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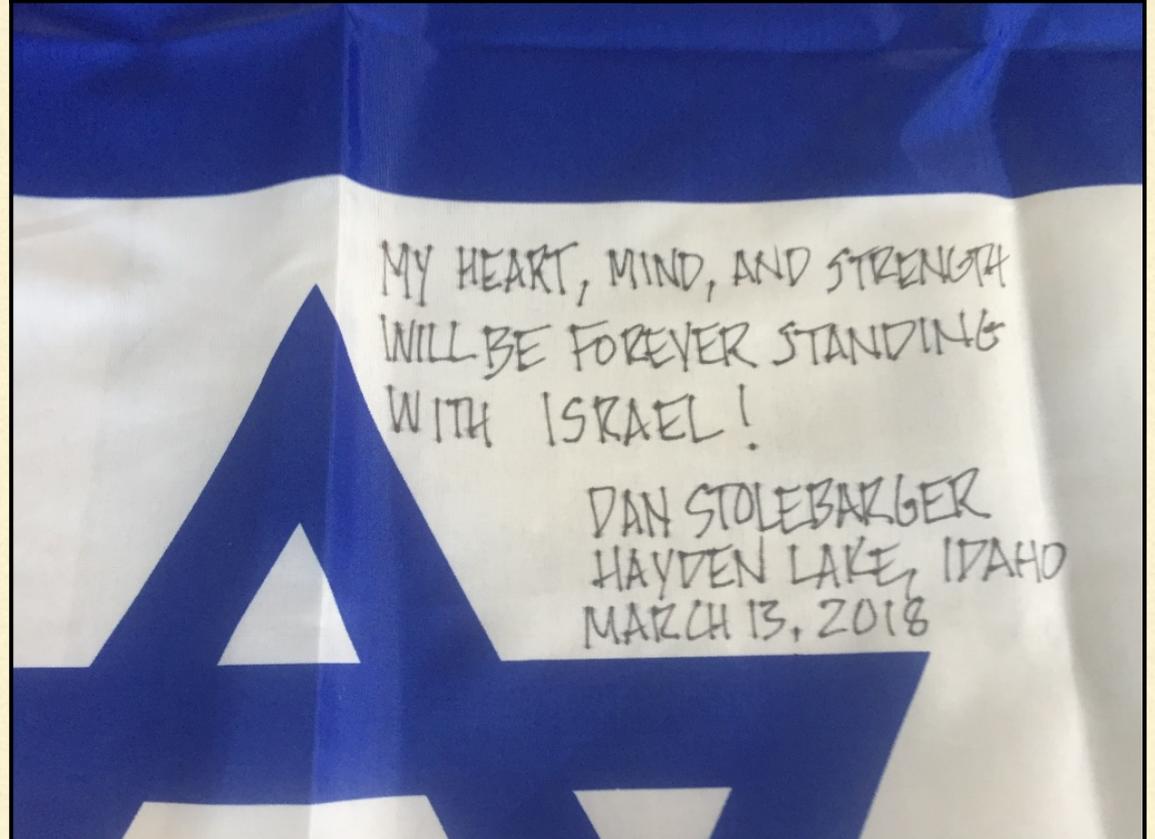
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NEWS BITES

Stay Classy - Rashida ... Tlaib on Trump: We're going to impeach that motherf**ker

A month long joint operation by the IDF, Israel Police Special Forces and the Shin Bet security agency to hunt down the perpetrator of the terrorist shooting at the Samaria outpost Givat Asaf in December ended Monday night when security forces arrested the shooter, Assam Barghouti.

Abbas: 'I may not have the strength to fight, but I won't die a traitor' - 'Moderate' Abbas Equates Peace with Treason

ULTIMATE DEAL WATCH – Unveiling of Trump's much-anticipated Israeli-Palestinian peace plan to be delayed by months.

The Kremlin on Wednesday said it had no intention of interfering in Israeli or any other country's elections, distancing itself from suspicions raised by the head of Israel's Shin Bet security agency who said earlier in the week that a foreign nation was planning to meddle with the vote.

