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*“And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift your heads, for your redemption draweth nigh” - Luke 21:28*

## WORLD WAR III?

### ***Biden's Exit Brings Us Closer to World War in the Middle East***

July 22, 2024 -- *PJMedia.com* reports: “President Biden has dropped out of the presidential race and endorsed Kamala Harris. He may be forced to resign before his term ends. The Democratic Party is scrambling to figure out a way to not only create a winning ticket, but to make sure that the nominee is on every state ballot. Our nation is in turmoil, and it isn’t clear who is really steering the ship. The U.S. is in a mess... There is no one at the helm, and both Israel and Iran know it. Knowing this, Netanyahu will undoubtedly try to make his speech to Congress become one of an appeal to the American people, but how many people will actually even take the time to really listen to his words? Is there really anything he can say that will bring America back to a position of leadership as a power that can create peace in the Middle East?”

The sad answer is that with Biden’s withdrawal the world is closer to a world war starting in the Middle East than it has even been in my lifetime. Had he dropped out a year ago, a strong Democratic candidate would be the nominee. Netanyahu would have met with both that candidate as well as Trump and Biden (out of courtesy). But with this action of Biden’s, months too late, Netanyahu and the world know that the United States truly has no one in charge...” **(A huge nuclear war is prophesied multiplied times in God’s Word. Revelation 9:14 – 18 depicts Armageddon: Saying to the**

*sixth angel which had the trumpet, Loose the four angels which are bound in the great river Euphrates. And the four angels were loosed, which were prepared for an hour, and a day, and a month, and a year, for to slay the third part of men. And the number of the army of the horsemen were two hundred thousand thousand: and I heard the number of them. And thus I saw the horses in the vision, and them that sat on them, having breastplates of fire, and of jacinth, and brimstone: and the heads of the horses were as the heads of lions; and out of their mouths issued fire and smoke and brimstone. By these three was the third part of men killed, by the fire, and by the smoke, and by the brimstone, which issued out of their mouths. And Revelation 16:16 tells of the longest and final battle of the ages.)*

### ***‘Our enemies are your enemies’: Regional alliance needed to combat Iran, Netanyahu says***

July 25, 2024 -- *The Jerusalem Post* reports: “All countries who are at peace with Israel and who will make peace with Israel must join a military alliance against Iran, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said as he delivered his historic fourth address to a joint session of Congress.

‘We saw a glimpse of that alliance in April,’ when five armies took to the skies to shoot down an Iranian missile and drone attack against the Jewish state, he said.

This new alliance would be a natural

extension of the groundbreaking Abraham Accords, he stated, noting that it should be called the Abraham Alliance.

In a veiled reference, he described this alliance as a Middle Eastern form of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

After World War II ‘America forged a security alliance in Europe to counter the growing Soviet threat,’ Netanyahu recalled. ‘Likewise, America and Israel today can forge a security alliance in the Middle East to counter the growing Iranian threat,’ he stated...” **(Keep not thou silence, O God: hold not thy peace, and be not still, O God. For, lo, thine enemies make a tumult: and they that hate thee have lifted up the head. 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: The tabernacles of Edom, and the Ishmaelites; of Moab, and the Hagarenes; Gebal, and Ammon, and Amalek; the Philistines with the inhabitants of Tyre; Assur also is joined with them: they have holpen the children of Lot. Selah. Do unto them as unto the Midianites; as to Sisera, as to Jabin, at the brook of Kison: Which perished at Endor: they became as dung for the earth. Make their nobles like Oreb, and like Zeeb: yea, all their princes as Zebah, and as Zalmunna: Who said, Let us take to ourselves the**

houses of God in possession. O my God, make them like a wheel; as the stubble before the wind. As the fire burneth a wood, and as the flame setteth the mountains on fire; So persecute them

with thy tempest, and make them afraid with thy storm. Fill their faces with shame; that they may seek thy name, O Lord. Let them be confounded and troubled for ever; yea, let them be put to

shame, and perish: That men may know that thou, whose name alone is Jehovah, art the most high over all the earth Psalm 83:1-18.)

# ISRAEL AT WAR

## Iranian general says itching to carry out another direct missile attack on Israel

July 2, 2024 -- *The Times of Israel* reports: "A senior Iranian military commander said that the country is waiting for a chance to launch another direct attack on Israel as a follow-up to a barrage of hundreds of missiles and drones it fired in April, Iranian media reported Tuesday.

Islamic Revolution Guards Corps Aerospace Force Brigadier General Amir Ali Hajizadeh made the remarks the day before in Tehran when he met with family members of people killed in the Gaza Strip during the ongoing war there between Israel and the terror group Hamas. It was not clear from the report if the families he met were themselves from Gaza.

'We are hopeful of the arrival of the opportunity for [conducting] Operation True Promise 2,' Hajizadeh said, according to the *Mehr News Agency*, referring to the title of the April attack.

