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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*

## THE END OF ISRAEL?

### **Iran's President Heads to Turkey to Discuss 'Annihilation' of Israel**

January 25, 2024 -- *Breitbart.com* reports: “President Ebrahim Raisi of Iran departed for Turkey on Wednesday, expected to hold in-person meetings with Turkish counterpart Recep Tayyip Erdogan on how best to support the jihadist terror group Hamas in its campaign of human rights atrocities against Israel.

Iran is the world's premier state sponsor of terrorism and a top financial and ideological supporter of Hamas, the Gaza-based Sunni terrorist outlet responsible for the unprecedented atrocities against the Israeli population on October 7. Erdogan, an avowed Islamist, has repeatedly declared his support publicly, denying that Hamas is a ‘terrorist organization’ and claiming that the group's ‘resistance’ against Israel – in the form of infanticide, gang-rape, mass slaughter of civilians in their homes, and other crimes against humanity – is legitimate.

Both Iran and Turkey celebrated the October 7 attacks, Tehran with a massive street party featuring chants of ‘death to America’ and Ankara with a ‘Great Palestine Rally’ reportedly featuring over 1 million people...” (When will Israel be destroyed? The answer is found in a 1970's Country music song lyric – “Exactly one minute past eternity.” It will never happen.

God has promised Israel: *I will give them [Israel] an everlasting name, that shall not be cut off. – Isaiah 56:5. Jesus will reign from Israel forever: For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this. – Isaiah 9:6-7; He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end. – Luke 1:32-33; But in the last days it shall come to pass, that the mountain of the house of the Lord shall be established in the top of the mountains, and it shall be exalted above the hills; and people shall flow unto it. And many nations shall come, and say, Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, and to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for the law shall go forth of Zion, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. And he shall judge among many people, and rebuke strong nations afar off; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into*

*pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. – Micah 4:1-3. See the next two reports.)*

### **Iranian President: October 7 will bring about end of Israel**

January 5, 2024 -- *Israel National News* reports: “Iranian President Ebrahim Raisi claimed this morning (Friday) that the current war between Israel and Hamas will end with the destruction of the State of Israel.

Speaking at the funeral of the 89 people killed in the ISIS double bombing near the gravesite of former Quds Force commander Qassem Soleimani, Raisi said: ‘We know that ‘Al-Aqsa Flood’ operation [Hamas’ name for the October 7 massacre] will bring about the end of the Zionist regime.’

The Iranian president vowed that the deadly bombings would not go unpunished. ‘Our enemies can see Iran’s power and the whole world knows its strength and capabilities. Our forces will decide on the place and time to take action.’

On Thursday, Raisi said that ‘the corrupt brains of those who have designed this terrorist crime and the dirty hands of perpetrators will be decisively dealt with.’

Mourners gathered for the funeral chanted ‘revenge,’ ‘Death to America,’ and ‘Death to Israel’ despite the fact that the ISIS terrorist organization claimed responsibility for Wednesday’s

bombings...”

**Iranian President threatens:  
The elimination of Israel is  
possible in our generation**

**January 15, 2024** -- *Israel National News* reports: “Iranian President Ebrahim Raisi sees the military campaign being waged against Israel on the various fronts as the beginning of the road towards the elimination of the ‘Zionist entity’.

In a speech on Sunday at an international conference being held in Tehran, Raisi said that the Palestinian problem has now turned from the first problem of importance for the Islamic world to the first problem of importance for all of humanity.

Raisi noted that ‘the liberation of Jerusalem is the top priority of the Islamic world, and the concept of the resistance and the firm stand that has developed in Lebanon, Palestine, Syria, Iraq and Yemen is the only way to deal

with arrogance and injustice.’

If ‘the other side does not agree to talks and negotiations, then the only logic against it is the force, the firm stand and the resistance,’ continued the Iranian President...”

**NYC anti-Israel group  
leader calls for ‘final  
blow to destroy Israel’**

**January 19, 2024** -- *Israel National News* reports: “The leader of one of the organizations behind the recent anti-Israel demonstrations in New York City doubled down on his call to ‘destroy’ the State of Israel and ‘erase’ the Jewish State ‘from history.’

On Monday, a video of The People’s Forum (TPF) executive director Manolo De Los Santos speaking at an event in New York went viral due to De Los Santos’ extreme and eliminationist rhetoric.

