

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

TROUBLE IN PALESTINE

Supreme leader: Liberation of Palestine responsibility of all Muslims

The Fars News Agency reports: “Supreme Leader of the Islamic Revolution Ayatollah Seyed Ali Khamenei underlined the importance of this year’s International Quds Day rallies, and reiterated that liberation of the Palestinian territories from the hands of the usurper Zionist regime is the responsibility of all Muslims.

Ayatollah Khamenei noted that liberating Palestine from the grip of Israel and its allies is a religious duty for all Muslims across the world.

He also called for an enthusiastic participation in demonstrations marking International Quds Day.

During a meeting with hundreds of veterans from the Iraq-Iran war, Ayatollah Khamenei said that a high turnout on Quds Day would give a crushing response to the enemies of Islam and Palestinians.

The Leader described the occupation of the Palestinian territories and the formation of the Israeli regime as the root of evil in the Middle East.

‘Had this conspiracy not taken place, these wars, divisions, and interventions by colonialists and oppressors would

not have occurred,’ the Leader stated...” (This headline could be the Armageddon over which they claim is coming. Once they have a Palestinian State, they will demand that Jerusalem becomes Palestine’s capital. Egypt and Jordan are demanding this for Palestine’s leaders and President Obama has already promised this would take place after the elections. That move is what creates a global war when they divide God’s Holy City – Joel 3:2. See the next three reports.)

Egypt’s President Mursi calls Palestine “Top Priority”

The Fars News Agency reports: “Egyptian President Mohammad Mursi called the Palestinian issue a top priority agenda not just for his state, but for the entire Arab nations, and voiced his government’s strong support for the official membership of an independent Palestinian state at the United Nations.

‘Palestine is the top priority of Arabs,’ Mursi said during his remarks at the opening session of the Arab League’s 138th regular meeting of foreign ministers, which began at the AL headquarters in Egypt’s capital of Cairo.

He said despite the high pace of all challenges and developments in the region, the Palestinian issue has remained unresolved, adding that Israel is not serious about finding a solution to the issue.

‘That’s why we are necessitated to support the Palestinian issue so that a fair and comprehensive solution is found to meet the legitimate rights of the Palestinian people and form an independent Palestinian state,’ Mursi continued.

He added that Egypt will make its utmost effort to support recognition of an independent Palestinian state at the UN...”

Abbas asks Ahmadinejad to help establish ‘Palestine’

Israel National News reports: “Palestinian Authority Chairman Mahmoud Abbas asked Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad to help establish a Palestinian state along the pre-1967 borders,” PLO negotiator Saeb Erekat said.

The Bethlehem-based *Ma’an* news agency reported that Abbas and Ahmadinejad met in Tehran for what Erekat described as ‘frank and productive’ talks.

Erekat told *Ma'an* that Abbas had indicated to Ahmadinejad that the 'Palestinian' diplomatic quest was to establish a state along the pre-1967 borders with Jerusalem as its capital.

Abbas said that the mission had been approved by both the Arab Peace Initiative and the foreign affairs summit in Tehran in 2003.

Ahmadinejad called on Abbas to implement reconciliation between his Fatah party and Hamas immediately, Ereket told *Ma'an*, adding that Abbas reassured the Iranian leader that national unity was his 'top priority.'..."

Millions of Iranians march in solidarity with Palestinians

The Fars News Agency reports: "Millions of Iranians staged massive rallies in Tehran and other cities to condemn continued occupation of the Palestinian territories by the Zionist regime and show strong support for Palestinians against Israel on the International Quds Day.

The late founder of the Islamic Republic, Imam Khomeini, in August 1979 declared the last Friday of the Muslim holy month of Ramadan as Quds Day, calling for international rallies in support of Palestinians and against Israel.

Iranians marched nationwide, namely in Tehran, Isfahan, Shiraz and Mashhad, in opposition to the continued occupation of the holy lands by the Zionist regime.

