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UPDATE

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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



"Double, double toil and trouble;
Fire burn and caldron bubble."

The Witches of Macbeth

I have been doing these Middle East Updates now for over five years and with all seriousness I cannot remember a time when things have been so volatile! The tic tic tic sound is reaching their highest decibels! Now, more than ever it is time for the sons and daughters of ISSACHAR to rise up. We must take our places as WATCHMEN on the walls and ROAR like good KFIR's.

Also, please help me grow this group!



NEWS BITES

The IDF's on high alert in the north in expectation of a Hezbollah attack. Forces were redeployed and restrictions on civilian traffic were placed on roads nearest to the Lebanese border.

This week, Israel struck Iran and its proxies in Lebanon, Iraq and Syria.

Hezbollah accuses Israel of sending suicide drones to attack it in Beirut, but the fallen drones appear to be Iranian. However, a Times of London report picked up by Ynet says that Israel "targeted crates believed to contain machinery to mix high-grade propellant for precision guided missiles." Israeli officials haven't commented.

Meanwhile, because of a possible meeting between President Donald Trump and Iranian President Hassan Rouhani,

US Backs Israel's Right to Self Defense as IDF Braces in North; Lebanese President Says Drone Attack was "Declaration of War"



NEWS BITES

Palestinian terrorists in Gaza fired three rockets at Israel, drawing IDF retaliatory airstrikes. Dramatic footage caught Iron Dome intercepting two rockets over a concert in Sderot.

HAMAS - Israel is suffering from rocket attacks, killer drone threats, and horrifying terrorist attacks. But the IDF response has become so routine that Hamas simply walked away before it came ...

Oops - In his desire to respond to the drone attack attributed to Israel, the Hezbollah leader revealed that his operatives are stationed on the Syrian Golan Heights. His confession granted Israel, which had pointed the finger at the Iranian Quds Force, an unexpected PR win.

WSJ - The Iran - Israel War is Here! Israel and Iran are at war. Israeli strikes this week in southern Syria, western Iraq and eastern Lebanon—and possibly even Beirut—confirm it.

President of Honduras Juan Orlando Hernández will visit Jerusalem on Sunday in part to inaugurate a “diplomatic office,” recognizing Jerusalem as the capital of Israel.





An Israeli teenage girl was killed and her father and older brother were wounded on Friday when a bomb was detonated at a natural spring near the West Bank settlement of Dolev. The scene of the incident – a popular recreation spot – is located about halfway between Modi'in and Ramallah. It is believed that an improvised explosive device was planted on an access route to the site and later set off remotely when the Shnerb family was in its vicinity.



TLAIB'S RESPONSE



Congressman Rashida Tlaib (D-Mich) expressed regret in a tweet on Friday for a terrorist attack in which a 17-year old girl was murdered and her father and brother were injured.

In the same post on Twitter, Tlaib also retweeted a post from an anti-Israel group that blamed the attack on the right-wing in Israel and the U.S.

GREENBLATT



"This vicious act, using an explosive device, comes a day after Abbas once again reasserted his commitment to the 'pay to slay' program, rewarding those engaged in the kinds of terror attacks witnessed today." Greenblatt slammed the Palestinian terror group Hamas for praising the attack, while calling on the world to rethink aid to the Palestinian Authority, which routinely provide payments to terrorists or their families.

"Hamas praised 17 yo Rina Shenrev's murder by Palestinian terrorists. The PA must unequivocally condemn this attack & the recent murder of 18 yo Dvir Sorek.



AL-AQSA MARTYRS BRIGADE



The terrorist bombing that killed 17-year-old Rina Shnerb on Friday came less than a week after a senior Fatah official called for Fatah's military wing to resume terrorist bombings. Fatah Movement Revolutionary Council member Hatem Abd Al-Qader demanded that "military activity of the Al-Aqsa Martyrs' Brigades be renewed," arguing that their activities "constituted a source of pain for the Israeli army at the start of the Al-Aqsa Intifada." The Intifada - the 5-year PA terror campaign in which more than 1,100 Israelis were murdered - was characterized by numerous bombings, in particular suicide bombings.



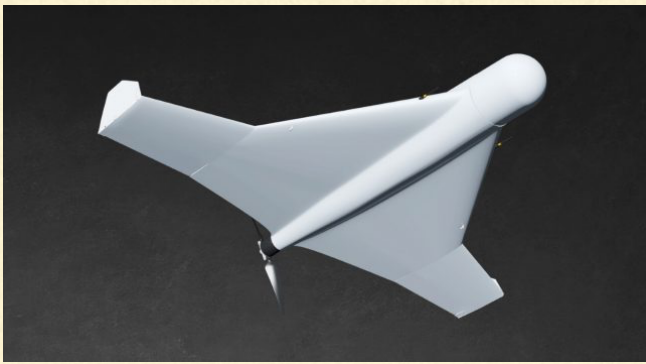
IDF STRIKES LEBANON



Last Sunday's drone attack on Hezbollah offices targeted a critical component in the manufacture of precision missiles, Israel media reported on Wednesday. The revelation explains the anger of Hezbollah leader Hassan Nasrallah and his promise to exact vengeance. The target, a planetary mixer, is essential in the production line of precision missiles. It mixes the rocket propellant to make the missiles more exact in hitting their target. The eight-ton, industrial-sized machine was being temporarily housed in an innocent-looking, nondescript box in the heart of Beirut near offices housing Hezbollah's propaganda arm. According to reports, the control systems for the mixer were destroyed and the mixer itself was damaged.