‘When we finally deal that final blow to destroy Israel, when the state of

Israel is finally destroyed and erased from history, that will be the single most important blow we can give to destroying capitalism and imperialism in our lifetime,’ De Los Santos said...”  
*(In Deuteronomy 7:7-10 God speaks of His eternal love for His chosen people — the Jews: 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. Know therefore that the Lord thy God, he is God, the faithful God, which keepeth covenant and mercy with them that love him and keep his commandments to a thousand generations; And repayeth them that hate him to their face, to destroy them: he will not be slack to him that hateth him, he will repay him to his face.)*

# OCTOBER 7 ATROCITIES

**Israel in Hague hearing:  
‘Hamis tortured, burned,  
raped and abducted – Israel  
justified in actions’**

**January 12, 2024** -- *YnetNews.com* reports: “In response to South Africa’s unfounded allegations against it amid ongoing conflict, Israel’s representations are being heard Friday morning at the International Court of Justice in The Hague.

The case brought against Israel by South Africa accuses it of acts in the Gaza Strip that, according to them, constitute ‘genocide.’

In Thursday’s preliminary hearing, South African advocates presented a series of charges, most of which lack evidential foundation or are exaggerated and bizarre. They seek an interim order from the court to halt the war. The South Africans almost completely ignored the massacre committed by Hamas terrorists on October 7.

Representing Israel in the court is former Supreme Court chief justice Aharon Barak. Israel’s lead advocate is Prof. Malcolm Shaw, a British Jewish legal scholar.

Tal Becker, the legal adviser for Israel’s Foreign Ministry, spoke at the opening of the second day of hearings and bashed South Africa for what he called a ‘grossly distorted story’ it brought before the court with its accusations that Israel was committing genocide in Gaza.

‘Hamas terrorists tortured, burned, raped and abducted Israeli citizens,’ he said, charging that the applicant neglected to mention Hamas’ crimes against Israeli citizens...” **(This bears repeating from the January 2024 Van Impe Intelligence Briefing:**

**Nolan Finley, Editorial Page Editor for *The Detroit News* tells of watching “Bearing Witness to the October 7<sup>th</sup> Massacre” that was shown by the Simon Wiesenthal Center and the Israeli Consulate to the Midwest. The majority of the film was compiled from the cell phones and body cameras of the Hamas terrorists as they carried out this massacre. He states: *What we saw Sunday night was excruciating to watch, harder still to discuss. When it was over most of us walked to our cars barely speaking.***

***Imagine watching the most gruesome***

*horror flick, without the benefit of knowing the gore on screen is make-believe. In this movie, the blood is real. The bodies are real. The evil is real...*

*More sickening for me than the gruesome images is the absolute joy with which the killers went about their sadistic work. I expected to see angry, frothing mad men. Instead, these killers are happy. They looked like gleeful young men celebrating a soccer win...*

*And this, I’m told, is the PG version. It doesn’t depict the mass rapes and mutilation of babies that was reported, but nothing in video suggests such depravity is beyond the pall for the marauders...*

*I wondered going into the screening what emotions I’d feel coming out. Revulsion? Heartache? Grief?*

*All of that. But mostly rage, an absolute red-hot anger that there are people in this world capable of such evil and others who would excuse their wickedness.*

See the next report.)

**Report: Thousands of UNRWA teachers celebrate Hamas' rape and murder of civilians**

**January 10, 2024** -- *Israel National News* reports: "A Telegram group of 3,000 UNRWA teachers in Gaza is replete with posts celebrating the Hamas massacre of October 7th minutes after it began, UN Watch reported.

UN Watch is a Geneva-based non-governmental organization that monitors the world body.

According to the report, the posts praise the Hamas murderers and rapists as 'heroes,' glorify the 'education' that the terrorists received, and 'gleefully' share photos of dead and kidnapped Israelis.

In their group, the UNRWA teachers also urge the execution of those Israelis taken hostage.

Aside from their posts on the October 7 massacre, UNRWA teachers regularly use the Telegram group to share videos, photos, and messages inciting to terrorism, the report noted. The teachers also used the group as a platform to openly celebrate Hamas' massacre and rape of civilians..."

**Hamas planned Oct. 7 from before 2014, with final decision made by 5 leaders – report**

**January 10, 2024** -- *The Times of Israel* reports: "The October 7 onslaught began with 70 terrorists who carried out a surprise assault at several points along the border of the Gaza Strip, according to sources close to the leadership of Hamas's Izz ad-Din al-Qassam Brigades military wing.