In Tehran, millions of people gathered for the march, chanting 'Death to Israel' and holding anti-Israeli and anti-American signs.

Protesters unanimously condemned Zionists' crimes in the Palestinian occupied lands.

The fasting people carrying placards chanted 'Down with the U.S.' and 'Down with Israel' and other anti-Zionist slogans..."

DEATH FROM ABOVE

Hezbollah says its 'precision rockets' could kill tens of thousands of Israelis

Haaretz reports: "The Iranian-backed Lebanese group Hezbollah said it could kill tens of thousands of Israelis by striking specific targets in Israel with what it described as precision-guided rockets.

'I tell the Israelis that you have a number of targets, not a large number ... that can be hit with precision rockets ... which we have,' Hezbollah Secretary General Hassan Nasrallah said in a broadcast speech.

He said he would not name the targets and did not say whether the rockets were newly acquired weapons.

The threat came as Israel continued to debate whether to attack Iranian nuclear facilities. Such a move could trigger retaliation from Iran's allies, like Hezbollah. Nasrallah said Iran's response to any Israeli attack would be 'lightning' and huge.

Nasrallah said his group could strike a limited number of targets in Israel which if hit would lead to mass casualties - a possible reference to

Israeli nuclear facilities, though he said he did not spell out what he meant...

'Hitting these targets with a small number of rockets will turn ... the lives of hundreds of thousands of Zionists to real hell, and we can talk about tens of thousands of dead,' said Nasrallah..." **(Pray for the peace of Israel and Jerusalem – Psalms 122:6. Great trouble is about to break loose in the Middle East over the Holy city. Islam is calling for a second Holocaust. Jeremiah 30:7; II Kings 17:34; Daniel 12:1; Matthew 24:21, 22. In this text Israel is the elect group attacked – Isaiah 42:1; 45:4; 65: 9, and 22. Thank God for his promise of protection for His Chosen people: "And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed" – Genesis 12:3. See the next report.)**

Syrian: '20 missiles can take out Israel's nuclear sites'

Israel National News reports: Syria's envoy in Jordan, Bahajat Suleiman,

says Syria can cause 'heavy damage' to Israel's nuclear facilities.

The statement by Suleiman appears on Jordanian news sources, which quoted an unknown site identified with the regime of Bashar al-Assad. According to the report, Suleiman met a delegation that came to the Syrian embassy in Amman for Eid el-Fitr, and told them: 'The nuclear weapons that the Zionists possess can cause us great losses in life in the attack Syria.'

'On the other hand,' he added, 'we can cause heavy losses to their nuclear facilities and we will not need more than 20 missiles.'

Despite the differences in the number of casualties on both sides, the diplomat assessed, Israel will find the number of casualties and the strategic losses inflicted upon it too hard to bear.

An attack by Syria would cause emigration from Israel and be the beginning of its end, he added. He said that Syria would not stand by idly if attacked, but will not be the one to start a war..."

Iran could strike U.S. bases if Israel attacks: Hezbollah

Reuters reports: “Iran could hit U.S. bases in the Middle East in response to any Israeli strike on its nuclear facilities even if American forces played no role in the attack, the leader of Lebanon’s Iranian-backed militant group Hezbollah said.

‘A decision has been taken to respond and the response will be very great,’ Hezbollah Secretary-General Sayyed Hassan Nasrallah said in an interview with the Beirut-based *Al Mayadeen* television.

‘The response will not be just inside

the Israeli entity - American bases in the whole region could be Iranian targets,’ he said, citing information he said was from Iranian officials. ‘If Israel targets Iran, America bears responsibility.’