Hajizadeh said he did not know how many missiles would be used in a second attack..." **(Iran will be blotted out when Russia, China, and Islamic nations fight Israel and her allies during Armageddon – Revelation 16:16. The battle is described in Ezekiel 39:1 – 5: ...thou son of man, prophesy against Gog, and say, Thus saith the Lord God; Behold, I am against thee, O Gog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal: And I will turn thee back, and leave but the sixth part of thee, and will cause thee to come up from the north parts, and will bring thee upon the mountains of Israel: And I will smite thy bow out of thy left hand, and will cause thine arrows to fall out of thy right hand. Thou shalt fall upon the mountains of Israel, thou, and all thy bands, and the people that is with thee: I will give thee unto the ravenous birds of every sort, and to the beasts of the field to be devoured... Soon the war of wars will arrive from the North and East [Russia and China] – Daniel 11:44. The battle is described in Ezekiel 38:1 – 5: ...the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, Son of man, set thy face**

**against Gog, 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 [Russian] prince of Meshech and Tubal: [Moscow and Tubal, or Tubalsk – Southwest of the Russian capital]: 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.)**

## Iran's UN mission threatens 'obliterating war' if Israel launches Lebanon offensive

July 1, 2024 -- *The Times of Israel* reports: "Iran's mission to the United Nations said on Friday that if Israel embarks on a 'full-scale military aggression' in Lebanon against Hezbollah, 'an obliterating war will ensue.'

The warning came after the Israel Defense Force attacked several Hezbollah positions, in response to the Iran-backed terror group's latest barrage on northern Israel hours earlier, amid escalating tensions on the Lebanese border.

Writing on X on Friday, the Iranian UN mission said that if Israel were to launch a war on Hezbollah, 'all options, including the full involvement of all resistance fronts, are on the table.'

Foreign Minister Israel Katz responded Saturday on X: 'If Hezbollah does not cease its fire and withdraw from southern Lebanon, we will act against it with full force until security is restored and residents can return to their homes.'

And, he added, 'A regime that threatens destruction deserves to be destroyed.'

Iran's 'Axis of Resistance,' which includes Hezbollah, Hamas, Yemen's Houthis, and other groups in Syria and Iraq, has been targeting Israel since October 7, when thousands of Hamas-led terrorists stormed southern Israel, killing 1,200 people and taking 251 hostages, sparking the war in Gaza..." **(Israel will never be destroyed. God has declared His love for Israel from its**

**very beginning: And as for thy nativity, in the day thou wast born thy navel was not cut, neither wast thou washed in water to supple thee; thou wast not salted at all, nor swaddled at all. None eye pitied thee, to do any of these unto thee, to have compassion upon thee; but thou wast cast out in the open field, to the lothing of thy person, in the day that thou wast born. And when I passed by thee, and saw thee polluted in thine own blood, I said unto thee when thou wast in thy blood, Live; yea, I said unto thee when thou wast in thy blood, Live... Then washed I thee with water; yea, I thoroughly washed away thy blood from thee, and I anointed thee with oil – Ezekiel 16:4 – 6; 9. Deuteronomy 7:6-8 states: For thou art an holy people unto the Lord thy God: the Lord thy God hath chosen thee to be a special people unto himself, above all people that are upon the face of the earth. The Lord did not set his love upon you, nor choose you, because ye were more in number than any people; for ye were the fewest of all people: But because the Lord loved you, and because he would keep the oath which he had sworn unto your fathers, hath the Lord brought you out with a mighty hand, and redeemed you out of the house of bondmen, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt. Despite the rantings and ravings of the world: ... let us cut them off from being a nation, that the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance – Psalm 83:4, God has promised: ...I will give them [Israel] an everlasting name, that shall not be cut off – Isaiah 56:5. See the next two reports.)**

## Nasrallah warns: 'If Israel attacks Lebanon it won't have any tanks left'

July 18, 2024 -- *Israel National News* reports: "Hezbollah Secretary General Hassan Nasrallah continues to threaten Israel against going to war against his organization.

'The resistance (Hezbollah) will assist in battle all nations in the region that were attacked with occupation, massacres, aggression, threats by Israel,' he stated.

In a special address for the Ashura holiday, Nasrallah said: 'Since October

8th Lebanon has been in a different campaign and has opened a front of support in the al-Aqsa Flood campaign since it is the campaign of the entire Umma (Muslim nation), in addition with the fronts of support in Yemen and Iraq, and together with us Syria and Iran are assisting as well.’

According to Nasrallah, ‘There are three countries that are still suffering from Israeli occupation, aggression, and terror, they are Palestine, Lebanon, and Syria.’

In this context, the leader noted that ‘Yemen managed to prevent ships that belong to the aggressor from passing through the Red Sea to occupied Palestine and it forced a siege on the Eilat Port which has gone bankrupt as the Zionist entities admitted.’

‘The Israeli occupation forces admitted for the first time that it has a shortage of

tanks because of damage of the fronts in Gaza and the north,’ claimed Nasrallah. ‘If your tanks enter Lebanon and south Lebanon you won’t suffer from a shortage of tanks since you won’t have tanks at all.’...”

### **Hezbollah ups the ante up north by striking communities previously untouched**

**July 24, 2024 -- YnetNews.com** reports: “Hezbollah has ramped up its rocket fire in recent days, extending its range and broadening its targets in retaliation to IDF actions.