The sources told the *Asharq Al-Awsat* newspaper in a report published Wednesday that the terrorists involved in the devastating attack were selected from among hundreds of elite commandos from all over Gaza, and underwent training for a number of years, along with continuous testing to gauge their skills.

Some 1,200 people were slaughtered and around 240 others dragged to Gaza as hostages — mainly civilians — when thousands of Hamas-led terrorists burst into Israel on October 7, rampaging through communities and army bases in the south.

The London-based newspaper said that plans for the devastating assault on

Israeli towns close to the Gaza border began years earlier — prior to Operation Protective Edge in 2014 — but major efforts to train and prepare were frozen with the outbreak of fighting and stayed on hold for a year at that point.

After another military conflict, Operation Guardian of the Walls, in May 2021, Hamas decided to implement the plan..." (*Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the Lord, and against his anointed, saying, Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us. He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision. Then shall he speak unto them in his wrath, and vex them in his sore displeasure. Yet have I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion. I will declare the decree: the Lord hath said unto me, Thou art my Son; this day have I begotten thee. Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession. Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron; thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel. Be wise now therefore, O ye kings: be instructed, ye judges of the earth. Serve the Lord with fear, and rejoice with trembling. Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and ye perish from the way, when his wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed are all they that put their trust in him.* — Psalm 2:1-12. See the next report.)

**Hamas Chief Calls to 'Build Upon' Oct. 7 'Victory,' Praises Gaza Donations as 'Financial Jihad'**

**January 12, 2024** -- *Breitbart.com* reports: "Muslim leaders worldwide must 'hold on' to the October 7 'victory' and 'build upon it,' according to Hamas terror organization senior leader Ismail Haniyeh, who appealed for monetary support for Gaza, which he described as 'financial Jihad,' while declaring 'the time has come for the Jihad of the swords.'

Speaking at the International Union of Muslim Scholars (IUMS) conference in Doha, Qatar, which was aired on *Al-Jazeera* Tuesday, Hamas's Qatar-based politburo chief addressed the role of Islamic scholars globally in the wake of the October 7 massacre — the deadliest attack against Jewish people since the

Nazi Holocaust.

In remarks translated by the Middle East Media Research Institute (MEMRI) which specializes in covering media in the region, Haniyeh calls on Muslims to support 'resistance' efforts..."

**Hamas Defies Critics: Says Its Terrorists Upheld 'Islamic Values' During Murderous Attack on Israel**

**January 23, 2024** -- *Breitbart.com* reports: "The Hamas terrorist organization released a report Sunday into its October 7 attack on Israel, claiming its fighters were committed to 'Islamic values' and if civilians were targeted 'it happened accidentally' in the course of the murderous rampage.

In its first public report on the killing spree that began the war, Hamas said the incursion – referred to as 'Operation Al Aqsa Flood' – was a 'necessary step' against Israel's alleged 'occupation of Palestinian territories,' and a way to secure release of Palestinian prisoners.

Hamas's 16-page report admitted 'some faults happened...' and claimed its terror operatives were committed to 'Islamic values', but then quickly proceeded to allege 'the rapid collapse of the Israeli security and military system, and the chaos caused along the border areas' was to blame for the high civilian casualty list..." (*Mass sexual assault of women in public has been documented in Egypt since 2005. On February 11, 2011, CBS News correspondent Lara Logan was reporting in Egypt about the celebrations following the resignation of Hosni Mubarak when she was attacked by a group of 200 – 300 men, several of whom gang raped her for nearly one half hour. Her only offense – not having her head covered. In an article I have cited before, Dawn Perlmutter said: "From a Western perspective this was a crazed mob out of control. For a shame culture this was an acceptable punishment for a woman who was not properly covered. They pulled her blonde hair out and more than likely kept it as souvenirs."*)

Here is what our God states: *Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, Nor thieves,*

*nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God I Corinthians 6:9, 10. See the next report.)*

### **Gazans to IDF: Hamas steals UNRWA food, kills civilians who ask for aid**

**January 9, 2024** -- *The Jerusalem Post* reports: “Gazan civilians have testified to officers of the IDF’s Unit 504 how Hamas murdered Gazan civilians who tried to get help from UNRWA and that Hamas terrorists steal food from U.S. aid organizations and seize civilian properties for military use.

In one recorded call, a Gazan civilian testified that Hamas murdered his cousin because he tried to seek help from UNRWA. In another conversation, a civilian said he does not leave his home because he fears Hamas will seize it and use the property to fire toward Israel and destroy his house.

