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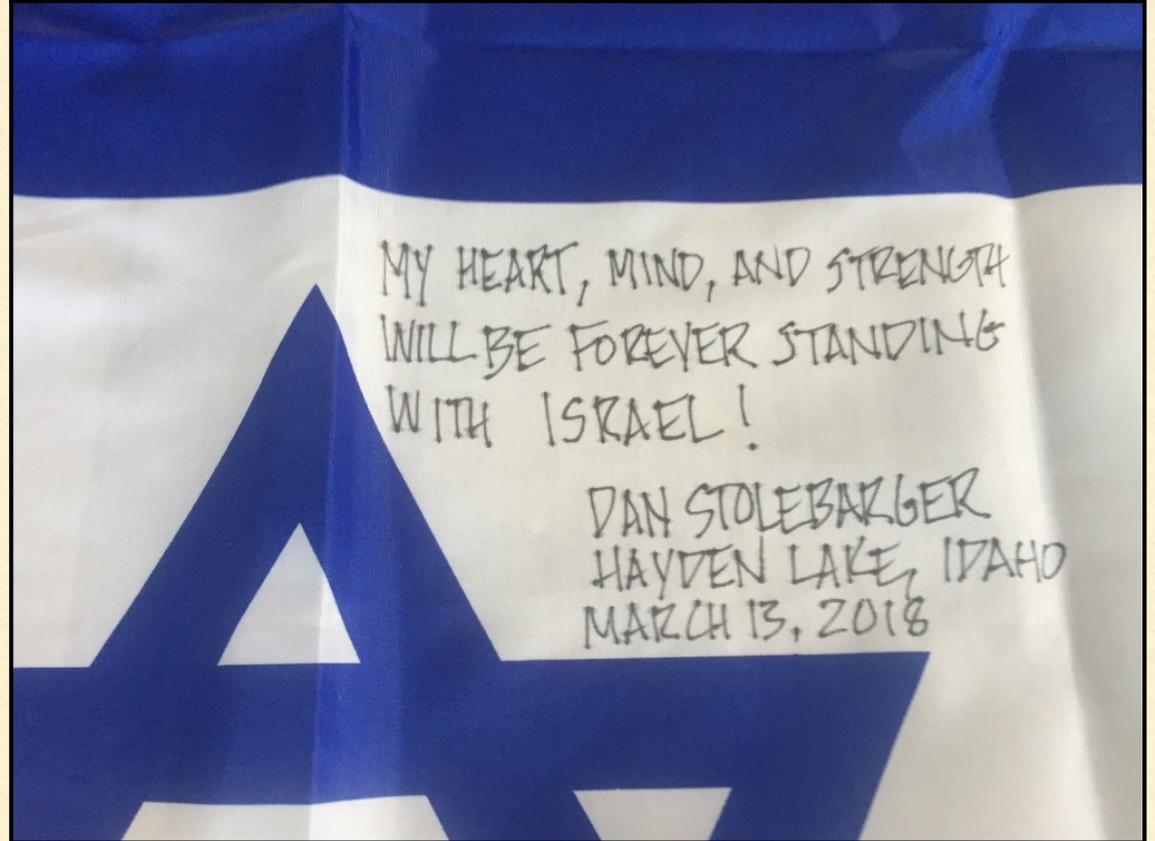
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WEEKLY HEADLINES

- * US President Donald Trump said on Wednesday he wanted a two-state solution to resolve the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, the clearest expression yet of his administration's support for such an outcome.
- * At UN, Netanyahu reveals Iranian nuclear warehouse, urges IAEA to go inspect it. PM also says Israel knows where Hezbollah hiding missiles in Beirut. (What Iran hides ... Israel finds!)
- * Netanyahu ...The meeting of former Prime Minister Ehud Olmert and Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas discredits the longstanding claim by Israel's political right that Abbas is not a partner for peace negotiations.
- * Israel's Opposition Leader Tzipi Livni met with Abbas last night in New York. In a statement, Livni said she urged Abbas to resume talks with the United States "on the basis of the principle of the two nation-states."
- * Russia blames Israel 'entirely' for plan shot down over Syria. Iran blames Israel, US for deadly terror attack on military parade killing 30 and wounding 60.



