

"And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift your heads, for your redemption draweth nigh" - Luke 21:28

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TERRORIST THREATS

Authorities checking 'Al-Qaeda' threats to New York, Berlin

Israel National News reports: "Authorities in New York and Berlin are investigating threats made on websites associated with Islamist radicals that posted threats promising to conduct attacks in both cities. Officials in New York said that it was possible that the threats were genuine, although they were also investigating the possibility that the threats were a prank.

Meanwhile, in Berlin, officials said that the threats probably did emanate from Al-Qaeda associated groups, who are demanding the release of a terrorist being held in a German prison.

The New York threat was detected by authorities on a website used by Islamists to communicate. The threat comes in the form of a 'movie poster,' showing New York's famous skyline at sunset. Emblazoned on the forefront of the post is the text 'Al Qaeda: Coming Soon Again in New York.'..." **(Terrorist threats will increase as a final sign before Christ returns — Luke 21: 9, 27, 28, 31, and 32. See the next two reports.)**

Terror cells on high alert to attack U.S.

WND.com reports: "Terror cells have been placed on high alert to attack targets in the United States and Europe should Iran's nuclear facilities be attacked, a source in the Revolutionary Guards says.

The terror cells in the U.S. are being coordinated by Quds Force personnel operating out of the Iranian Interests Section in Washington, the source says. Because Iran and the U.S. have no diplomatic relations, Iran's Interests Section operates under the umbrella of the Pakistani embassy...

Analysts in Iran believe Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, the supreme leader, has provided two choices to the West: either accept a nuclear Iran or face all-out retaliation if its nuclear facilities are attacked..."

Terrorism expert to Congress: Iran willing to approve attacks against U.S.

Haaretz reports: "Iran and the United States are engaged in a shadow war, Dr. Matthew Levitt, director of the Stein Program on Counterterrorism and Intelligence at

The Washington Institute, told the Congress Committee of Homeland Security...

According to Levitt, who had been deputy assistant secretary for intelligence and analysis at the U.S. Department of the Treasury in the past, Iranian leaders appear to be more willing to approve attacks in the U.S.

'It is no longer clear that Iran sees carrying out an attack in the United States as crossing some sort of red line,' he said..."

U.S. lawmaker: Iran may fave Hezbollah operatives in U.S.

Voice of America News reports: "The Republican chairman of the House Homeland Security Committee, Peter King, said the Iranian-backed militant group Hezbollah may have hundreds of operatives based in the United States, and he said Hezbollah, and not al-Qaida, poses the greatest terrorist threat to Americans. King held a hearing with former government officials testifying.

House Homeland Security Committee Chairman Peter King of New York takes U.S. national security

very seriously, and he says the terrorist threat to the United States may be shifting.

‘Now, as Iran moves closer to nuclear weapons, and there is increasing concern over war between Iran and Israel, we must also focus on Iran’s secret operatives and their number one terrorist proxy force, Hezbollah, which we know is in America,’ said King...” **(Iran claims to have 40,000 suicide bombers trained and waiting to wreak mass devastation upon American lives and soil. The above information makes it clear that many terrorists are already present in our nation. Troublesome days are ahead — II Timothy 3:1; Luke 21:25.)**

Al-Qaida says it killed American language teacher in Yemen

Voice of America News reports: “A Yemeni militant group affiliated with al-Qaida says it has shot and killed an American teacher in southern Yemen for preaching Christianity.

Militants riding a motorcycle shot the man in his car in the southern

city of Taiz. Yemeni officials say the American had been working at a European-run language institute. Authorities launched an investigation to find the perpetrators of the attack.

A U.S. State Department official confirmed the killing of the U.S. citizen in a statement sent to *VOA*, condemning it as a ‘heinous crime’ and urging Yemen to bring those responsible to justice.