One civilian is heard on a recording saying, ‘When will you get rid of [Hamas]? They killed my cousin yesterday because he went to UNRWA.’ ‘They killed him in Rafah,’ the civilian tells the IDF officer.

A different civilian is recorded telling the IDF how Hamas terrorists steal food from civilians...”

### **Netanyahu: Israel has no intention of permanently occupying Gaza**

**January 11, 2024** -- *Israel National News* reports: “Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu on Wednesday evening released a video statement in which he stressed that Israel is fully complying with international law in the war against Hamas in Gaza.

‘I want to make a few points absolutely clear: Israel has no intention of permanently occupying Gaza or displacing its civilian population,’ he stated.

‘Israel is fighting Hamas terrorists, not the Palestinian population, and we are doing so in full compliance with international law. The IDF is doing its utmost to minimize civilian casualties, while Hamas is doing its utmost to maximize them by using Palestinian civilians as human shields,’ added Netanyahu.

‘The IDF urges Palestinian civilians

to leave war zones by disseminating leaflets, making phone calls, providing safe passage corridors, while Hamas prevents Palestinians from leaving at gunpoint and often, with gunfire,’ said the Prime Minister.

‘Our goal is to rid Gaza of Hamas terrorists and free our hostages. Once this is achieved Gaza can be demilitarized and deradicalized, thereby creating a possibility for a better future for Israel and Palestinians alike,’ he concluded...”

**(Israel certainly has the biblical rights to control all of Gaza, even though they say they are not looking to permanently occupy it.**

**Genesis 15:18 states: *In the same day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying, Unto thy seed have I given this land, from the river of Egypt unto the great river, the river Euphrates and in Joshua 1:4 we read: From the wilderness and this Lebanon even unto the great river, the river Euphrates, all the land of the Hittites, and unto the great sea toward the going down of the sun, shall be your coast.* These verses encompass all of the land modern Israel currently possesses, plus all of the land of the Palestinians (the West Bank and Gaza), plus some of Egypt and Syria, plus all of Jordan, plus some of Saudi Arabia and Iraq. Israel currently possesses only a fraction of the land God has promised.)**

### **Minister Benny Gantz warns: If we stop now – Hamas will regain control**

**January 11, 2024** -- *Israel National News* reports: “The chairman of the National Unity Party, Minister Benny Gantz, gave a statement on Wednesday afternoon in which he said that the war against Hamas in Gaza must not be stopped.

‘The achievements of the IDF are increasing. Shaft after shaft, headquarters after headquarters. A large part of the Gaza Strip is not ruled by Hamas today. The public institutions were destroyed, it does not provide education or medical services except through international organizations. A Gazan citizen does not have a true governmental address,’ Gantz said.

He added that ‘even in the military aspects – many of the Hamas battalions have been disbanded, the launch capabilities have been damaged, and

its effective control on the ground, with an emphasis on the northern Gaza Strip and Gaza City – does not exist. We must continue. If we stop now, Hamas will regain control.’

Gantz noted that the two goals of the war – the return of the hostages and the eradication of Hamas – are achievable. ‘Reality obliges us and the achievements allow us to examine and adjust our operating methods and strengths.’

‘In most areas we have completed the stage of operational takeover, and now we are deep in the stage of dismantling the terrorist infrastructure, which will lead to the demilitarization of the Strip. We carry out our activities in the Strip by combining defense, attack and dismantling infrastructure,’ stated Gantz...” **(God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea; Though the waters thereof roar and be troubled, though the mountains shake with the swelling thereof. Selah. There is a river, the streams whereof shall make glad the city of God, the holy place of the tabernacles of the most High. God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved: God shall help her, and that right early – Psalm 46:1 – 5.)**

### **Iran’s latest missile strike is a warning message to Israel, U.S.**

**January 19, 2024** -- *YnetNews.com* reports: “Iran’s recent series of missile attacks against targets in Syria, Iraq and Pakistan were reportedly intended to showcase its advanced ballistic missile capabilities and send a message to Israel and the United States.

According to an investigation by *The New York Times*, security officials in Europe and Israel, along with other international experts, are closely monitoring Iran’s rapid progress in missile precision technology.

Last year, Iran successfully demonstrated its suicide drones in the Russian-Ukrainian war, after selling thousands of such drones to Russia. Now, Iran is conducting similar activities with one of its most advanced missiles.