IDF STRIKES SYRIA



Israel announced on Sunday that it had carried out an airstrike overnight Saturday against Iranian forces and Shi'ite militias in Syria that were planning to attack the Jewish state with explosives-laden drones.

"In a major operational effort, we have thwarted an attack against Israel by the Iranian Quds Force & Shi'ite militias. I reiterate: Iran has no immunity anywhere. Our forces operate in every sector against the Iranian aggression. 'If someone rises up to kill you, kill him first,'" Netanyahu tweeted late Saturday night, quoting the Talmudic dictum.

The Israel Defense Forces tweeted on Sunday that Quds Force commander Qassem Soleimani "commanded an attack of killer drones on Israel, Iranian Quds operatives flew to the Damascus Intl. Airport with drones & explosives, and continued to an Iranian base in Syria to prepares for an attack on Israel. An attack that never happened. We attacked their base."



IDF DRONES CRASH

After two suicide drones crashed on Sunday, Hezbollah leader Hassan Nasrallah warned Israeli soldiers at the border to "await our response."

"We know that these drones came from Israel, we will give proof," Nasrallah said via video.

"Israel thinks we will not react, but if we do not respond then it will allow them to do it again. ... Our country will try to solve the problem diplomatically at the United Nations, but we are the only one that can prevent the next strike."

Nasrallah added: "I am telling Israeli residents on the northern border, do not believe your government that you are safe - you are not."

Nasrallah is lying about Israeli drones in Beirut; Lebanon must urgently wise up

Netanyahu warns Hezbollah, Lebanon to calm down, be careful amid attack fears





created all over the world, Haaretz reports.
isn't ready for the threat.

US / IRAQ – ISRAEL



The Pentagon issued a statement that Iraq “has the right to control their own internal security and protect their democracy” following recent attacks reportedly conducted by Israel on its territory. “We support Iraqi sovereignty and have repeatedly spoken out against any potential actions by external actors inciting violence in Iraq,” Dept. of Defense Chief Pentagon Spokesperson Jonathan R. Hoffman said in a statement released on the Pentagon’s website.

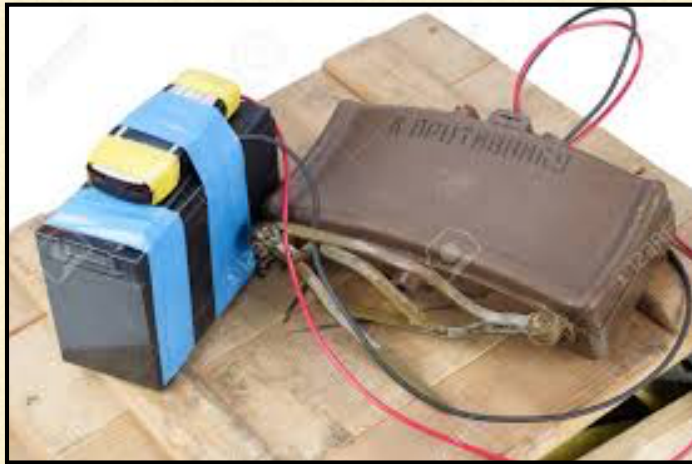
Israel has been blamed for a series of airstrikes on Iraqi territory. The most recent was on Sunday when a drone strike reportedly hit a pro-Iranian militia affiliated with Hezbollah, killing one and destroying two vehicles carrying arms. On August 12, fingers pointed at Israel for an attack on a military base southwest of Baghdad belonging to the same militia, called the Popular Mobilization Forces. One civilian was killed and 13 were wounded in that attack, according to reports.



MORE IED'S



IDF sappers neutralized an improvised explosive device (IED) adjacent to Route 555 in on Monday afternoon. The sappers verify that the object, a modified fire extinguisher containing five kilograms of explosives, was indeed a bomb.



"An IDF tracker discovered the device during a patrol near the Shomron (Samaria) brigade regional headquarters. The attack with an explosive device is of the same type that took the life of Rina Shenrev three days ago. That IED contained three kilograms of explosives and was situated adjacent to a boulder to amplify the effect.

Tzachi Dickstein, chairman of the Samaria Settlers' Committee, commented on the incident. "This is the fourth terrorist attempt in the last two weeks,"



DRONE INVASION



Drone armies are being created all over the world, Haaretz reports.
Israel isn't ready for the threat.



JORDAN UNREST



Jordan Parliament recommended the country expel Israel's ambassador, recall the Jordanian ambassador to Israel, and re-examine the peace agreement between the two countries.

Jordan condemned the Israeli activity at Al-Aqsa Mosque and on the Temple Mount. In fact, the "violations", Jordan complained of, were Israeli police defending themselves from terrorists who attacked them.

(It will create an opportunity for Israel to reclaim all Jewish land allocated by the League of Nations for the Eretz-Israel!)



TRUMP AND IRAN



Bloomberg's Eli Lake opined: "Trump appears to be willing to negotiate a second version of his predecessor's narrow nuclear deal."

VIEW FROM JERUSALEM – The Israeli government reportedly expressed concern about the possibility of renewed U.S.-Iran talks, which could kickoff during the U.N. General Assembly in New York next month. "We have no interest in talks between the U.S. and Iran, but our ability to influence Trump or confront him on this issue is pretty limited," one Israeli cabinet minister told Channel 13's Barak Ravid. Another senior official was quoted as saying: "We were very lucky that until now the Iranians rejected all of Trump's proposals for talks."



AMAZON T-SHIRT





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