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ISRAELI ELECTIONS



The final batch of polls conducted before Tuesday's elections showed the centrist Blue and White widening its lead over Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's Likud party, even as the surveys unanimously indicated that the incumbent prime minister was best positioned to form the next government.



ELECTION RESULTS

According to the exit polls, Israeli Prime Minister Netanyahu has succeeded in growing the Likud party with more seats, against all the odds. This is a huge accomplishment since the Israeli legal and media establishment were working against PM Netanyahu the whole campaign. Netanyahu had to deal with the legal establishment opening up three indictments against him right before the elections. In addition, the competing Blue/White party, and the media, pushed forth a fourth legal case against Netanyahu, that was actually closed by the Attorney General. Netanyahu and the Likud did not only not lose seats, but they grew in seats, according to the exit polls. Even though the initial exit polls give the Blue/White party more seats than the Likud, the exit polls show that Netanyahu has a much better chance of putting together a coalition of 61 parliament members. This is a huge accomplishment. He overcame all the odds. This is good news for those of us who were worried that Netanyahu and the Likud would lose big already from the exit polls, and begin the night believing that we lost the experienced and successful leadership of PM Netanyahu.

DAN'S MUSINGS



Sitting on a plane wondering what will happen over the next few weeks. There are so many possibilities from war with Gaza, Syria, Hezbollah all on the horizon ... and we might as well throw Iran into that mix.

Will Israel choose a new leader or will it remain with the one who has a track record in regards to safety?

Will Trump's Ultimate Peace Plan ever see the light of day? Will it be gift wrapped and presented on Israel's birthday? Will it include a two-state or simply a one state solution?

And what will the Arab nations do ... or better yet what how will Russia respond?

Oh, what interesting times we live in!



NEWS BITES

Israel's 'Quiet' Time - 501 Terror Attacks!

A total of 55 terrorist attacks were recorded across Israel over the past week, bringing the total number of attacks in 2019 to 501.

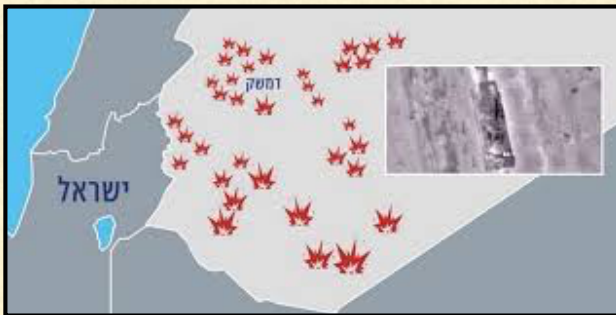
Netanyahu is trying to use Putin to attract the votes of immigrants from the former Soviet Union, who share a birthplace with Liberman and make up a major constituency for him and his party."

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said he had made clear to President Donald Trump that he is not prepared to evacuate "a single person" from any West Bank settlements.

Palestinian Authority Warns: 'Chaos, Violence' if Israel Annexes Judea, Samaria



THE REAL DEAL



The Israeli Air Force (IAF) on Wednesday night carried out a massive strike against Iranian military targets inside Syria, killing at least seven people from Iranian forces and their supporting militias, Arab media sources say. Although Israel has not officially commented on the attack, Minister of Intelligence and Acting Foreign Minister Yisrael Katz said in an interview, "According to what the Iranians know, it is Israel who attacked." Iran's military build-up in Syria remains a red line for Israel. The IAF has carried out thousands of attacks to thwart the Iranian entrenchment in the wartorn country. Iran uses its positions in Syria to transfer weapons and infrastructure to its terror proxy in Lebanon, Hezbollah, while attempting to establish another military front against Israel from the Syrian Golan Heights.



CITY OF DAVID



2,600 Year-Old Seal Bearing Name Of "Servant of the King"

A clay seal bearing the inscription, "*Natan-Melech*, servant of the king" was found in the City of David. The Israel Antiquities Authority (IAA) announced the find, dating it to the First Temple period. *Natan Melech* is mentioned in the book of II Kings as a servant of King Josiah. He lived near the entrance to the Temple, close to the courtyard where the horses had been kept that were used in sun-worship before Josiah disposed of both the horses and the chariots that they had pulled.

HAMAS – BOMB TV



Hamas leader Yahya Sinwar says that his “people” want the terror group to attack Tel Aviv. Rockets have been fired at Tel Aviv from Gaza in the past, including earlier this month, though Hamas maintained that the most recent attack was a mistake. “[The Palestinian] people say: ‘O (Al-Qassam Brigades), beloved ones, bomb Tel Aviv,’” Sinwar declared. The Al-Qassam Brigades are the so-called military wing of the Hamas terror group.



WHAT'S UP – GOLAN



No country in history has ever given back to a sworn enemy militarily essential territory that has been captured in a defensive war. No reasonable person would ask the Israelis to give the Golan Heights to the Syrian mass murderer Assad. It would be suicidal to hand the high ground overlooking Israeli towns and villages to a madman who would use it to target Israelis civilians with chemical barrel bombs, as Assad has done to his own citizens. No country has ever returned a battleship captured in a defensive war to an enemy sworn to its destruction. In addition, the Golan Heights is a big battleship that would be used to attack Israel.



Yesterday - Assad swore to retrieve every grain of dirt on the Golan and return it to Syria.

STAY TUNED



TRUMP DEAL DEAD?



ULTIMATE DEAL WATCH – Trump's Golan Move Means His 'Deal of the Century' May Be Dead – by Glen Carey: "By recognizing Israeli sovereignty over the long-disputed Golan Heights, Trump shoved Arab allies he's counting on to back his peace initiative into a corner..."



Saudi Arabia and Egypt are unlikely to throw their weight behind the proposal being drawn up by Jared Kushner and White House Middle East peace negotiator Jason Greenblatt, according to interviews with key diplomats and analysts in Washington.



**The most important thing a father
can do for his children is to love their mother,
and the most important thing a mother
can do for her children is to love their father**

– Anonymous



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