Residents of eight kibbutzim near the border, which had not been evacuated by the Northern Command, were instructed on Tuesday night for the first time to stay close to protected areas due to ongoing IDF operations in Lebanon.

The Upper Galilee Regional Council issued this directive to already evacuated communities, but it also included eight communities in the Hula Valley: Kfar Szold, Shamir, Amir, Sde Nehemia, Kfar Blum, Neot Mordechai, Lehavot Habashan and Gonen. These areas were ostensibly under a ‘normal routine,’ but residents have recently found themselves in Hezbollah’s ‘legitimate target pool.’

The council’s security department advised residents to ‘avoid gatherings and move planned outdoor activities indoors.’ Children who chose to swim in the pool during their summer break were asked to do so under adult supervision.

Also on Tuesday, Hezbollah launched rockets and drones at additional targets that had not been evacuated in the western Galilee, including Moshav Tzuriel, which sustained direct hits...”

## **NEWS FROM IRAN**

### **Iran’s president-elect reaffirms policy toward Israel**

**July 9, 2024 -- Voice of America News** reports: “President-elect Masoud Pezeshkian reaffirmed Iran’s anti-Israel stance on Monday, saying resistance movements across the region will not allow Israel’s ‘criminal policies’ toward the Palestinians to continue.

‘The Islamic Republic has always supported the resistance of the people of the region against the illegitimate Zionist regime,’ Pezeshkian said in a message to Hassan Nasrallah, leader of the Iran-backed Lebanese Hezbollah group.

The comments signaled no change in the regional policies of the incoming government under the relatively moderate Pezeshkian, who defeated his hardline rival in last week’s runoff election.

‘I am certain that the resistance movements in the region will not allow this regime to continue its warmongering and criminal policies against the oppressed people of Palestine and other nations of the region,’ Iranian media quoted Pezeshkian as saying...” (Iran has a long history of calling for the destruction of Israel It

will never happen. Almighty God has stated: ...I will give them [Israel] an everlasting name, that shall not be cut off – Isaiah 56:5. Everlasting means everlasting. God promised to Abraham in Genesis 22:17: ...in blessing I will bless thee, and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of the heaven, and as the sand which is upon the sea shore... And because he loved thy fathers, therefore he chose their seed after them, and brought thee out in his sight with his mighty power out of Egypt; To drive out nations from before thee greater and mightier than thou art, to bring thee in, to give thee their land for an inheritance, as it is this day. Know therefore this day, and consider it in thine heart, that the Lord he is God in heaven above, and upon the earth beneath: there is none else. Thou shalt keep therefore his statutes, and his commandments, which I command thee this day, that it may go well with thee, and with thy children after thee, and that thou mayest prolong thy days upon the earth, which the Lord thy God giveth thee, for ever – Deuteronomy 4:37 – 40. See the next report.)

### **Khamenei and Iran’s Military Lock Arms with ‘Moderate’ President-Elect, Signaling Little Hope for Change**

**July 9, 2024 -- Breitbart.com** reports: “Iran’s Supreme Leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, offered fulsome praise on Sunday for the late President Ebrahim Raisi as a means of laying down the law for his replacement, ‘moderate’ President-Elect Masoud Pezeshkian.

The powerful Iranian military announced it was ready to work with Pezeshkian, which is better understood as a way of saying he had better be ready to work with them.

Pezeshkian was declared the winner of a runoff election against hard-line cleric Saeed Jalili on Saturday, besting him by 3 million votes in an election that had much higher turnout than the first round of voting a week earlier.

Iranian Armed Forces Chief of Staff Mohammad Baqeri on Sunday praised the high turnout for the runoff as a ‘scintillating’ victory for the Iranian system and a demonstration of national unity...”

## **ANTI-SEMITISM ABOUND**

### **Former Israeli Defense Minister Urges Jews to Flee France After Rise of Far-Left: ‘There Is No Time’**

**July 9, 2024 -- Breitbart.com** reports:

“Former Israeli Defense Minister Avigdor Lieberman is urging French Jewry to flee France, warning that ‘there is no time’ following the far-left’s triumph in the country’s parliamentary elections.

As *Breitbart News* reported, French President Emmanuel Macron’s alliance with the New Popular Front delivered a victory over Marine Le Pen’s populist right, which has raised concerns about antisemitism, with many French Jews

feeling increasingly uncertain about their place in France.

The unexpected shift in political power has sparked fears within the roughly 500,000-strong Jewish community, boosting worries about the potential implications for its safety and rights...” **(The Jewish people have long been blamed for all of the world’s ills. All throughout history they have been the universal scapegoat. Incredibly, even the awful plague of the Black Death that swept Europe was blamed on the Jews. They were accused of having poisoned wells with a powder made of spiders, frog legs, Christian entrails, and consecrated hosts (Communion bread). The public wrath that resulted from that fantastic tale brought about the slaughter of thousands of Jews and the complete extermination of two hundred Jewish communities. This can be traced back to the father of anti-Semitism – Satan who ...stood up against Israel – I Chronicles 21:1. God loves His Chosen People – ...I have loved thee with an everlasting love: therefore with lovingkindness have I drawn thee – Jeremiah 31:3. See the next report.)**

### **‘Death to Israel’: Jewish family assaulted at New York school graduation ceremony**

**July 2, 2024 --** *The Jerusalem Post* reports: “A Jewish woman and her Catholic husband were reportedly attacked by an Arabic-speaking family at a 5th-grade graduation ceremony in Brooklyn, the *New York Post* reported last month.