According to *The New York Times*, at least one of the recent attacks on ISIS targets in Syria involved the launch of a Khaybar Shekan missile, which

can reach a range of 1,450 kilometers and pose a threat to Israel. The missile boasts extremely high accuracy and capabilities that challenge defense systems...” **(They may threaten Israel, but Psalm 121 states: *I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth. He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber. Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep. The Lord is thy keeper: the Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand. The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night. The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve thy soul. The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore.*** Notice especially

**verse 4 – Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep. During his confrontation with the prophets of Baal, Elijah mocked the prophets after they were unable to get a response from Baal. I Kings 18:27 states: *And it came to pass at noon, that Elijah mocked them, and said, Cry aloud: for he is a god; either he is talking, or he is pursuing, or he is in a journey, or peradventure he sleepeth, and must be awaked. God does not sleep, and He will preserve Israel.*** See the next report.)

**Iran says launches satellite in new aerospace milestone**

**January 22, 2024 -- SpaceWar.com** reports: “Iran’s Revolutionary Guards launched a research satellite Saturday, a minister said, putting it into a higher orbit in a new milestone for its aerospace

programme that has faced Western criticism.

The United States has repeatedly warned Iran against such launches, saying the same technology can be used for ballistic missiles, including ones designed to deliver a nuclear warhead.

The Islamic republic says its satellite and rocket launches are only for civil or defence purposes, denying any ambition to develop a nuclear weapons capability.

‘The Soraya satellite of the Iranian Space Organisation... was successfully launched with the Ghaem-100 satellite carrier of the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps,’ the official *IRNA* news agency said.

‘This is the first time that Iran has successfully placed a satellite in orbits higher than 500 kilometres (310 miles),’ *IRNA* said...”

# THE KINGS OF THE EAST

**North Korea Ends Policy of Reunification with South Korea**

**January 16, 2024 -- Voice of America News** reports: “North Korea is abandoning its policy of seeking reunification with South Korea.

North Korean leader Kim Jong Un called for the constitution to be revised to say that the South is the country’s ‘primary foe and invariable principle enemy’ during a speech Monday before the Supreme People’s Assembly, the North’s rubber-stamp parliament, according to state-run *Korean Central News Agency*.

Kim said the constitution should also include plans for ‘occupying, subjugating and reclaiming’ the South if another war breaks out between the two bitter rivals.

He said North Korea has no intentions of starting a war, but has no intentions of avoiding one either.

The parliament announced Tuesday that it was abolishing two government agencies responsible for reunification and economic cooperation initiatives, as well as the agency that promoted South Korean visits to the North’s Mount Kumgang resort.

Kim ordered the destruction of all symbols of North-South reunification, including the ‘Monument to the Three Charters for National Reunification’ in

the capital Pyongyang built by his late father, Kim Jong Il, which the younger Kim described as ‘an eyesore.’

South Korean President Yoon Suk Yeol blasted Kim’s comments Tuesday during a meeting with his cabinet as ‘anti-national and anti-historical’ and vowed that North Korea will be punished ‘multiple times as hard’ if it attacks the South...” **(China and North Korea are prophesied to be top contenders and bloody warriors during the battle of Armageddon – Revelation 16:16. Revelation 16:12 pictures Kings coming to the Middle East, primarily China and North Korea 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.)**

**North Korea’s Kim would not hesitate in ‘annihilating’ South: KCNA**

**January 10, 2024 -- SpaceWar.com** reports: “North Korean leader Kim Jong Un called for a strengthened nuclear deterrent and warned he would have no hesitation in ‘annihilating’ the rival South, while touring major weapons factories, state media reported Wednesday.

Labeling South Korea the ‘principal enemy’, he said Pyongyang’s priority

should be to ‘bolster up the military capabilities for self-defence and the nuclear war deterrent first of all’, according to the official *Korean Central News Agency*.

Relations between the two Koreas are at one of their lowest points in decades, after Kim enshrined the country’s status as a nuclear power into the constitution and test-fired several advanced intercontinental ballistic missiles.

Kim said that while the North — formally known as the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea (DPRK) — would not ‘unilaterally’ trigger a confrontation, it had ‘no intention of avoiding a war as well’, according to *KCNA*.