Heightened Israeli rhetoric about Tehran’s nuclear facilities, which the West says could be part of a weapons program, has stoked speculation that it may attack Iran before U.S. elections in November...” (Ahmadinejad is the blasphemer who knocks the Jews and Americans constantly even when he speaks at the UN. His day is coming as God warns in Proverbs 16:18: “Pride goeth before destruction, and

an haughty spirit before a fall.” This destruction will come because of God’s hatred of Iran’s presidents poisonous mentality: “These six things doth the Lord hate: yea, seven are an abomination unto him: A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood, An heart that deviseth wicked imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief, A false witness that speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethren” – Proverbs 6:16 – 19. See the next report.)

NEWS FROM ISRAEL AND THE MIDDLE EAST

Ahmadinejad: Israel’s existence is ‘an insult to all humanity’

Haaretz reports: “Iran’s president Mahmoud Ahmadinejad said that Israel’s existence is an ‘insult to all humanity.’

Addressing worshippers at Tehran University after nationwide pro-Palestinian rallies, an annual event marking Quds (Jerusalem) Day on the last Friday of the holy month of Ramadan, Ahmadinejad said confronting Israel is an effort to ‘protect the dignity of all human beings.’

According to state media, millions of people were expected to attend the rallies, organized by the state throughout the country, and voice their support for Palestinians and the ‘liberation of their lands from the Zionist regime’s occupation.’

Iranian state television stopped its regular schedule and focused on live coverage of the rallies.

The late supreme leader of the 1979 Islamic Revolution, Ayatollah Ruhollah

Khomeini, declared the last Friday of the fasting month of Ramadan as Quds (Jerusalem)-Day and called for annual mass rallies against Israel and in support of the Palestinians...”

Terrorists warn Israel: Harming Al-Aqsa will open gates of hell

Israel National News reports: “The Popular Resistance Committees terrorist organization threatened Israel warning it that any harm to the Al-Aqsa mosque would ‘open the gates of hell against the Zionist enemy.’

In a statement the organization issued, it stressed its commitment to protecting the dignity of the mosque, which it claimed is being ‘contaminated by the Zionists’, through the masses of the Islamic nation which has started waking up and meeting its religious commitment towards ‘Palestine’ and towards the Al-Aqsa mosque.

The statement further noted that the Israeli violation of Islamic holy places in Jerusalem was made possible because Israel saw the helplessness of

the Muslims for decades, and now the time has come to mobilize the Islamic nation to action and ‘save’ the Al-Aqsa mosque from the ‘Zionist impurity.’

Sheikh Ekrima Sabri, the former mufti of Jerusalem, said in this regard that the area of the Al-Aqsa mosque, including the Al-Buraq Wall (the Arabic term for the Western Wall) belongs only to Muslims, and Jews have no right to it...” (930 times God’s Holy Word states that Jerusalem belongs to Israel and the Jews. “...out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem” – Isaiah 2:3. This is when the Lord Jesus Christ returns to earth and rules the world from Jerusalem – Zechariah 14:4; Luke 1:32, 33; Matthew 5:45.)

U.S. tells Iran: We won’t join Israeli attack

Israel National News reports: “Senior officials in the Obama Administration sent a message to Tehran, according to which the U.S. does not intend to join Israel’s side if it decides to attack the Iranian nuclear installations on its own,

reports Israel's second-largest paper, *Yediot Aharonot*.

According to the report, the U.S. sent the message to Iran in order to avoid an Iranian response military response that would target U.S. installations in the Gulf region.

The message was reportedly conveyed to Iran through two European countries that serve as a conduit of communication between Iran and the U.S. in times of crisis..." **(This is our President's doing as he reneges on previous promises to Israel. His Muslim father, aunts and uncles and cousins must be proud of his anti-Israel, anti-Christian, and anti-Christ decision. I Chronicles 21:1: "...Satan stood up against Israel..." Enough said.)**

Bolton to Israel: Attack, it's your right

Israel National News reports: "Former U.S. Ambassador to the UN, John Bolton, said in an interview published that he does not believe President Barack Obama will order an attack on Iran, now or in the future, and urged Israel to attack Iran's nuclear program on its own.