The incident was alleged to have happened at PS 682 in Gravesend, at an event themed ‘All you need is love.’

The Arabic-speaking family had allegedly kickstarted the attack, Lana, the Jewish mother victim of the attack, told the *Post*.

‘We told them there was space for both families,’ Lana said. ‘An older man turned to us and said ‘Free Palestine!’ for no reason. My husband told him this was not the time or place for that but the man cursed at him in Arabic, and shouted, ‘Free Palestine, Gaza is Ours, Death to Israel.’

The husband, Johan, was thrown to the ground by members of the Arabic-speaking family, he told the *Post*. He was then placed in a chokehold, restrained by the legs and kicked. His wife said that one woman even repeatedly hit him with her sharp stiletto heel...”

### **‘ Hamas is coming’: Protesters pull down U.S. flag, vandalize DC landmarks**

**July 25, 2024 --** *The Jerusalem Post* reports: “Anti-Israel activists vandalized Washington DC landmarks in protest of Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu’s address before congress on Wednesday, defacing them with pro-Hamas slogans and pulling down the Stars and Stripes and replacing them with Palestinian flags.

‘Hamas is coming,’ was scrawled in red across the face of the the Christopher Columbus Memorial Fountain at Union Station, according to photographs published by protest group Palestinian Assembly for Liberation-Awda. The graffiti was accented with the inverted red triangle favored in Hamas videos to denote the targeting of enemies. The foundation was covered in smaller triangles and slogans, such as ‘free Gaza’ and ‘all Zionists are bastards.’

The Liberty Bell replica Freedom Bell, American Legion, which stands across from the fountain, was completely covered in graffiti and red inverted triangles, according to Congressman Ryan Zinke. In a video posted to X, Zinke highlighted graffiti on the bell that said ‘abolish the USA.’...” **(America is in grave trouble. Ezekiel 33:3 states: ...when he seeth the sword come upon the land... blow the trumpet, and warn the people.” Ezekiel continues: “Then whosoever heareth the sound of the trumpet, and taketh not warning; if the sword come, and take him away, his blood shall be upon his own head. He heard the sound of the trumpet, and took not warning; his blood shall be upon him. But he that taketh warning shall deliver his soul. But if the watchman see the sword come, and blow not the trumpet, and the people be not warned; if the sword come, and take any person from among them, he is taken away in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at the watchman’s hand. Matthew adds: ...as the days of Noah were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be – Matthew 24:37. How was it in Noah’s day? The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence Genesis 6:11. See the next two reports.)**

### **NYC: Anti-Israel protesters burn U.S. flags on July 4**

**July 5, 2024 --** *Israel National News* reports: “Anti-Israel protesters in New York City’s Washington Square Park

marked America’s Independence Day by burning American flags.

A group of 100 activists gathered for a ‘Flood Manhattan for July 4th’ demonstration. While burning Old Glory, the protesters chanted ‘Burn it down!’ and ‘Free Palestine.’

A poster with pictures of Presidential candidates Donald Trump and Joe Biden wearing crowns was placed on top of one of the burned flags. The poster declared ‘Death to all kings.’

...As the sun began to set, the protesters lit flares and marched through the surrounding streets carrying Palestinian flags...”

### **Activists wave Hezbollah flag, call for intifada outside Queens synagogue**

**July 16, 2024 --** *The Jerusalem Post* reports: “Anti-Israel protesters waved a Hezbollah flag and called for intifada and the destruction of the State of Israel outside a synagogue in Queens on Sunday, according to pro-Palestinian organizations, despite the fact that the Israeli real estate seminar they ostensibly rallied against was no longer being held at the site.

Activists led by Palestinian Assembly for Liberation New York and New Jersey (PAL-Awda) had descended on the Congregation Charm Circle in the Kew Gardens Hills neighborhood on Sunday evening to protest a real estate seminar, but according to social media statements by Jewish neighborhood watch group Queens Shmira and New York State Assembly member Sam Berger, the venue for the event had been changed. Shmira had promised in a Friday statement that the synagogue would remain open for worship.

‘The event changed venues but the protesters didn’t care, harassing Jews for the crime of going to pray,’ said Berger...”

### **One-quarter of Canadians believe the Holocaust is exaggerated: poll**

**July 8, 2024 --** *The National Post* reports: “There is rising Holocaust skepticism in Canada, especially among young people, according to a new national poll.

The new poll, which was conducted by Leger for the Association for Canadian Studies, comes amidst rising rates of antisemitism in Canada following the October 7 terrorist attack on Israel and the nation’s subsequent war against Hamas.

In November 2019, pollsters found just 17 per cent of Canadians said that fewer than six million Jews perished in the Holocaust. By May 2024, that number had jumped to 24 per cent.