Turkish president calls off planned meeting with Trump's National Security Adviser after Bolton called on Turkey to avoid harming Kurds in Syria.



APARTHEID



"The Ramallah Grand Criminal Court sentenced a Palestinian identified only by his initials I.A. to life in prison with hard labor after it found him guilty of selling Palestinian land to a foreign country," Palestinian news agency Wafa reported on Monday.

The sale of land to Jews in Palestinian society is considered a religious offense as well as treason and can be punishable by death. Death sentences must be approved by PA Chairman Mahmoud Abbas, who has been reluctant to do so, favoring prison terms.

64.4% of Palestinians support the death sentence for selling land to Jews

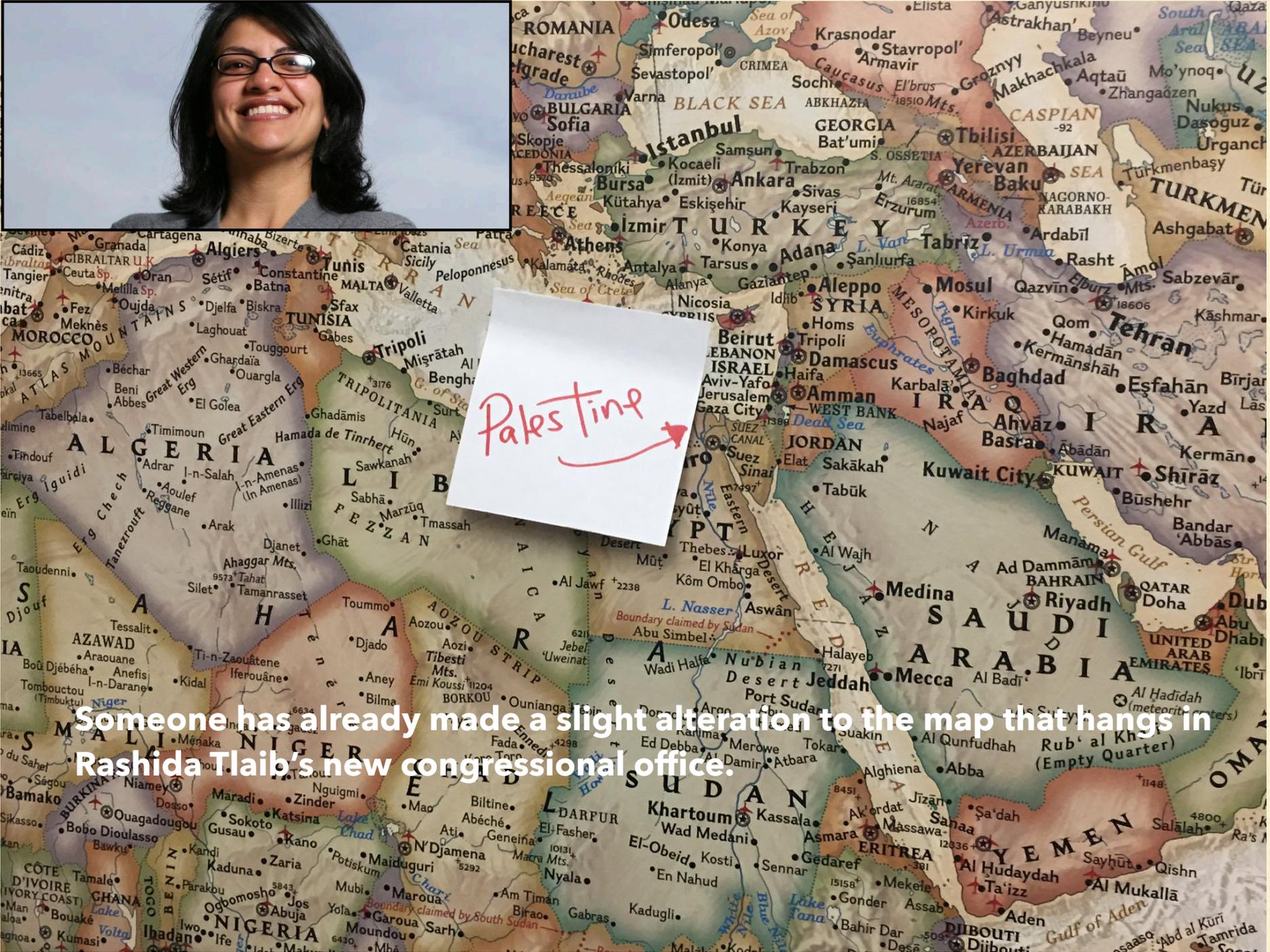


FATAH'S FLOWERS



As Abbas' Fatah Movement celebrates its 54th anniversary, its dominant messages to its people are celebration of 54 years of violence together with the promise of more violence in the future. Fatah is declaring to Palestinians once again, that Fatah has not and will never "drop the rifle" or abandon terror - what it euphemistically calls "the armed struggle." The image of the rifle is the main theme of this year's celebrations. In the picture above, which Fatah posted on its official Facebook page, two young girls holding assault rifles are shown leading a march of uniformed men, who are also holding assault rifles.





Someone has already made a slight alteration to the map that hangs in Rashida Tlaib's new congressional office.

GOLAN HEIGHTS