‘If the ROK dares attempt to use armed forces against the DPRK or threaten its sovereignty and security and such opportunity comes, we will have no hesitation in annihilating the ROK by mobilizing all means and forces in our hands,’ *KCNA* reported, using an acronym for the southern Republic of Korea...” **(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.)*

### **North Korean leader: Mobilize powerful means to destroy the U.S. and South Korea**

**January 1, 2024** -- *Israel National News* reports: “North Korean leader Kim Jong Un told the country’s military commanders that the most powerful means must be mobilized to destroy the United States and South Korea if they choose military confrontation, *Reuters* reported on Sunday night, citing North Korea’s state news agency.

Kim said the danger of an armed confrontation on the Korean peninsula is fast becoming a reality because of hostile maneuvers by the enemies including the United States, requiring the country to ‘sharpen the sword’ to protect itself.

‘If they choose military confrontation and set the fire, we must mobilize all the most powerful means ... to deal a crushing blow and completely destroy them,’ *KCNA* state news agency quoted Kim as saying...”

### **North Korean leader’s sister jeers at Seoul; boasts of nuclear prowess**

**January 3, 2024** -- *SpaceWar.com* reports: “Kim Yo Jong, the powerful sister of North Korean leader Kim Jong Un, mocked South Korean President Yoon Suk Yeol as ‘stupid’ and sarcastically praised his hardline policies for giving a boost to Pyongyang’s own weapons program in a New Year’s greeting directed at Seoul.

Yoon ‘deserves to be praised by us as the ‘top-class person’ who made a significant ‘contribution’ to building up the self-defensive and irresistible military muscle on the part of the DPRK,’ Kim said in a statement carried late Tuesday night by state-run *Korean*

*Central News Agency*...

‘It is much easier to deal with a stupid, honest man who has shown his hostility against the enemy than a wicked man with honey in his mouth and a sword in his heart,’ she said.

Kim referenced the New Year’s address made by Yoon in which he vowed to ‘build peace through strength’ and accelerate defensive readiness alongside Washington and Tokyo.

‘It will not be a submissive peace that is dependent on the goodwill of the adversary,’ Yoon said.

‘By the first half of this year, we will complete the enhanced ROK-U.S. extended deterrence system to fundamentally deter any North Korean nuclear and missile threat,’ he added, using the official initialism for South Korea.

Extended deterrence is the U.S. commitment to use all capabilities, including nuclear, to defend South Korea from the North’s threats.

In her statement, Kim called Yoon’s pledge to complete the extended deterrence system a ‘valuable gift.’

His comment ‘gave us again the justification and validity to further put spurs to securing more overwhelming nuclear combat capability,’ she said...”

**(Kim Jong-un, his sister, and recently his daughter, Ju-ae, who appeared with him twice recently raising speculation about possible succession, are following in the footsteps of Kim Jong-il and Kim il-sung in seeking nuclear weapons. In 1993, President Bill Clinton spoke in South Korea and stated that if North Korea gained and used a nuclear weapon, the U.S. would quickly and overwhelming retaliate, and it would mean the end of their country as they know it. President George W. Bush named North Korea as one of the three-part ‘axis of evil’ along with Iran and Iraq in 2002. In 2014, President Barack Obama warned North Korea that the U.S. would not hesitate to use military might to defend our allies against this ‘pariah state’. And in August 2017, President Donald Trump stated: “North Korea best not make any more threats to the United States. They will be met with fire and fury like the world has never seen.” It is believed that North Korea developed nuclear weapons in 2004. See the next**

two reports.)

### **Kim Jong Un visits missile launcher factory, warns of ‘military showdown’**

**January 8, 2024** -- *SpaceWar.com* reports: “North Korean leader Kim Jong Un toured a factory producing mobile launchers for intercontinental ballistic missiles, state media reported Friday, while ordering increased preparations for a ‘military showdown with the enemy.’

Kim visited the transporter erector launcher, or TEL, facility with his young daughter Ju-ae as well as senior officials including his sister Kim Yo Jong, propaganda chief Ri Il Hwan and close aide Jo Yong Won.

He called the strategic missile TELs ‘the top priority for bolstering up the national defense capabilities,’ according to state-run *Korean Central News Agency*.

Kim urged production to be ‘pushed forward ... nonstop, given the prevailing grave situation that requires the country to be more firmly prepared for a military showdown with the enemy.’

Tensions remain high on the Korean Peninsula, with the North doubling down on its U.N.-banned nuclear and missile programs while allies Seoul and Washington boost military cooperation.

Photos carried by *KCNA* showed TELs mounted with what appear to be Hwasong-17 and Hwasong-18 ICBMs, both believed capable of reaching anywhere on the U.S. mainland...”