Even looking at shorter time periods, such as between late February 2024 and mid-May 2024, there was an uptick in the number of Canadians who believe the Holocaust has been exaggerated. In February, pollsters found that only five per cent of Canadians believed the Holocaust was exaggerated. By May, that had jumped to nine per cent. That view more than doubled between those aged 45 to 54, from four per cent to 11 per cent, and nearly doubled in those aged 25 to 34, from eight per cent to 15 per cent...” (In the infamous Buchenwald camp Jews were shipped and tortured during the day, while throughout the night a voice shouted over the loudspeakers, “Any Jew who wishes to hang himself is asked first to put a piece of paper in his mouth with his number on it so that we may know who he is.”

At the end of World War II, General Eisenhower made a decision to personally visit as many Nazi concentration camps as he could. His reason? He wanted to document the camps and their appalling

conditions.

In his book *Crusade in Europe* he stated: “The same day [April 12, 1945] I saw my first horror camp. It was near the town of Gotha. I have never felt able to describe my emotional reactions when I first came face to face with indisputable evidence of Nazi brutality and ruthless disregard of every shred of decency. Up to that time I had known about it only generally or through secondary sources. I am certain, however that I have never at any other time experienced an equal sense of shock.

“I visited every nook and cranny of the camp because I felt it my duty to be in a position from then on to testify at first hand about these things in case there ever grew up at home the belief or assumption that ‘the stories of Nazi brutality were just propaganda.’ Some members of the visiting party were unable to through the ordeal. I not only did so but as soon as I returned to Patton’s headquarters that evening I sent communications to both Washington and London, urging the two governments to send instantly to Germany a random group of newspaper editors and representative groups from the national legislatures. I felt that the evidence should be immediately placed before the American and British publics in a fashion that would leave no

room for cynical doubt.”

Anticipating a time when Nazi atrocities might be denied, General Eisenhower also ordered the filming and photographing of camps as they were liberated. Members of the U.S. Army Signal Corps recorded approximately 80,000 feet of moving film, together with still photographs.

Within months after the war in Europe, about 6,000 feet of that film footage was excerpted to create a one-hour documentary called “Nazi Concentration Camp”. Prosecutors used the film, which is graphically gruesome, to prove that Nazi leaders, on trial at Nuremberg, had perpetrated unbelievably heinous crimes against humanity.

Thomas Dodd, one of the U.S. prosecutors, introduced the film into evidence on the 29th of November, 1945. When the lights came up, after the trial film was screened, people had a new understanding of what the words “concentration camp” really meant.

Eisenhower wanted to be in as many pictures as possible to prove the death camps really existed. He was sometimes accompanied by Generals Bradley and Patton [such as their visit to the Ohrdruf concentration camp on April 12, 1945].)

## RUSSIA AND THE KINGS OF THE EAST

### Deputy Foreign Minister: Russia Not Ruling Out Deploying Nukes Against NATO

July 19, 2024 -- *Breitbart.com* reports: “Russian Deputy Foreign Minister Sergei Ryabkov suggested in an interview on Wednesday that his country could pursue new nuclear weapons deployments in response to the stationing of American long-range missiles and hypersonic weapons in Germany...”

Ryabkov was speaking to the *Interfax* news agency on Thursday and responding to the July 10 announcement that America would increase its arsenal of weapons in Germany.

‘I’m not ruling out any options,’ he said, according to a translation by the *Moscow Times*, reportedly a suggestion that more nuclear deployments were possible to ensure Russia has the ‘widest possible optionality.’

‘Considering the combined capabilities of NATO member countries, we must calibrate our responses without any internal checks in terms of what, where and when to deploy,’ he asserted...”

(Nuclear war is coming – *Saying to the sixth angel which had the trumpet, Loose the four angels which are bound in the great river Euphrates. And the four angels were loosed, which were prepared for an hour, and a day, and a month, and a year, for to slay the third part of men. And the number of the army of the horsemen were two hundred thousand thousand: and I heard the number of them. And thus I saw the horses in the vision, and them that sat on them, having breastplates of fire, and of jacinth, and brimstone: and the heads of the horses were as the heads of lions; and out of their mouths issued fire and smoke and brimstone. By these three was the third part of men killed, by the fire, and by the smoke, and by the brimstone, which issued out of their mouths. This conflict called Armageddon is described in Revelation 9:14 – 18. See the next report.)*

### Kremlin warns Russia could target Europe if U.S. deploys missiles

July 14, 2024 -- *SpaceWar.com* reports: “The Kremlin on Saturday warned that

the deployment of U.S. missiles in Germany could make European capitals targets for Russian missiles in a repeat of Cold War-style confrontation.

Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov spoke of a ‘paradox’ in which ‘Europe is a target for our missiles, our country is a target for U.S. missiles in Europe’.

‘We have enough capacity to contain these missiles but the potential victims are the capitals of these countries,’ he said, speaking to Russian state television channel Russia 1.

Peskov also hinted that such a confrontation could undermine Europe as a whole — in the same way that the Cold War ended with the Soviet Union’s collapse.

‘Europe is coming apart. Europe is not living its best moment. In a different configuration, a repeat of history is inevitable,’ he said...”