Al-Qaida linked group Ansar al-Sharia sent a text message to Yemen-based journalists saying it killed the American because he was a Christian missionary. Islamist militants often accuse Western aid and development groups of proselytizing...” **(The following texts predict terroristic murders during the seven year period called the Great Tribulation — Revelation 7:14; Revelation 6:9; 13:15; 20:4. See the next report.)**

Al-Qaeda ‘could target UK youths’

BBC News reports: “British youths from African communities could become radicalised as al-Qaeda looks

to Africa to build its strength, the Rusi think tank has suggested.

It says such a development would pose new challenges for UK and other Western intelligence services.

It warns of potential for new or greater radicalisation among British youths from the Somali and other east and west African communities.

The government said it was tackling home-grown terrorist threats.

Radicalisation has already been seen during the past 15 years among some young members of the Pakistani, North African and Indian communities in Britain, the report published by the Royal United Services Institute suggests.

Report author Valentina Soria said: ‘Most significant is the potential for radicalisation and then mobilisation of a new subset of British youths.’

‘The UK could soon be facing much greater radicalisation among the Somali minority and new radicalisation in some sections of other communities from east and west African countries.’...”

CONTENDING FOR THE FAITH

Panel to review Wycliffe and SIL Bible translations

ChristianToday.com reports: “A panel has been formed to carry out an independent review of Wycliffe and SIL International’s translation of ‘God the Father’ and the ‘Son of God’.

The World Evangelical Alliance, which works in 129 countries, was asked to establish the panel in the light

of the controversy surrounding the translation of ‘Father’ and ‘Son’ for Muslim contexts.

In Arabic and Turkish translations of the Bible, ‘Father’ is replaced with ‘Allah’, while ‘Messiah’ is used where ‘Son’ would appear in standard translations.

It has been suggested that direct translations of the term could be

understood by some Muslims to mean that Jesus was the result of God’s procreation with Mary.

Critics of the changes, including John Piper and Vern Poythress, argue that the translations blur the Trinity.

In a statement posted to his website this month, Poythress wrote: ‘How we may best preserve both accuracy and understandability in translation

has to be determined by those with more knowledge than I concerning the languages in question.

‘But it is worth emphasizing that, in all these endeavours, translators need to submit completely to Scripture, which is the word of God and therefore carries divine authority.’...” **(This explanation is ridiculous and nonsensical. God’s Word has been inspired since the Holy Spirit moved upon holy men to write the unalterable texts once and forever — II Peter 2:1; II Timothy 3:16; Revelation 22:18, 19.)**

Egypt jails Christian student to three years in jail for insulting Islam

Reuters reports: “An Egyptian court sentenced a 17-year-old Christian boy to three years in jail for publishing cartoons on his Facebook page that mocked Islam and the Prophet Mohammad, actions that sparked sectarian violence.

Gamal Abdou Massoud was also accused of distributing some of his cartoons to his school friends in a village in the southern city of Assiut, home to a large Christian population and the hometown of the late Coptic Orthodox Pope Shenouda.

‘Assiut child’s court ordered the jailing of Gamal Abdou Massoud ... for three years after he insulted Islam and published and distributed pictures that insulted Islam and its Prophet,’ the court said in a statement seen by *Reuters*...” **(If Christian nations imprisoned the millions of members who spoke out against our wonderful Lord Jesus Christ, our prisons would be unable to hold the horrendous number of Christ haters. Instead, the hour is coming and soon when the critics of Christ**

will face the eternal judgment of God — Exodus 20:7; Jude 1:14, 15.)

Muslim chief demands destruction of churches

WND.com reports: “A Muslim leader in Saudi Arabia is calling for the destruction of all Christian churches in Kuwait because he believes that is what Islam demands, according to a report.

In an article published by the Middle East Forum, Raymond Ibrahim, a Shillman Fellow at the David Horowitz Freedom Center and an associate fellow at the Middle East Forum, cites several Arabic language web publications that quoted Sheik Abdul Aziz bin Abdullah, the grand mufti of Saudi Arabia, declaring it is ‘necessary to destroy all the churches of the region.’

Ibrahim reported the Muslim leader’s comment was in response to a question by a delegation from Kuwait, where a member of parliament recently also called for churches to be removed.

