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WEEKLY HEADLINES

The US stood against a draft UN Security Council statement on Saturday expressing “grave concern” about the IDF’s response to violent rioting on the Gaza border.

Gaza Arabs are preparing to use their women and children for another Friday of violence with Israel. This time they are planning to also burn 10,000 tires to make it hard for the IDF snipers to shoot and stop their violence and sabotage.

Fatah to Palestinians: “My rifle’s fire is the death of the enemies & music to my ears”

Palestinians political analyst: Fatah will return to “armed struggle”, terror and violence, if Abbas’ demands are not met.

Abbas to the UN: “We have been committed to fostering a culture of peace, rejection of violence.”



MARCH OF RETURN



- The mass protests are aimed at forcing Israel to accept millions of Palestinian "refugees" as a first step towards turning Jews into a minority in their own country. The next step would be to kill or expel the Jews and replace Israel with an Islamic state. Did they expect the Israeli soldiers to greet them with flowers?



- The Palestinian "March of Return" is being mistakenly referred to by some journalists and political analysts as a "peaceful and popular" drive by Palestinians demanding freedom and better living conditions.



HAMAS / GAZA



While the UN issued a warning to Israel to use “extreme caution” in facing the mass protests, US President Trump’s Mideast envoy Jason Greenblatt put the onus squarely on Palestinians. Greenblatt said protesters “should remain outside the 500-meter buffer zone; and should not approach the border fence in any way or any location.”

He added, in a statement: “We condemn leaders and protestors who call for violence or who send protestors – including children – to the fence, knowing that they may be injured or killed. Instead, we call for a renewed focus by all parties on finding solutions to the dire humanitarian challenges facing Gazans.”



UN Secretary-General António Guterres earlier on Thursday, UN Secretary General Antonio Guterres urged Israel to exercise “extreme caution,” and to allow Palestinians to protest peacefully along the border.



JOHN BOLTON



It is also true that like many of the neoconservatives, Bolton is a firm supporter of Israel. However, Bolton is actually far more supportive of Israel than the neoconservatives are. As a nationalist, he supports U.S. allies because he understands that the stronger America's allies are, the better able they are to defend their interests. Since American allies – particularly Israel – share America's interests, the more powerful they are, the more secure America's interests are, and the less the U.S. needs to assert its power abroad. Bolton supported – indeed, urged – Israel to destroy Iran's nuclear installations during the Obama presidency. Rather than treating Israel as what Rice referred to patronizingly as America's "special friend," Bolton views Israel as America's most powerful ally in the Middle East. He opposes Palestinian statehood and an Israeli withdrawal from the West Bank. (Caroline Glick)



FYI - ME POLICY



Egypt closes the border with Gaza completely and ceases all aid. (*No international condemnation!*)

Abbas decides to halt aid to Gaza. (*No international condemnation!*)

Along the border Hamas organized an anti-Israel demonstration calling - wait for it - for Return! (*If you are confused - calling for complete occupation of Jewish land and destruction of Israel!*)



So let's get it right! Israel left Gaza. Hamas terrorizes Jews by firing rockets at Israel, yet even during times of war, Israel continues sending humanitarian aid to enemies in Gaza. Who is blamed by international Anti-Semites? ISRAEL!!!!



PA TEXTBOOKS

THE TIMES

Britain gives £20m for schools glorifying martyrs and jihad



The curriculum teaches children that those who carry out terrorist attacks will be rewarded in paradise

A science textbook intended for 12-year-olds, claims to teach them Newton's second law of motion in the following way:

"During the first Palestinian uprising, Palestinian youths used slingshots to confront the soldiers of the Zionist Occupation and defend themselves from their treacherous bullets. What is the relationship between the elongation of the slingshot's rubber and the tensile strength affecting it?"

Math lessons as provided by the PA -- courtesy of the UK government -- teach 9 yr old Palestinian children addition by asking them to calculate the number of "martyrs" in various Palestinian uprisings.

The study found that social studies books included images of children in their school rooms with an empty desk fitted with a sign reading "martyr".



SYRIAN TANKS



The Bashar Assad regime is preparing an offensive to retake southern Syria and the Syrian Golan Heights from rebel groups and has reportedly placed tanks and heavy artillery inside the demilitarized buffer zone on the country's border with Israel. The step violates the Agreement on Disengagement signed in 1974. Israel is expected to complain to the UN peacemaking force.

The Haaretz report said there is almost no Iranian presence near the Israel-Syria border. However, Lebanese terror group Hezbollah has established a Golan regional command center, with a hundred of its operatives located in south Syria and a thousand other local residents being paid regular salaries by the organization, it said. Israel was said to recognize an interest by Hezbollah in the border and initial attempts to establish military infrastructure there.



TRUMP AND SYRIA



U.S. President Donald Trump agreed in a National Security Council meeting this week to keep U.S. troops in Syria "a little longer" to defeat Islamic State, but wants them out relatively soon, a senior administration official said on Wednesday.



While the official said Trump did not approve a specific withdrawal timetable at Tuesday's meeting, he wants other countries in the region and the United Nations to step up and help provide stability in Syria while ensuring that Islamic State is defeated.

"We're not going to immediately withdraw, but neither is the president willing to back a long-term commitment," the official said.



WEEKLY QUOTES



"We have always said that in our war with the Arabs we had a secret weapon - no alternative."

"The Egyptians could run to Egypt, the Syrians into Syria. The only place we could run was into the sea, and before we did that we might as well fight."

"We Jews have a secret weapon in our struggle with the Arabs; we have no place to go."

All quotes from Golda Meir



UPCOMING TOURS

NEW FALL OFFERINGS

OFF THE BEATEN PATH - OCT 14-24

REVEALING ISRAEL - OCT 25-NOV 3