Speaking to *Maariv's* Tzach Yoked, Bolton said that "there is no way at this stage to prevent Iran from going nuclear without use of force. It is very unfortunate

in my opinion, but I see no possibility that Obama will use military force, and therefore it falls upon Israel. I think that even though the Administration says that containment is not its policy, it will become its policy the day after Iran possesses nuclear weapons. They won't like it, but they do believe that a nuclear Iran can be contained, just as we contained the nuclear Soviet Union during the Cold War."

"Iran is not in a race for building one or two bombs," Bolton continued. "I think they believe that time is on their side and they will continue with what seems like a well thought-out plan, mostly because they believe that the United States under Obama's leadership will do nothing. And of course, they are afraid of Israel, but I think they trust Obama to pressure Israel not to do anything, and until now this has proved right."

"I think Israel, like any other country, has a legitimate right to self-defense," Bolton told *Maariv*. "Israel has twice attacked enemies that were developing nuclear weapons, and it has the right to do so in this case as well..." **(Thank God for our former Ambassador to the UN. Here is a leader who has God's love for the Jews in his heart and mind – Deuteronomy 7:7, 8. Ahmadinejad, Iran's president has plainly stated that Mahdi, his loving Shiite messiah will not appear until most Jews are eliminated, yes,**

exterminated. If you think this monsters creation of nuclear weapons is for peaceful purposes, I'll sell you the Brooklyn Bridge. His goal is Psalm 83:4: "...let us cut them off from being a nation; that the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance." See the next report.)

Iran sees Israeli threats as mere psychological war

The Fars News Agency reports: "The Israeli officials' war rhetoric against Iran serves psychological purposes rather than being an actual threat Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Salehi said, but meantime, underlined that Tehran deals with all threats seriously.

Speaking to reporters following a cabinet meeting here in Tehran, Salehi played down the Israeli regime's recently intensified war rhetoric about an impending air strike on Iran's nuclear facilities, but meantime, stressed that Tehran would never ignore even the slightest threats.

"Iran is vigilant and awake to the threats. We take every trivial threat seriously and make the necessary preparations to respond to any measure, but this does not mean that these threats are serious," he reiterated.

"Our duty requires us to take the threats seriously but Israel is not in a position to do so," he said..."

CHINA AND THE MIDDLE EAST

China, U.S. to begin new arms race

SpaceWar.com reports: "China intends to significantly increase its missile potential. According to the influential *Jane's Defence Weekly*, China has successfully test-fired the Dongfeng-41 (DF-41) intercontinental

ballistic missile (ICBM) capable of reaching any spot on US territory. Beijing denied the information, but admitted that it is developing a new-generation ICB capable of destroying targets all across the world.

Beijing seems to start placing its stake on an alternative cooperation with the

United States, China's main economic partner. It's clear the two countries' trade and economic ties will dominate for years to come. At the same time, instability in various parts of the world and the U.S.' ever-increasing ambitions prompt China to consider taking a spate of the military containment-related steps.

...Washington signaled its readiness to deploy elements of the US missile shield in Asia and the Far East, something that is almost certain to prod China to further expand its regional clout by notably beefing up its military might..." (Russia, Ezekiel 38 & 39; China, Revelation 16:12; will lead the world in the greatest war of history – Armageddon – Revelation 9:14 – 18; Revelation 16:16. They will battle the English and European armies – "... Tarshish, with all the young lions..." Ezekiel 38:13 over Israel -- Ezekiel 38:1, 2, 8, 16; Ezekiel 39:1, 2, 4, 7, 12, and 13. Iran and Egypt will lead the Muslim armies in union with Russia and China – Ezekiel 38:5; Daniel 11:40. See the next two reports.)

Egyptian official: The balance of military power will change

Israel National News reports: "A senior Egyptian security official said that the balance of military power in the Middle East will change significantly in the near future, following a visit by President Mohammed Morsi in China.