‘Accordingly, the grand mufti ‘stressed that Kuwait was a part of the Arabian Peninsula, and therefore it is necessary to destroy all churches in it,’ Ibrahim reported...” **(Imagine men like Rick Warren promoting the similarities between Islam and Christianity — the Koran and God’s Holy Word, the Bible. Our Lord Jesus predicted such leaders just before His return — II Thessalonians 2:3-12; Matthew 24:5, 11, 24. See the next three reports.)**

Militants force Christians to flee homes in Syria

ChristianToday.com reports: “While the world is raising concerns over rights abuses by anti-government

forces in Syria’s ongoing violent conflict, few would even know that militant Islamists have expelled the majority of Christians from the western city of Homs, according to the country’s largest church.

The Catholic news agency *Fides* says it has received a note from the Syrian Orthodox Church, which represents 60 percent of the Christians in Syria, about ‘an ongoing ethnic cleansing of Christians’ by members of the militant Islamist outfit, Brigade Faruq, which has links with al-Qaeda.

The militants have expelled 90 per cent of Christians in Homs, which has faced the brunt of violence related to the uprising.

Homes were also seized, the news agency said, as militants went door to door in the neighbourhoods of Hamidiya and Bustan al-Diwan forcing Christians to flee without giving them the chance to take their belongings...”

Church growing in Iran despite repression

ChristianToday.com reports: “Despite the Iranian government’s ongoing crackdown on Christians living in the primarily Islamic country, the number of Muslims converting to Christianity is growing at an explosive rate in Iran, says Open Doors USA.

There is even talk of witnessing a Christian revival, especially among young people living in the country, say Open Doors ministry workers in the Middle East.

A house church movement within Iran is part of that revival and has triggered ‘many secret meetings’. The growth in the number of Christians is reportedly happening in all regions, but mostly in larger cities.

Iran is ranked 5th on the Open Doors 2012 World Watch List of the top 50 worst persecutors of Christians...”

Two killed in grenade attack on Christian meeting in Kenya

ChristianToday.com reports: “*Compass Direct News* is reporting that an 8-year-old boy died from injuries after suspected Islamic extremists threw a grenade into a Christian revival meeting near Kenya’s coastal town of Mombasa.

The grenade instantly killed a woman and injured at least 30 people in the attack...

According to *Compass Direct*, Kenyan Internal Security Minister George Saitoti said Islamic extremists from the rebel al Shabaab militia in Somalia were suspected of carrying out the deadly blast, although the group has not claimed responsibility.

“The government, which began military operations against al Shabaab in Somalia last October, issued a warning of a possible attack by al

Shabaab during Easter celebrations in Kenya this weekend,” said *CDN*.

The meeting, organized by the Mtwapa Pastors’ Fellowship, brought together 500 Christians from 16 denominations at the Kandara event site in Kilifi County, around 10 miles from Mombasa...”

Arab Lecturer: Moses Led Muslims out of Egypt

Israel National News reports: “Dr. Omar Ja’ara, lecturer at Al-Najah University in Nablus specializing in Israeli affairs, said on Fatah television on February 15 that Moses led the Muslims out of Egypt and that the Exodus was the first instance of ‘Palestinian’ liberation through armed struggle, reported the Palestinian Media Watch.

“We must make clear to the world that David in the Hebrew Bible is not connected to David in the Quran,” he said. “Solomon in the Hebrew Bible is not connected to the Solomon in the Quran and neither is Saul or Joshua

son of Nun.

“We have a great leader, Saul, who defeated the nation of the giants and killed Goliath. This is a Muslim victory.

“The Muslims of the Children of Israel went out of Egypt under the leadership of Moses and unfortunately, many researchers deny the Exodus of these oppressed people who were liberated by a great leader like Moses the Muslim, the believing leader, the great Muslim, who was succeeded by Saul, the leader of these Muslims in liberating Palestine,” Ja’ara claimed.