### U.S. Military Intercepts Chinese and Russian Bombers Ahead of Biden Speech

July 25, 2024 -- *PJMedia.com* reports: “North American Aerospace Defense

Command (NORAD) announced that the U.S. military intercepted two Russian and two Chinese bombers in the Alaska Air Defense Identification Zone (ADIZ) on Wednesday ahead of Joe Biden's speech.

According to the U.S. Army, the Tupolev Tu-95 'Bear' is a 'large, four-engine turboprop-powered strategic bomber and missile platform.' The Xian H-6 (Hōng-6) is 'a license-built version of the Soviet Tupolev Tu-16 twin-engine jet bomber, built for China's People's Liberation Army Air Force.'

According to NORAD, 'An ADIZ begins where sovereign airspace ends and is a defined stretch of international airspace that requires the ready identification of all aircraft in the interest of national security.' ..."

### **China, Russia conduct joint Pacific military patrol**

**July 16, 2024** -- *SpaceWar.com* reports: "China and Russia conducted a joint naval patrol in the northern and western Pacific, Beijing's defence ministry said Sunday, adding that the exercise was not 'targeted' at any other nation.

The two countries have drawn closer in recent years and tout their friendship as having 'no limits'. Both share hostile relations with U.S.-led Western defence alliance NATO.

Beijing has further strengthened its diplomatic, economic and military ties with Moscow since the start of the Russian invasion of Ukraine in February 2022.

China, which has never condemned the invasion, maintains it is a neutral party to the conflict. But Western leaders have criticised it for giving political and economic support to Russia, including trade in goods that have both civilian and military uses.

'According to the annual plan and the consensus between China and Russia, naval vessels of China and Russia recently carried out their fourth joint maritime patrol in the western and northern Pacific Ocean,' the Chinese defence ministry said in a statement on Sunday.

'This operation is not targeted at any third party and has nothing to do with the current international and regional situation,' it added..."  
**(China will become a basic partner with Russia for the rapidly approaching battle of Armageddon – Revelation 16:16. Russia will lead invasion number one – Ezekiel 38 & 39. China will lead**

**invasion number two – Revelation 16:12; Revelation 9:14 – 16. Then all nations will come against Jerusalem for the final invasion at which point Jesus will return to stop the bloodshed and set up his eternal kingdom upon earth – [He gathers] all nations against Jerusalem to battle; and the city shall be taken... Then shall the Lord go forth, and fight against those nations, as when he fought in the day of battle. And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east, and the mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the east and toward the west, and there shall be a very great valley; and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north, and half of it toward the south – Zechariah 14:2 – 4. Then Psalm 2:6 occurs as God the Father says: ...I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion [Jerusalem]. See the next two reports.)**

### **China says it's conducting joint military drills with Russia**

**July 12, 2024** -- *Voice of America News* reports: "China said Friday it was conducting joint military drills with Russia along its southern coast, after a U.S.-led Western defense alliance met in Washington and Japan warned of a growing threat from Beijing's strong ties with Moscow.

China's defense ministry said the two militaries had begun the exercises, called Joint Sea-2024, in 'early July' and they would last until the middle of this month.

The drills in the waters and airspace around Zhanjiang, a city in southern Guangdong province, are 'to demonstrate the resolve and capabilities of the two sides in jointly addressing maritime security threats and preserving global and regional peace and stability,' the ministry said.

It added that the exercises 'will further deepen China-Russia comprehensive strategic partnership of coordination for the new era.'

They were taking place in accordance with Beijing and Moscow's annual plan for military engagement, according to the ministry.

The announcement came in the same week that NATO leaders convened in Washington to reaffirm support for Ukraine amid Russia's invasion..."

### **Russia, China taking space into dangerous territory, U.S. says**

**July 18, 2024** -- *Voice of America News* reports: "Russia and China are edging ever closer to unleashing space-based weapons, a decision that could have far-reaching implications for America's ability to defend itself, U.S. military and intelligence agencies warn.

Adding to the concern, they say, is what appears to be a growing willingness by both countries to set aside long-running suspicions and animosity in order to gain an edge over the United States.

'I would highlight ... the increasing amount in intent to use counterspace capabilities,' said Lieutenant General Jeff Kruse, director of the Defense Intelligence Agency.

'Both Russia and China view the use of space early on, even ahead of conflict, as important capabilities to deter or to compel behaviors,' Kruse told the annual Aspen Security Forum on Wednesday. 'We just need to be ready.'

Concerns about the safety of space surged earlier this year when House Intelligence Committee Chairman Mike Turner called for the declassification of 'all information' related to what was described as a new Russian anti-satellite capability involving nuclear weapons..."

### **Putin, Xi vie for influence at Central Asian summit**

**July 3, 2024** -- *SpaceWar.com* reports: "The leaders of Russia and China were in Kazakhstan on Wednesday for a regional summit, seeking to harden anti-Western alliances and press their influence in the strategic Central Asian region.

Russian President Vladimir Putin touched down in the Kazakh capital of Astana Wednesday morning for a meeting of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) — a Beijing-led regional bloc that covers Central Asia, India and Iran.

Moscow and Beijing have deepened their political, military and economic ties since Russia launched its invasion of Ukraine in February 2022.