### **South Korea Views Daughter of North Korean Leader Kim Jong Un as His Likely Successor**

**January 5, 2024** -- *Voice of America News* reports: “The young daughter of North Korean leader Kim Jong Un is seen as her father’s likely heir apparent, South Korea’s spy agency said Thursday, its first such assessment on the preteen who was unveiled to the outside world a little more than a year ago.

There has been intense outside debate and speculation about her, reportedly about 10 years old and named Ju Ae, since she made her first public appearance in November 2022, when she watched a long-range missile test launch with her father.

The girl has since accompanied her father to a slew of major public events,

with state media calling her Kim Jong Un's 'most beloved' or 'respected' child and churning out footage and photos proving her rising political standing and closeness with her father..."

### **North Korea Stresses Alignment With Russia Against U.S.**

**January 23, 2024** -- *Voice of America News* reports: "North Korea said Sunday it has agreed to further strategic and tactical cooperation with Russia to establish a 'new multi-polarized international order,' as the two countries work to build a united front in the face of their separate, intensifying tensions with the United States.

In describing North Korean Foreign Minister Choe Son Hui's meetings with Russian President Vladimir Putin and Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov in Moscow last week, the North's Foreign Ministry said Putin also reaffirmed his willingness to visit Pyongyang and said that could come at an 'early date.'

North Korea has been actively strengthening its ties with Russia, highlighted by leader Kim Jong Un's September visit to Russia for a summit with Putin. Kim is trying to break out of diplomatic isolation and strengthen his footing as he navigates a deepening nuclear standoff with Washington, Seoul and Tokyo..." **(North Korea marches with Russia and China for the war of the latter years and latter days – Ezekiel 38:8, 16. Atomic bombs will produce global incineration – Psalms 97:3; Isaiah 66:15; Joel 2:3, 30; Zephaniah 1:18; Malachi 4:1; Revelation 8:7 and 9:18. See the next report.)**

### **North Korean-Russian Military Cooperation Could Threaten Global Security**

**January 1, 2024** -- *Voice of America News* reports: "The renewed military cooperation between North Korea and Russia in 2023 could increase threats to global security in coming years, analysts said.

As Russia's Ukraine war approaches the second anniversary of the February 2022 invasion, Moscow has turned to North Korea for help in replenishing its depleted stockpile of arms.

In exchange, Russia has suggested it will help develop weapons that Pyongyang wants, including a spy satellite.

North Korea claimed on November 28 that a satellite it launched into orbit the week before had taken photos of critical U.S. sites, including the Norfolk Naval Station, the Newport News shipyard, the White House and the Pentagon.

The South Korean intelligence agency believes Pyongyang was able to launch the satellite only because of technological assistance from Russia, according to South Korean lawmakers who were briefed by the agency in late November. Previous launch attempts failed in May and August..."

### **Xi: China Will 'Surely Be Reunified' With Taiwan**

**January 2, 2024** -- *Voice of America News* reports: "Chinese President Xi Jinping said in a New Year's address that China would 'surely be reunified' with the self-ruled territory of Taiwan, renewing Beijing's threat to militarily take over the island but setting no timetable for gaining control.

Xi's remarks came just ahead of Taiwan's January 13 presidential and parliamentary elections that China has described as a choice between war and peace.

William Lai, who currently serves as vice president from the ruling Democratic People's Party, is the presidential front-runner, but China considers him a 'separatist' and has accused him and Taiwan's President Tsai Ing-wen of trying to provoke a Chinese attack on the island.

Taiwan split from China amid civil war in 1949, but Beijing continues to regard the island as Chinese territory and has long coveted Taiwan's technology-heavy economy even as the island governs itself. China has regularly sent fighter jets on flights in airspace close to the island and warships near Taiwanese waters..." **(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 'reunification' with Taiwan remains 'inevitable' after vote**

**January 15, 2024** -- *SpaceWar.com* reports: "China said 'reunification' with Taiwan remained 'inevitable' after president-elect Lai Ching-te won Saturday's pivotal election on the self-ruled island that Beijing claims as its own.

Lai, branded by China as a threat to peace, won an unprecedented third consecutive term for Taiwan's ruling Democratic Progressive Party (DPP) after he pitched himself as the defender of the island's democratic way of life.