“This was the first Palestinian liberation through armed struggle to liberate Palestine from the nation of giants led by Goliath,” he added. “This is our logic and this is our culture...”
(Historians know the stupidity of the above nonsense. Mohammad lived and started Islam in the 7th Century. The Muslim religion is only 1,400 years old. No knowledgeable person could place them into Biblical settings of thousands of years ago — II Timothy 3:13.)

KINGS OF THE EAST

U.S. miscalculates China military growth

SpaceWar.com reports: “The United States has underestimated the growth of China’s military as policymakers have taken public statements at face value or failed to understand Beijing’s thinking, a study said...”

The report prepared for the U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission said the United States had a mixed record on predicting the rising power’s new weaponry, including largely missing the emergence of more

advanced submarines.

As for the speed of military modernization, the study found ‘identifiable cases of miscalculation’ with China developing anti-ship ballistic missiles and stealth fighter-jets earlier than the United States expected.

U.S. analysis could have improved if more experts read Chinese or even looked at open publications such as academic technical journals, it said.

“U.S. observers should not take at face value statements from the Chinese

government on military policy, as they could either be deceptive, or simply issued by agencies’ such as the foreign ministry ‘that have no real say over military matters,’ it said...”

(China prepares for one of the most devastating wars in history. It is the second invasion of Israel after Russia and her Muslim allies fail in their bloodbath in the Middle East — Ezekiel 38:1, 2, 8, 16; 39:1, 2, 12, 13; Revelation 16:12; Revelation 9:14 -18. See also the next two reports.)

China cyber warfare skills a risk to U.S. military: report

SpaceDaily.com reports: “China’s cyber warfare capabilities have reached a point where they would pose a danger to the U.S. military in the event of a conflict, according to a report prepared for the U.S. Congress ...

The report by defense contractor Northrop Grumman for the U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission said China’s People’s Liberation Army (PLA) has placed great emphasis on what is known as ‘information confrontation.’

‘(PLA) leaders have embraced the idea that successful warfighting is based on the ability to exert control

over an adversary’s information and information systems,’ the report said.

‘PLA analysts consistently identify logistics and (command-and-control) infrastructure as U.S. strategic centers of gravity, which they would almost certainly target in the event of the conflict,’ it said.

The report said ‘Chinese capabilities in computer network operations have advanced sufficiently to pose genuine risk to U.S. military operations in the event of a conflict.’...”

China ups the pressure to prevent a strike on Iran’s nuclear facilities

Haaretz reports: “A senior Chinese diplomat said an attack on Iran would

invite devastating retaliation that would envelop the region and destabilize the global economic recovery, and added that the international community had to restrain itself from war.

Iran is locked in a dispute with the West over its nuclear program, which Iran says is for peaceful purposes.

Israel and the United States have threatened military action against Iran unless it abandons activities which the West suspects are intended to develop nuclear weapons.

China, which has close energy and trade ties with Iran, has urged a negotiated solution to the dispute and long opposed the use of force or unilateral sanctions on Iran...”

NEWS FROM RUSSIA

Russia exasperated with U.S. over missile defense

The Christian Science Monitor reports: “A top Russian defense official warned that NATO’s plans to install an anti-missile shield in Europe are a ‘litmus test’ for future relations between Moscow and the West.

The tough statement by deputy defense minister Anatoly Antonov comes ahead of a planned summit between Russian president-elect Vladimir Putin and President Obama, and signals Moscow’s growing exasperation with the US position after a flurry of optimism earlier this month.

Russian sources say it appears to be a long and empty dialogue that will ultimately leave Russia out in the cold as NATO deploys its missile shield, which is ostensibly meant to protect against Iranian missiles.

‘This is a very sensitive subject for us,’ says Andrei Klimov, deputy chair of the State Duma’s international affairs committee. ‘It looks like the Americans are just stringing us along. If this anti-missile system is really not directed against Russia, why not sign a legal document declaring that? Why not to give Russia access to real monitoring of the system?’...”

(President Obama recently told Medvedev to tell Putin that he will make changes favorable to them after the election. He has also promised the same to the Palestinians after he’s elected a second time. God help America if he wins — James 1:8.)