Netanyahu addressed Bolton, "When you're there, you'll be able to understand perfectly why we'll never leave the Golan Heights, and why it's important that all countries recognize Israel's sovereignty over the Golan Heights." Netanyahu's plea was well received by at least two Republican congressmen, Senators Ted Cruz of Texas and Tom Cotton of Arkansas, who issued a statement in favor of Israeli sovereignty.



"Responding to the threat posed by Iran and its proxies requires ensuring that Israel can defend its territory and its citizens from attacks," Cruz and Cotton announced on Sunday. "To support Israel's right to self-defense, Washington should take the long overdue step of affirming Israeli sovereignty over the Golan Heights."





Gaza terrorists sent a cluster of colorful balloons connected to an explosive device across the border into Israeli territory. Palestinian sources in Gaza report that Hamas is planning to renew the balloon attacks. Both the so-called kite and tire units are said to have received a new budget to prepare for the next round of violence.



ISRAEL STRIKES GAZA

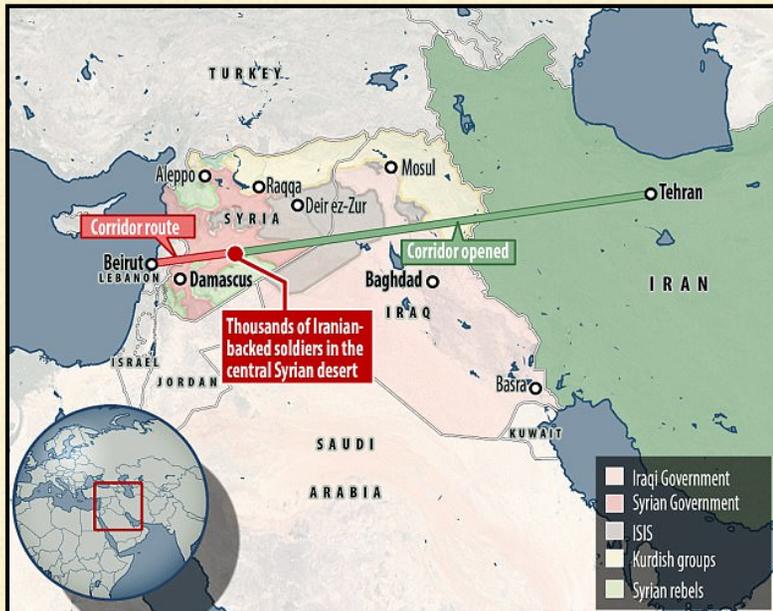


Israeli Air Force fighter jets and an attack helicopter struck a number of terror targets at a Hamas military camp in the north of the Gaza Strip on Sunday night, the Israel Defense Force reports.

The air attack was in retaliation for a missile that was launched earlier that evening from Hamas territory toward the Israeli city of Ashkelon. The missile was intercepted by the Iron Dome missile system, the IDF said. Residents said they heard loud explosions, likely a result of the interception.