BORDER WAR



Giving Air-Defense System to Syria Threatens Broader War

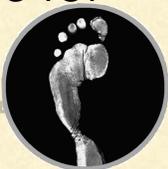
By [Shoshana Bryen](#) [September 27, 2018, 7:00 am](#)

The delivery of Russian S-300 air defenses to Syria threatens to broaden the war, as these advanced systems could allow wider scope for a conflict with Israel.

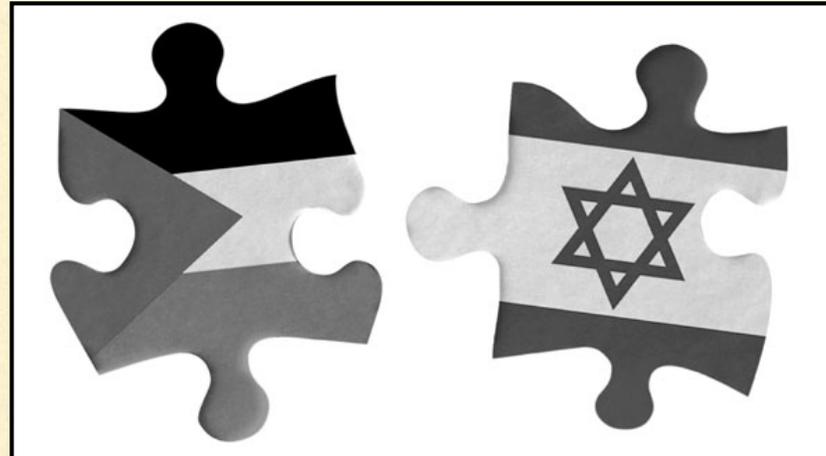


By announcing this delivery, to be made in the coming two weeks, the Russian military appears to be on the side of Iran and hostile to Israel, neither of which is part of President Vladimir Putin's approach to the Middle East or, for that matter, to the future of Russia.

Russia saved the Syrian regime from collapse by bringing in air power and encouraging the Iranians and their allies the Lebanese Hezbollah to provide renewed muscle for ground fighting.

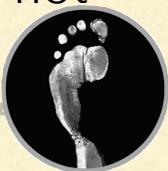


TRUMP - 2 STATE?



ZOA's Mort Klein, who [strongly praised](#) Trump "superb" UN speech, tells us...

"With Trump's record of being the greatest pro-Israel ever, and his support for Israel aggressively defending itself, I am sure that the only way Trump would promote a Palestinian state would be if it were demilitarized, accepted Israel as a Jewish state, ended and rescinded the naming of schools, streets and sports teams after Jew killers, stopped paying Arabs to murder Jews, stopped promoting violence and hatred of Jews in their schools, media and speeches, and guaranteeing regular elections, ending Abbas' dictatorship. Therefore, the odds of Trump establishing a legitimate, human-rights-loving and a democratic Palestinian state is zero. So I am not worried about this statement."



ABBAS' UN SPEECH



Abbas praises 'our hero martyrs and prisoners of war'

Concluding his comments to the UN general Assembly, Abbas rejects criticism of the Palestinian Authority for paying monthly stipends to terrorists, saying that Israel applies a double standard to Palestinians and Israelis.

"Why is the man who killed Rabin praised when our martyrs are rejected," he said, referring to Yigal Amir, who was vehemently castigated by the vast majority of Israelis from the entire political spectrum.

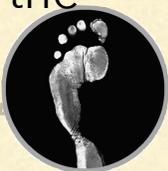
"I pay tribute to our hero martyrs and prisoners of war," he says.



ABBAS – PAY FOR SLAY



As PA leader Mahmoud Abbas takes the podium at the UN, it is important to remember that this man is a world leader in supporting terrorists. The latest terrorist Abbas has chosen to honor specifically is Nasser Awais, a Palestinian serving 14 life sentences for murdering 14 people. Abbas decided to raise Awais to the rank of "major general" as "a sign of appreciation for his struggle and sacrifice for the homeland." [Official Fatah Facebook page, Sept. 9, 2018] Announcing Abbas' decision to promote Awais, the Fatah Movement mentioned among Awais' accomplishments that he "established the Al-Aqsa Martyrs' Brigades in a direct appointment by [former PA] President Yasser Arafat." The US, Canada, the EU, and have declared the Al-Aqsa Martyrs' Brigades a terrorist organization. The Brigades is responsible for the deaths of hundreds of Israelis in suicide bombings.