The official, who spoke to the Arab website *Al-Moheet*, said that during his visit to China, Morsi signed a series of security agreements which will produce a new military reality in the Middle

East. The comments were translated by Arab affairs expert Dalit Halevi.

'Wait and see the Eagles of Egypt in their new clothing,' the official warned Egypt's neighboring countries. 'They will be protected by missiles which will hit our enemies, even if they are a thousand miles away.'

The Egyptian Air Force, said the official, is expected to dramatically upgrade its capabilities, equipment, aircraft and personnel training, in cooperation with China. He said the upgrade will surprise all parties in the Middle East and North Africa. The Egyptian air defense forces will be able defend the Egyptians against any aggression, he said..."

Evidence mounts of Iran 'Laughing all the way to nuclear power'

Israel National News reports: "The United Nations nuclear inspection agency, IAEA, is beefing up attempts to force Iran to cooperate at the same time it is expected to report Iran has installed 350 new centrifuges since May.

The new centrifuges are in addition to a previously-reported 1,000 that have been installed, part of Iran's plan to have 3,000 centrifuges working.

Newspapers from Pakistan to the

United States reported that the French news agency *AFP* quoted diplomats in Vienna that the IAEA will issue a report detailing Iran's nuclear progress at the Fordow facility, buried deep underground in order to protect it from a bombing attack.

The nuclear site is enriching uranium to a concentration of 20 percent, far below the 90 percent grade needed for a nuclear bomb but easily upgraded to that level.

Iran continues to insist it is developing its nuclear facilities for peaceful purposes, but Ahmadinejad's recent reiteration that Israel must be annihilated could be used by the Islamic Republic as reasoning that striking Israel with a nuclear warhead is part of its homemade 'peace process.'

The IAEA reputedly is establishing a new 'Task Force' to get tough with Iran, which so far has succeeded to dodge nuclear inspectors.

Western dependence on diplomacy and sanctions has not convinced Israel that anything except military action can stop Iran, but even the IAEA has shown signs of giving up on Iran.

Earlier it was reported that Iran has 'sanitized' a nuclear research facility to the point that it may be too late to inspect it..."

CONTENDING FOR THE FAITH

Backlash brewing over Obama's anti-faith actions

WND.com reports: "A new poll shows that 40 percent of the youth vote, virtually in Barack Obama's pocket four years ago, now is going to likely GOP presidential candidate Mitt Romney; a one-time strong supporter of Obama now is campaigning for Romney and

a Democratic committeewoman in Pennsylvania has left not just Obama but the entire Democratic Party.

Now with just weeks to go before the 2012 presidential election, Bishop E.W. Jackson, chief of the 'Staying True to America's National Destiny,' is urging that those individual actions become a flood.

He – and others – say the Obama administration simply has included among its goals the diminishment of faith and Christianity, and that's not right.

'There is a concerted effort to do away with all symbols of our Judeo-Christian culture, to deny our right of conscience in matters of faith and to attack Christians, Catholic and

Protestant, who dare to speak openly of their faith,' Jackson said. 'However, there is a silver lining in all of this. This may be an opportunity for an historic shift in the cultural and political direction of our country if Christians of all races will unite in rejecting the godless left agenda of the Democratic Party...' **(Our black brothers in the faith are sick and tired of Obama's anti-Christian bias. Thank God for Bishop E. W. Jackson and Representative Allen West, another great black Congressman who warns that there are 78 – 81 Communist members among the Democratic congressmen.)**

Billboard calls Jesus 'useless savior'

WND.com reports: "A group that pushes the philosophy of 'loving yourself and your fellow man rather than a god' is attacking religious believers in a new billboard campaign in the host cities of the Republican and Democratic conventions.

American Atheists announced a billboard campaign against 'the foolishness of religion in the political landscape.'

According to the group, the billboards feature assertions of Christianity and Mormonism that they say have no place in politics...

The billboard, as seen on American Atheists' website, attacks Jesus as a 'useless savior' next to an image of a piece of toast with a purported image of Jesus burned into it.