Alongside Chinese leader Xi Jinping, who arrived in Kazakhstan on Tuesday, the pair see the SCO as a key forum for advancing their strategic interests across Eurasia.

'We attach great importance to partnership cooperation within this organisation,' Kremlin aide Yury

Ushakov told Russian state media outlets ahead of Putin's arrival.

'We believe that the SCO, as well as the second major association of BRICS, are the main pillars of the new world order, a locomotive in the context of establishing genuine multilateralism in world affairs,' he added.

Both Russia and China have railed against what they call a U.S.-led 'hegemony' on the world stage..." **(Ezekiel 38:5 predicts that Russia, the Orient, and Persia [which changed its name to Iran in 1932] will see millions destroyed through atomic warfare in the Latter Years and Latter Days – Ezekiel 38:8, 16. This battle is described in Revelation 9:14 – 18: Saying to the sixth angel which had the trumpet, Loose the four angels which are bound in the great river Euphrates. And the four angels were loosed, which were prepared for an hour, and a day, and a month, and a year, for to slay the third part of men. And the number of the army of the horsemen were two hundred thousand thousand: and I heard the number of them. And thus I saw the horses in the vision, and them that sat on them, having breastplates of fire, and of jacinth, and brimstone: and the heads of the horses were as the heads of lions; and out of their mouths issued fire and smoke and brimstone. By these three was the third part of men killed, by the fire, and by the smoke, and by the brimstone, which issued out of their mouths. See the next two reports.)**

### **Deepening Russia-North Korea ties test U.S.-South Korea deterrence strategy**

**July 2, 2024 --** *Voice of America News* reports: "The United States' commitment to providing extended deterrence to South Korea is being put to the test, with some South Korean politicians publicly questioning the effectiveness of the U.S. nuclear umbrella after Russia and North Korea reached a new defense pact.

Debate over the U.S. extended deterrence was sparked by Representative Na Kyung Won, a five-term lawmaker of South Korea's ruling People Power Party, who is running for the party leadership.

'The deterrence under the solid South Korea-U.S. alliance is currently working, but it does not guarantee the capacity to respond to the future changes in the security environment,' Na said in a social media post last week.

'The international situation, such as

cooperation between North Korea and Russia, is adding uncertainty to the security of South Korea,' she added, referring to the stronger military ties between Russia and North Korea, bolstered by the comprehensive strategic partnership treaty signed by Russia's President Vladimir Putin and North Korean leader Kim Jong Un in Pyongyang last month.

The new treaty mandates Russia and North Korea to immediately assist each other militarily if either of them is attacked by a third country. The prospect of quasi-automatic Russian involvement in any future war between the two Koreas is now causing alarm in Seoul..."

### **North Korea's Kim hosts Russia military delegation after Putin visit**

**July 19, 2024 --** *SpaceWar.com* reports: "North Korean leader Kim Jong Un hosted a Russian military delegation led by Vice Defence Minister Aleksey Krivoruchko to discuss the 'importance and necessity' of bilateral defence cooperation, state media said Friday.

Thursday's meeting in Pyongyang came roughly a month after Russian President Vladimir Putin's visit to the North Korean capital, during which the two countries signed a mutual defence agreement that raised hackles in Seoul and Washington.

North Korea and Russia have been allies since the North's founding after World War II and have drawn even closer since Moscow's 2022 invasion of Ukraine.

Kim emphasised the need for the countries' armies to 'get united more firmly to dynamically lead the DPRK-Russia relations in the new era and play an important part in defending regional and global peace,' the official *Korean Central News Agency* reported.

The United States and its allies have accused North Korea of providing ammunition and missiles to Russia for its war in Ukraine, and the treaty has fuelled concerns of more deliveries.

After leaving Pyongyang, Putin further fanned the flames by saying he 'does not rule out' sending weapons to North Korea..."

### **World's largest naval exercise sends message to China**

**July 1, 2024 --** *Voice of America News* reports: "The United States and 28 partner nations have begun the world's largest naval war exercise off the shores

of Hawaii, known as the Rim of the Pacific, or RIMPAC.

This year's exercise brings international cooperation on a scale like no other: 40 surface ships, more than 150 aircraft, three submarines and 25,000 people.

Nations from around the globe are practicing a wide range of missions, from natural disaster response to attack skills needed for war. While most participants are the nations with Pacific coastlines, this year's RIMPAC also includes non-Pacific nations, including the United Kingdom, France, Brazil and Israel.

'Every nation in the world that has interests in the Pacific and will adhere to the same values is more than welcome to participate,' said Chilean Navy Commodore Alberto Guerrero, RIMPAC deputy commander..." **(China is prophesied to be a top contender and bloody warrior during the battle of Armageddon – Revelation 16:16. Revelation 16:12 pictures Kings coming to the Middle East, primarily China, to slay a third-part of mankind in atomic warfare. Revelation 9:14 – 18 the Oriental nations from the East join with Russia – the leader from the North – Daniel 11:44 – for the most horrendous war in history. See the next two reports.)**

### **China warns NATO with army drills on alliance's doorstep**

**July 11, 2024 --** *SpaceWar.com* reports: "China is staging army drills with Belarus this week at NATO's eastern border, in a sign of escalating tensions between Beijing and the U.S.-led defence alliance.