NAFTALI BENNETT



Bennett says murderer-praising Palestinians will never achieve statehood

Jewish Home leader and senior cabinet minister Naftali Bennett hits back at Abbas's UN speech in which he praised terrorists and "martyrs."

"Mahmoud Abbas' speech reminds us all of one basic fact," Bennett tweets, "A people that sanctify murderers, and a leader who finances terrorists, will never achieve a Palestinian state in the heart of Israel."

"We are here to prevent this from happening," he adds.



HASSAN ROUHHANI



Iran's President Hassan Rouhani on Tuesday said Israel was the greatest threat to world peace, and responded to a fiery speech by US President Donald Trump by claiming the United States was plotting to overthrow Tehran's regime.



"The innumerable crimes of Israel against the Palestinians would not have been possible without the political and military assistance" of the US, Rouhani charged in a speech to the United Nations General Assembly. He accused Israel of "blatantly threatening others with nuclear annihilation" and said the Jewish state constitutes "the most daunting threat to regional and global peace."

Trump had earlier in the day urged the international community to isolate Iran, accusing the Tehran regime of sowing "chaos, death and destruction,"



PA RESISTANCE



- To be clear: when the Palestinian terrorist groups talk about "resistance," they are referring to terror attacks on Israel. These include suicide bombings, launching rockets towards Israel, and hurling explosive devices and firebombs at Israeli soldiers and civilians. These groups do not believe in any form of peaceful and non-violent protests. For them, there is only one realistic option to achieve their goal of destroying Israel: the armed struggle.

- **Issa Karake an Palestinian Arab Official Admits "Killing Israelis is not Terror, it's Legitimate**

"This is why peace is impossible with the fake people who claim they are "palestinians." All they want to do is murder Jews and destroy Israel. An official of the Palestinian Authority said this. He works right under PA leader Abbas.



SUKKOT BLESSING



Some 50,000 people took part in the traditional Sukkot priestly blessing ceremony at the Western Wall on Wednesday.

The ceremony was led by Israel's chief rabbis, Chief Ashkenazi Rabbi David Lau and Chief Sephardi Rabbi Yitzhak Yosef, and Western Wall Rabbi Shmuel Rabinovitch.

The blessing concluded with the chief rabbis receiving the Sukkot pilgrims.

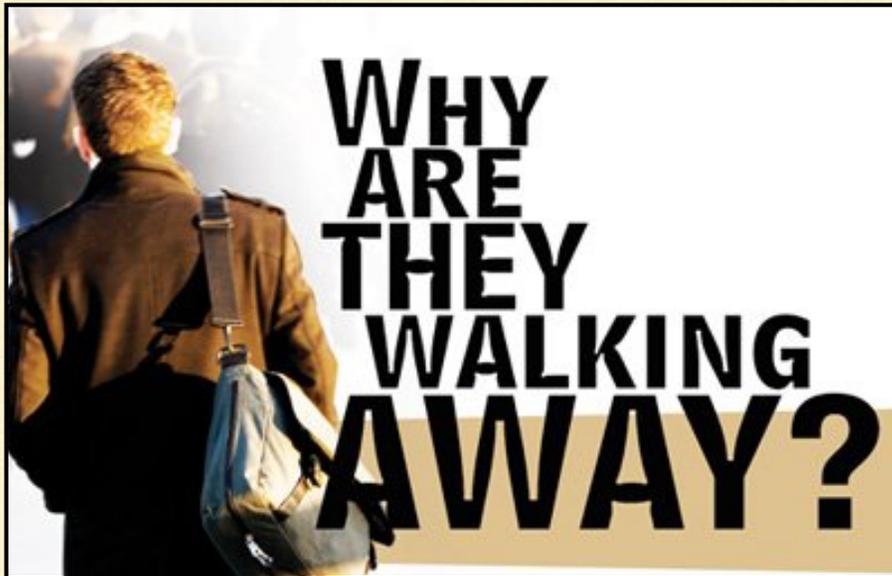
U.S. Ambassador to Israel David Friedman also attended the service.

The Jerusalem District Police were on high alert Wednesday, security for the event. Roads leading into the city were partially closed and security checks were set up to ensure worshippers' safety.



QUOTABLE - SELAH

"If we want people to stop leaving the church - if we want Christianity to be irresistible again to the world - then maybe it's time to take another look at the movement Jesus started 2,000 years ago."



OCTOBER 1 – SIMCHAT TORAH ... 'Do you wanna dance?'