Russia deplores West’s hostile attitude towards Iran

The Fars News Agency reports: “A senior Russian diplomat lashed out at the West for its hostile approach towards Iran, and warned that the

attitude will undermine the unity of the international community.

‘Although Russia agrees with the international community on the need for further transparency about the peaceful nature of Iran’s nuclear program, it considers imposing unilateral sanctions against Iran as an impediment to the unity of the international community,’ Russia’s permanent representative to the United Nations, Vitaly Churkin, said...

Speaking to Russian Radio, Churkin stressed that Russia favors Iran and the Group 5+1 to resume their talks to remove the differences and ambiguities...” **(Iran and Russia will be allies in the next war. This headline is a preview of what’s ahead. Ezekiel chapters 38 and 39 predict a rapidly approaching war headed up by Russia. Ezekiel 38:5 sees Persia allied with Russia. Persia changed its name to Iran in 1935.)**

CYBER INSECURITY

Internet activity 'to be monitored' under new laws

The London Daily Telegraph reports: “Under legislation expected in the Queen’s Speech, internet companies will be instructed to install hardware enabling GCHQ — the Government’s electronic ‘listening’ agency — to examine ‘on demand’ any phone call made, text message and email sent, and website accessed in ‘real time’, *The Sunday Times* reported.

A previous attempt to introduce a similar law was abandoned by the former Labour government in 2006 in the face of fierce opposition.

However ministers believe it is essential that the police and security services have access to such communications data in order to tackle terrorism and protect the public.

Although GCHQ would not be able to access the content of such communications without a warrant,

the legislation would enable it to trace people, individuals, or groups in contact with, and how often and for how long they are in communication.

The Home Office confirmed that ministers were intending to legislate ‘as soon as parliamentary time allows’.

‘It is vital that police and security services are able to obtain communications data in certain circumstances to investigate serious crime and terrorism and to protect the public. We need to take action to maintain the continued availability of communications data as technology changes,’ a spokesman said...” (**Big Brother is watching — Revelation 13:15-18.**)

Official: FBI losing war on hackers

SpaceDaily.com reports: “America is losing the war against hackers, an executive assistant director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation says.

Shawn Henry, who is getting ready to leave the bureau after more than two decades with the law enforcement agency, says the United States is falling behind in the ongoing fight against cyber ne’er-do-wells, *ZDNet.com* reported.

‘I don’t see how we ever come out of this without changes in technology or changes in behavior, because with the status quo, it’s an unsustainable model,’ Henry told *The Wall Street Journal*. ‘Unsustainable in that you never get ahead, never become secure, never have a reasonable expectation of privacy or security.’

As hackers around the world increasingly target U.S. business and government Web sites, ‘we’re not winning,’ Henry said.

FBI agents are constantly finding data stolen from companies who are not even aware their networks had been hacked, he said...”

THE MUSLIM BROTHERHOOD

Egypt’s Muslim Brotherhood names presidency candidate

BBC News reports: “The Muslim Brotherhood in Egypt has nominated its deputy chairman, Khairat al-Shatir, as its candidate for the presidential elections in May.

The choice of Mr Shatir, the group’s financier, reverses a pledge made earlier by the group’s leaders not to contest the election.

It will raise concerns among liberals and the military that the Brotherhood could become too powerful.

Correspondents say its ties with the ruling council have steadily worsened.

There had been much speculation about whether it would opt to field a candidate following the party’s legislative election success in November.

The movement’s political arm then won around a third of the vote, and nearly half the seats in the first parliamentary election since the fall of Hosni Mubarak last year.

Mahmoud Hussein, the group’s deputy leader, said it had decided to field a candidate following ‘attempts to abort the revolution’. Only a few days remain before the close of nominations...” (**Cal Thomas, the famous American journalist, warns**

that Egypt’s Muslim Brotherhood is as vicious and death dealing as al-Qaeda and the Taliban — Ezekiel 33:3; Acts 20:31. See the next report.)

