - YouTube

2022-07-01 **Putin says no deadline to end Ukraine war** - Gravitass - 6.27 min - YouTube

2022-06-29 **NATO Expansion- Russia threatens to respond with nuclear missiles** - Gravitass - 7.18 min - YouTube

2022-06-29 **Israel Government to DISSOLVE; Lapid Set As Interim Prime Minister** - Watchman Newscast - 11.05 min - YouTube

2022-06-29 **How Erdogan used Ukraine to revive his fortunes** -Gravitass - 5.57 min - YouTube

2022-06-29 **Finland and Sweden formally invited to join NATO**

2022-06-28 **Hezbollah Builds WATCHTOWERS on Israel Border** - Watchman Newscast - 11.24 min - YouTube

2022-06-25 EU grants Ukraine candidate status and urges Russia to unblock Black Sea - World News - WION - 3.40 min - YouTube

2022-06-24 Consumer sentiment survey followed by the Fed shows inflation expectations ease slightly

2022-06-23 Saudi-Israel normalisation on cards- - Latest World News - 6.56 min - YouTube

2022-06-20 **Marine Le Pen cements her place in French mainstream as Emmanuel Macron loses majority**

2022-06-11 Eastern Orthodox Church under Ottoman Rule - Wikipedia

2022-04-14 **Why This Desert is Turning Green** - 4.59 min - YouTube

2022-03-01 Can LNG Replace Europe's Imports of Russian Gas - Bloomberg

2022-01-17 **Why Egypt's lifeline is drying up** - Nile Conflict - 7.50 min - YouTube

Snam Natural Gas Atlas

The Holy Roman Empire- Every State, Every Year - YouTube

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



**NATO members**  
January 2022  
By joining date

- 1949-1989
- 1990s
- 2000s
- 2010s





# NATO PRESENCE IN EASTERN EUROPE



SOURCE: NATO

- 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



1. LITHUANIA
2. LUXEMBOURG
3. LIECHTENSTEIN
4. CZECH REPUBLIC
5. BOSNIA & HERZEGOVINA
6. YUGOSLAVIA



# 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 SHEBA

ETHIOPIA

AUSTRALIA

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