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MIDDLE EAST UPDATE



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HCE 2020 TOURS



MAY 6-15 - REVEALING ISRAEL TOUR

MAY 20-29 - ROCK CHURCH ISRAEL TOUR

MAY 29-JUNE 4TH - HIKING THE JESUS TRAIL

OCT 25 - NOV 3 - REVEALING ISRAEL TOUR



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DAN'S MUSINGS



What a MESS!

I am sitting here in Eilat having just come back from Petra in Jordan. As I look out my balcony I can see Jordan, Egypt, Saudi Arabia and of course Israel. The news here is ... What will the US do with Iran? Should Israel strike now? What really happened to Morsi?

And now the Palestinians are threatening a few days of VIOLENCE to protest Trump's Ultimate Peace Plan!

We got Sunni's vs Shiites and on and on and on!

What a MESS! But at least I know the only one that has this all mess under control! Do You?



NEWS BITES

TRUMP HEIGHTS – It's official. The new community in the Golan Heights set to be established in honor of President Trump will carry the name 'Ramat Trump' – Trump Heights in English, the Israeli government announced on Thursday.

President Trump teased during a gaggle on the South Lawn that "we have a lot of things going with Iran. We're very prepared for Iran. We'll see what happens. Let me just say this: We are very prepared. Regardless of what goes, we are very, very prepared." The president's comments came a day after the U.S. decided to send 1,000 additional troops to the Middle East to deter Iran.

Trump says he called off disproportionate Iran strike that would have killed 150. President says US military was 'cocked and loaded' to retaliate against Tehran for downing American drone; report says US has doubts its planes may have violated Iran airspace.

Half of Israelis surveyed say they worry about encountering anti-Semitism while vacationing abroad, this according to a new survey commissioned by the European Conference of Rabbis





US: Iran shot down drone in international airspace in 'unprovoked attack'. US Central Command confirms aircraft shot down by surface-to-air missile; Revolutionary Guard says drone switched off tracking equipment; Iran warns US against violating airspace.

US VS IRAN



Two oil tankers were attacked on Thursday and left adrift in the Gulf of Oman, driving up oil prices and stoking fears of a new confrontation between Iran and the United States, which blamed Tehran for the incident.

"It is the assessment of the United States government that the Islamic Republic of Iran is responsible for the attacks that occurred in the Gulf of Oman today," U.S. Secretary of State Mike Pompeo told reporters. "This assessment is based on intelligence, the weapons used, the level of expertise needed to execute the operation, recent similar Iranian attacks on shipping, and the fact that no proxy group operating in the area has the resources and proficiency to act with such a high degree of sophistication," Pompeo said.



FIRST STRIKE



If history is any guide, Israel may strike Iran while the world quietly watches.

Iran [shot down a U.S. drone](#) on June 19, further escalating tensions between Iran and its adversaries. Israel, which has faced threats to its national security since its founding as a Jewish homeland in the Middle East in 1948, is known to take aggressive, preventive action to protect itself - including by launching preemptive strikes on neighboring nations it perceives as threatening.

If international relations with Iran grow more volatile, Israel could take dramatic, unilateral action against its neighbor and longtime adversary.



PA VIOLENCE



In response to the U.S.-led Bahrain Workshop, Abbas' Fatah Movement is calling for violence against Israel on the exact days the conference is being held.

As part of their opposition to the U.S.-led conference in Bahrain next week, Palestinian leaders and faction representatives "emphasized that the 'Bahrain workshop' will be tantamount to a holocaust for the Arab principles and Palestinian rights," reported the *Al-Quds* media outlet.

An event has been planned to oppose the conference, referring to President Donald Trump's "Deal of the Century" as "The Holocaust of the Century."

In response to the Bahrain Conference, Palestinian Authority (PA) President Mahmoud Abbas' Fatah Movement is calling for violence against Israel on the specific days the conference is taking place.



JORDAN FED UP

Jordan is Fed up with Abbas



Jordanian officials are fuming over Palestinian Authority (PA) Chairman Mahmoud Abbas' management of the PA's financial crisis. Abbas has ordered PA officials not to meet Israeli officials to attempt to solve the problem. Jordan is concerned that a collapse of the PA will lead to violence, including towards Jordanians. Such a scenario would threaten the Hashemite kingdom's stability. *(They do not care about peace, just the kingdom's survival - so-called Palestinians are a threat to it!)*



REALLY – NZ



New Zealand's official government website, Immigration New Zealand, displayed a "fact sheet" this week that included a map labeling the entire area of Israel as "Palestine," the *Jewish Telegraphic Agency* reported. Additionally, "East Jerusalem" was designated as the "capital of the State of Palestine."

Bombarded with complaints on social media, the map was removed from the website, but screenshots remained.

With rising anti-Semitism worldwide and anti-Israel voices becoming louder, replacing the established State of Israel with the imaginary "State of Palestine" on maps is not a new occurrence.



MESSIANICS



As reported by Time Magazine in 2008, "Messianic Jews, as these Jews who believe in Jesus are called, number just a few in Israel -- anywhere between 6,000 and 15,000 -- but they provoke hatred all out of proportion to their meager numbers. Many orthodox Jews view them as traitors for joining the Christian faith, which for centuries has persecuted Jews.

Today, as the number of Messianic Jews in Israel has risen to about 30,000 and as the society at large is much more open to these Jewish believers in Jesus, opposition from ultra-Orthodox Jews continues to rise.



ALEXANDRIA OCASIO-CORTEZ



"There is a long tradition of members of Congress saying dumb things; nevertheless, this comment belongs in the Hall of Fame. It's not anti-Semitic. It's too sloppy for that," historian Gil Troy told JNS.



Outrage from pro-Israel and Jewish groups is growing at U.S. Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (D-N.Y.) for her remarks on Monday on her Instagram account that the United States is "running concentration camps on our southern border," in reference to the Trump administration's policies regarding illegal immigration.



QUOTE OF THE WEEK

**“Tolerance becomes a crime
when applied to evil.”**

Thomas Mann





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If you know anyone who would be interested in joining our KFIR Global Community, please send them to our website to get signed up. We have had great growth this year but believe God wants to continue growing this Group that seeks to be devoted to the WORD, to PRAYER and to be like the sons of ISSACHAR, who understood the times and knew what Israel should do!