Officials from Egypt’s Brotherhood at White House

AFP reports: “White House officials held talks with representatives of the Muslim Brotherhood in Washington as the Islamist group threw itself into the fray in Egypt’s presidential election.

The meeting with low-level National Security Council staff was part of a series of US efforts to broaden engagement with new and emerging

political parties following Egypt's revolution last year, a U.S. official said.

The White House pointed out that Republican Senators Lindsey Graham and John McCain, and other U.S. lawmakers and officials had also met with Brotherhood representatives in

Egypt and elsewhere in recent months...

The Muslim Brotherhood's political arm, the Freedom and Justice Party, said it would nominate Khairat al-Shater, a professor of engineering and business tycoon, to contest Egypt's first presidential election

since a popular uprising ousted Hosni Mubarak last year.

The Islamists, who control parliament, had repeatedly said they would not put forward a member for the election in order to mitigate fears that they were trying to monopolize power..."

NEWS FROM ISRAEL AND THE MIDDLE EAST

Iran warns U.S.: Stop dictating world policy

Haaretz reports: "Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad said the United States could no longer dictate policy to the rest of the world and warned of growing instability in the West's relations with Pakistan.

Ahmadinejad, speaking at a regional conference on Afghanistan, called for the immediate withdrawal of foreign troops from the country and proposed that NATO use part of its military budget to help revive the Afghan economy.

'NATO and the United States should change their policy because the time when they dictate their conditions to the world has passed,' Ahmadinejad said in a speech in Dushanbe, capital of the Central Asian republic of Tajikistan.

'It's better to respect nations than to scare them and colonize them. The time of imperialism has long gone. Those who do not learn from the mistakes of history will be punished...' (Iran is going to play a devastating part in world terrorism. Ahmadinejad states his messiah, Mahdi, will only appear after he has eliminated most of the Jews as well as the Great Satan — America. His goal is described in Psalm 83:4. His

hatred fails. Isaiah 56:5: "I will give them [Israel] an everlasting name..." See the next two reports as other Muslim nations join Iran.)

'Iran, Turkey stand together against Western arrogance'

The Jerusalem Post reports: "Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad met with Turkish Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan in Tehran where he praised the long-standing cooperation between the two countries and their response 'to the arrogance of the Western countries.'

The meeting focused on bilateral ties and trade between Ankara and Tehran, including in the field of energy and crude oil, where Iran is facing serious sanctions from Western countries, official Iranian news agency *IRNA* reported.

Erdogan's visit comes as Iran appears to be headed back to negotiations with the West over its nuclear program, which it says is peaceful despite Western suspicions that it is an attempt to develop nuclear weapons... Iran and Turkey announced that the next round of talks with the P5+1 group was set for April 13. No venue has been finalized although Turkey has offered to host the talks..."

Pakistan's Muslim League voices support for Iran against U.S.

The Fars News Agency reports: "Secretary-General of Pakistan's Muslim League Party Senator Mushahid Hussain Sayed underlined that his country would oppose any attack on Iran and would never allow its territory to be used against Iran.

The secretary-general of the Pakistan Muslim League-Quaid-i-Azam (PML-Q), a coalition partner, said Islamabad stands against a U.S. attack on Iran and would not allow anyone to use its soil for attacking Iran.

Speaking to reporters at the Parliament House after attending a meeting of the Parliamentary Committee on National Security (PCNS), Senator Mushahid Hussain Syed observed that his party had also flouted proposal before the committee to oppose any American adventurism against Iran..."

Iran official: Israel isn't powerful enough to fulfill military threats

Haaretz reports: "Israel is too weak to fulfill its threats against Iran, an adviser to Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad said during a visit to southern Lebanon, adding that Iran's counter attack in case of an assault against it would include U.S. targets.

The Iranian official's remarks came after Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, in an apparent reference to the possibility of an attack of Iran's nuclear facilities, said that Israel didn't always heed to U.S. warnings against offensive action, citing such examples as the Six-Day War and the 1981 strike against an Iraqi nuclear reactor...