IRAN / SYRIA



The decision of the US to remove their troops from Syria is a big deal. But, how should it be viewed? Former Ambassador, Dr. Dore Gold is one of the closest foreign policy advisers to Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu. He explains that Iran will probably be emboldened by the move of the United States. An Iran corridor from Iran through the northern part of Syria into Lebanon and into the hands of the Hizbullah is a big deal. Shiite militias in Syria are under Iranian command. There are tens of thousands of fighters like this. The Chief of Staff of the Israeli Army, Gadi Eizenkot explained that the main goal of the Iranians is to build up 100,000 fighters in Syria under their command. This is so that Iran can pressure Israel from the Golan Heights too.



BIASED NY TIMES



While Hamas is happy to boast openly about their fighters tearing at the border fences in Gaza and hiding behind civilians to evade Israeli soldiers—the *New York Times* makes no mention of this. Israeli soldiers are portrayed as faceless killing machines, without a single reference to the fire kites, terror tunnels, rockets or cross border explosive devices utilized by the Palestinians, or to the double war crime of Hamas targeting Israeli civilians by firing rockets from behind Palestinian civilians.

A biased one-sided story in the *Times* only encourages Hamas to use more human shields so as to increase civilian deaths and make the false case for war crimes. As long as the *Times* and other media continue to approach this issue in a biased manner, we can expect to see the cycle of Hamas's criminal behavior continue. All in all, it is a shockingly irresponsible report.



HAMAS / FATAH

Many in the West say they would like to see Israel and the Palestinians return to the negotiating table. They want Israelis and Palestinians to resume the so-called peace process. They are hoping that Israel and the Palestinians will manage to reach a historic agreement that would end the Israeli-Arab conflict and bring real peace to the Middle East.

The region, however, does not need a "peace process" between Israel and the Palestinians. It needs one of a different type. The "peace process" that the Middle East is crying out for is one between Palestinians and Palestinians, one that would end their bloody, internecine war.

Before pushing "peace" upon Israel and the Palestinians, it would be helpful if the international community first tried to help the Palestinians stop torturing each other. The Palestinians cannot make peace with Israel while they are busy killing their own people. The Palestinians cannot make peace with Israel when their leaders lead only themselves -- to money and power.



GREAT NEWS!!!

There have been a plethora of articles and videos in the Israeli media, looking very favorably on the subject of Jesus and his story. Another article talked of “yet another sign that the centuries of bad blood between Jews and Christians is finally giving way to warmer relations.”

Jesus was our flesh and blood, a Jewish superstar, the most influential Jew of all time.” Whether it’s in the main stream media or in personal conversations, we are noticing a significant shift in attitudes towards Jesus. This is fantastic news!

As our study found a couple of years ago, there are at least 30,000 Messianic believers that we know of attending congregations, but we know that there are many more besides under the radar. Our estimate is that there might be another 20,000 or so who do not attend any congregation, either because there isn’t one in their area, or as a result of the profound family and social implications that come with declaring faith in Jesus.



ANTI – BDS NEWS



The vast majority of the Democratic senators eyeing a 2020 bid have, as of this writing, either opposed or refused to support the Israel Anti-Boycott Act, legislation that would criminalize boycotting the Jewish state.

Likewise, there was a fierce left-wing resistance to the Combatting BDS Act, a second piece of legislation on the issue which would grant federal protection to states that pass anti-BDS laws.

Florida Senator Marco Rubio sought to push it through as the first Senate bill introduced under the new Congress, but the Senate voted it down for further consideration Tuesday.



The George Soros-funded J Street, a leading critic of Israel, has reversed its endorsement of Rashida Tlaib, the Democratic Party candidate for Congress in Michigan who advocated slashing U.S. aid to Israel, called for a one-state solution and expressed support for the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions (BDS) movement against Israel.





"I am only one,
but still I am one.
I cannot do everything,
but still I can
do something.
I will not refuse to do
the something
I can do."

- *Helen Keller*

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