The joint 'antiterrorist' exercises on Russian ally Belarus's soil near the Polish border come as NATO leaders gather for a summit in Washington, with the war in nearby Ukraine high on their agenda.

With relations between NATO on the one hand and China and Russia on the other at a low ebb, analysts believe that Beijing wanted to send the alliance a warning message with the timing of the drills.

Sino-Belarusian exercises have taken place before, but this is the first time since Russia invaded neighbouring Ukraine, a NATO ally, in February 2022.

The exercises began July 8 in Brest, a city right on the border with Poland, according to a statement issued on Wednesday by the Chinese defence

ministry.

The statement said the manoeuvres will last until mid-July, but did not give the exact number of Chinese soldiers involved...”

**China says nuclear arms talks with U.S. halted over Taiwan weapons sales**

July 17, 2024 -- *Voice of America News* reports: “China said Wednesday it had suspended negotiations with the United States on nuclear non-proliferation and arms control in response to Washington’s weapons sales to Taiwan.

The U.S. and China in November held rare talks on nuclear arms control, part of a bid to ease mistrust ahead of a summit between leader Joe Biden and Xi Jinping.

Further dialogue had not been publicly announced since, with a White House official in January urging Beijing to respond ‘to some of our more substantive ideas on risk reduction.’

But China’s foreign ministry on Wednesday said recent U.S. sales of arms to self-ruled Taiwan were ‘seriously undermining the political atmosphere for continued arms control

consultations between the two sides.’

‘The U.S. has... continued its arms sales to Taiwan, and taken a series of negative actions that seriously damage China’s core interests and undermine political mutual trust,’ foreign ministry spokesman Lin Jian said.

‘For this reason, China has decided to suspend negotiations with the United States on a new round of arms control and non-proliferation consultations,’ he added...”

# CONTENDING FOR THE FAITH

**Christian dad of 4 gunned down in front of family by Muslim neighbors**

July 17, 2024 -- *The Christian Post* reports: “A Catholic father of four children was gunned down by Muslim neighbors last week after he objected to their harassment of Christians in the area, his family said.

Marshall Masih of the Patiala House area in Lahore was the sole breadwinner for his elderly parents, wife and four children — the oldest 10, the youngest 18 months old. He was 29.

His sister Goshi Yaqoob, 33, said his family was asleep at 4:25 a.m. last Wednesday when four armed Muslims led by Muhammad Shani and Azam Ali entered their house from the rooftop after cutting the iron grill.

‘The assailants broke the door of my brother’s bedroom on the first floor of the house and held him and his family hostage on gunpoint,’ Yaqoob told *Christian Daily International-Morning Star News*. ‘They then opened indiscriminate fire on him, riddling his body with 16 bullets in the presence of his wife and minor children.’

Yaqoob was at her parents’ house at that time. The sound of gunfire and the screams of her sister-in-law and children woke her up, and she rushed to their house, where she saw four men heading to the roof. She went to her brother’s bedroom.

‘I was horrified to see his blood-soaked body lying on the floor while his wife and children were huddled in a corner crying frantically,’ she said, breaking down in tears...” *(If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before it*

*hated you. If ye were of the world, the world would love his own; but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you. Remember the word that I have said unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord. If they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you; if they have kept my saying, they will keep your also. But all these things will they do unto you for my name’s sake, because they know not him that sent me. If I had not come and spoken unto them, they had not had sin: but now they have no cloak for their sin. He that hateth me hateth my Father also. If I had not done among them the works which none other man did, they had not had sin: but now have they both seen and hated both me and my Father. These things have I spoken unto you, that ye should not be offended. They shall put you out of the synagogues: yea, the time cometh, that whosoever killeth you will think that he doeth God service. And these things will they do unto you, because they have not known the Father, nor me – John 15:18 – 24; 16:1 – 3. See the next report.)*

**Nigeria’s Christian leaders condemn ‘evil of terrorism’ after suicide bombings**

July 14, 2024 -- *ChristianToday.com* reports: “Christian leaders in Nigeria have reacted with profound shock and dismay at the suicide bombings in Gwoza, Borno state on Saturday 29 June, which resulted in the deaths of both Muslims and Christians.

‘We are concerned about the resurgence of suicide bombing in our

country and the threat it poses to the lives and livelihoods of Nigerians,’ said Archbishop Daniel Okoh, president of the Christian Association of Nigeria (CAN), in a statement issued on behalf of Nigerian Christian leaders. ‘This senseless act of violence is a stark reminder of the evil that terrorism represents and the need for collective action to defeat it.’

The attacks began with a female suicide bombing at a wedding of a Muslim couple. At least two other suicide bombings followed at different locations, killing more than 30 people and injuring many others, according to Nigerian Vice President Kashim Shetim.

The two subsequent bombings on Saturday targeted a funeral and a hospital in Gwoza, near the border with Cameroon. Although no group has claimed responsibility, Islamic extremist groups Boko Haram and the Islamic State West Africa Province (ISWAP), with which a faction of Boko Haram is aligned, are suspected. These groups have a long and bloody history of violence in the region...”