Speaking during a tour of the south Lebanon town of Maran al-Ras, Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad's press advisor Ali Akbar Javanfekr, played down the possibility of an Israeli strike on Iran, saying that the 'Zionist regime is weaker than being able to fulfill its threats against Islamic Republic...' **(Israel has the greatest fighter pilots in history. Plus, the Almighty God, Yahweh is going to go to battle for His wife, Israel — Ezekiel 39:6; Hosea 2:19 and Jeremiah 3:14.)**

Top Iran official: All options on the table if nuclear facilities attacked

Haaretz reports: "All options are on the table in regards to an Iranian response to a possible attack on its nuclear facilities, a top advisor to Iran's Supreme Leader Ali Khamenei said in an interview, adding that Iran's President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad does not want to 'wipe Israel off the map' in a military sense.

Speaking to *CNN's* Christiane Amanpour, Mohammad Javad Larijani indicated that Iran does not exclude the possibility of blocking the Strait of Hormuz in response to an attack, nor would it exclude a missile strike on Israel.

'Here I want to copy the wording of [U.S.] President [Barack] Obama,' Larijani said, adding: 'Every possibility is on the table...' **(When Iran [Ezekiel 38:5] marches with Russia [Ezekiel 38:1, 2] 75 – 80% of their combined armies will fall. It will take every**

available workman seven months to bury the fallen – Ezekiel 39:12, 13.)

Iran advises neighbors to stay away from U.S., Israeli missile shield

The Fars News Agency reports: "Iranian Defense Minister Brigadier General Ahmad Vahidi called on the neighboring states to avoid joining a U.S.-Israeli project for deploying a missile shield in the Persian Gulf.

'This missile defense shield (in the Persian Gulf) is a U.S.-Israeli project and everyone should pay attention to the fact that anyone who gets involved with this project is, in fact, implementing the U.S. and Israel's plot,' he said.

'Since the very beginning we have rejected this project as we saw it against the regional security, and we have recommended our friends not to enter such fields (of activity),' he noted...'

Leader warns of Iran's crushing response to U.S., Israeli aggression

The Fars News Agency reports: "Supreme Leader of the Islamic Revolution Ayatollah Seyed Ali Khamenei renewed Iran's steadfast opposition to the acquisition and possession of nuclear arms, but meantime stressed Tehran's military preparedness to give a crushing response to any possible aggression against the country.

'We do not possess a nuclear weapon and we will not build one, but we will defend ourselves against any aggression, whether by the U.S. or the Zionist regime, with the same level (of force),' Ayatollah Khamenei said, addressing thousands of Iranian people in the holy city of Mashhad, the provincial capital city of Iran's Northeastern province of Khorassan Razavi.

The Leader said Washington and its allies are well aware that Iran is neither in possession nor in pursuit of nuclear weapons and the real reason behind their enmity against Iran is their thirst for the nation's oil..." **(As you read the article following this one, you will see the absurdity of Khamenei's doubletalk. He has stated: "It matters not how many Iranians die from atomic warfare because of this battle if through it we become able to control the world." Look at his arrogant boastful statement in the next report.)**

Supreme Leader: Enemies' threats indicate Iran's might

The Fars News Agency reports: "Supreme Leader of the Islamic Revolution Ayatollah Seyed Ali Khamenei lauded the resistance shown by the Iranian nation against enemies, and said growing threats signify enemies' fear of Iran's power.

'The multiplicity of (enemies') threats demonstrates the power of the Islamic establishment, because if the Islamic Republic lacked a high level of power and influence, the ill-wishers of the Iranian nation would not embark on taking so hasty moves and would not move heaven and earth,' Ayatollah Khamenei said, addressing a meeting here with a group of Iranian Armed Forces commanders and officials in charge of his representative offices in the Armed Forces.

The leader pointed to the invaluable experiences learned by the Iranian nation during the 8-year Iraqi imposed war on Iran in 1980s, and expressed the confidence that the Iranian nation will pass through the current juncture proudly and honorably, given its valuable experiences and its good position today..."