In a statement issued after Lai emerged as the winner, Beijing's Taiwan Affairs Office spokesperson Chen Binhua said in a statement that the vote 'will not impede the inevitable trend of China's reunification', according to state news agency *Xinhua*.

The results of the vote, Chen said, showed that the DPP 'cannot represent the mainstream public opinion on the island'.

Chen also said the vote 'will not change the basic landscape and development trend of cross-Strait relations'.

Beijing's stance on 'realising national reunification remains consistent, and our determination is as firm as rock', he said, adding that 'Taiwan is China's Taiwan'.

He said Beijing 'firmly oppose(s) the separatist activities aimed at 'Taiwan independence' as well as foreign interference'.

The election was watched closely by both Beijing and Washington, Taiwan's main military partner, as the two powers

tussle for influence in the strategically vital region...”

### **China FM warns Taiwan independence moves will be ‘harshly punished’ after poll**

**January 16, 2024** -- *SpaceWar.com* reports: “China’s top diplomat warned Sunday that any steps towards Taiwan’s independence would be ‘harshly punished’, after the self-ruled island defied Beijing’s warnings and chose pro-sovereignty candidate Lai Ching-te as president.

Voters on the island spurned Beijing’s repeated calls not to vote for Lai, delivering a comfortable victory for a man China’s ruling Communist Party sees as a dangerous separatist.

Beijing, which claims Taiwan as its territory and has never renounced force to bring it under its control, responded to Lai’s victory by saying it would not change the ‘inevitable trend of China’s reunification’.

‘If anyone on the island of Taiwan thinks of going for independence, they will be

trying to split apart China’s territory, and will certainly be harshly punished by both history and the law,’ Wang Yi said in a joint press conference with his Egyptian counterpart Sameh Shoukry in Cairo.

‘This is a dead end,’ he added.

‘No matter what the results of the election are, they cannot change the basic fact that there is only one China and Taiwan is a part of it,’ Wang said Sunday...”

## **WORLD WAR III?**

### **U.K. Govt Warns: Be Ready for War With China, Russia, Iran, and North Korea in Five Years**

**January 17, 2024** -- *Breitbart.com* reports: “The West is no longer post-Cold War and is in a new ‘pre-war’ era with limited time left to prepare for and deter future conflicts, the UK government warns in a landmark speech on a ‘much more troubled world’.

China is watching Western resolve in Ukraine to see whether it loses patience with funding the Kyiv government and its defence, the UK says in an apparent call-to-arms to NATO allies to be ready for a major war on multiple fronts in the near future.

Speaking at Lancaster House on Monday, British Minister of Defence Grant Shapps said the West is facing a ‘much more troubled world’ and could no longer consider itself post-war, with considerable new investment in military spending needed...” **(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. See the next two reports.)*

### **British General: Citizens must be ready for war with Russia**

**January 25, 2024** -- *Israel National News* reports: “General Sir Patrick Sanders, the head of the British army, stated at a recent military convention that British citizens needed to be ready for conflict with Russia.

In a separate case, he stated that both men and women in Britain would need to be ready for armed service if NATO begins an open war with Russia.

He likewise called for increasing defense budget of the kingdom, and stated that citizens needed to be trained: ‘Our friends in eastern and northern Europe who feel the threat from Russia in most strongly have already laid the foundations for drafting civilians. We will not be immune and as the prewar generation we must similarly prepare – and that is a whole-of-nation undertaking. Ukraine brutally illustrates

that regular armies start wars; citizen armies win them.’...”

### **Symbolic ‘Doomsday Clock’ signals continued risk of global catastrophe**

**January 24, 2024** -- *SpaceWar.com* reports: “Because of current world events and turmoil, the Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists’ ‘Doomsday Clock’ on Tuesday remains close to midnight, signaling a dangerous potential risk of global catastrophe.

Citing ‘ominous trends,’ the report says the symbolic clock remains at 90 seconds before midnight.

Among some of the dangers raised by the report are climate change, artificial intelligence, nuclear threats related to the ongoing war between Russia and Ukraine, and the escalation of diplomatic tensions between China and the United States.

Created in 1947 by Albert Einstein and J. Robert Oppenheimer, the ‘Doomsday Clock’ is a public warning about the threats posed by nuclear weapons and other factors that represent how close the human race is to potentially destroying the world with manmade technology.

The furthest the clock has been set was 17 minutes to midnight after the collapse of the Soviet Union in 1991. In 2023, the clock moved the closest it had ever been to the point of annihilation, the current 90 seconds to midnight...”