It also claims Christians have a 'sadistic God' and that Christianity has more than '30,000+ versions of truth.' Christians, it says, are part of a 'hate promoting' group that calls 'hate' 'love...' **(These same idiotic atheists have been attacking me on the internet saying I died from an overdose of alcohol and tobacco. I think they are the leaders of a "hate promoting group that calls hate**

love." No wonder God says in Psalm 14:1 and 53:1 – *"The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God..."*)

Airlift to rescue 2,000 behind Shariah curtain

WND.com reports: "The human rights group Barnabas Aid is announcing plans to fly about 2,000 South Sudanese from Khartoum in Sudan to Juba, the capital of the recently formed South Sudan.

The plan is billed as a humanitarian effort to rescue the South Sudanese who are trapped in the predominantly Muslim country.

Barnabas Aid Director of International Relations Julian Dobbs says the project is going ahead even amid the military conflict on the border region.

'There continues to be considerable unrest along the border. That's why this project has become necessary. We're very aware obviously of the challenges that have come from the north,' Dobbs said.

'Christians have been impoverished and are extremely vulnerable. President Omar al-Bashir has made it clear that Christians are not welcome in Sudan. Frankly he's repeatedly declared his intention to make the constitution of Sudan 100 percent Islamic,' Dobbs said.

'It makes Christians who are living in these regions in the north very vulnerable. Thus we're having engagement with our partners in the Africa Inland Church,' Dobbs said...' **(Muslims hate Christianity. Jesus predicted that the Jews and Christians would become hated – Matthew 24:9; John 16; John 15:18 – 20. The Koran calls Jews pigs and apes and demands crucifixions for apostate Muslims and trouble making Christians – Sura 5:33 in the Koran. The leaders of Islam, its clergy called Imams are preparing for the greatest war and slaughter in history. I have these all documented on a DVD entitled "The Impending Islamic Takeover". If**

interested, order the study for \$15; yes, fifteen dollars. In this video are a few stories among many reports that thousands of Christians are being tortured and slaughtered in many of Islam's 57 nations – Revelation 2:10. See the next five reports.)

Christian Pakistani girl arrested for 'blasphemy'

BBC News reports: "An 11-year-old Christian girl has been arrested after being accused of desecrating pages of the Koran.

She was detained for blasphemy after an angry mob demanded her arrest and threatened to burn down Christian homes outside of the capital, Islamabad, Pakistani media say.

The girl is known to have learning difficulties and could not properly answer police questions, officials say.

Police have taken her parents into protective custody following threats.

Dr Paul Bhatti, Pakistan's minister for National Harmony, told the *BBC* that the girl was known to have a mental disorder and that it seemed 'unlikely she purposefully desecrated the Koran'.

'From the reports I have seen, she was found carrying a waste bag which also had pages of the Koran. This infuriated some local people and a large crowd gathered to demand action against her. The police were initially reluctant to arrest her, but they came under a lot of pressure from a very large crowd, who were threatening to burn down Christian homes...'"

Blasphemy case: Christian girl's accuser arrested for planting evidence

The Christian Science Monitor reports: "A Christian girl accused of blasphemy in Pakistan may have been framed by a Muslim cleric. Pakistani police arrested the cleric, accusing him of tampering with evidence that purported to show she had desecrated

the Quran.

The cleric, Khalid Chishti, was arrested after the deputy cleric of the same mosque came forward with allegations that he saw Mr. Chishti adding burnt pages of Quran to the evidence that was given to the police.

According to the police, Hafiz Mohammad Zubair, the deputy cleric, says he tried to stop Chishti from tampering with the evidence but the cleric insisted that this is the best way to get rid of the Christians in the area.

This latest twist in a case that had already drawn international outcry will add pressure on Pakistani authorities to absolve the girl, still in prison since last month and facing a possible life sentence. The revelations will also bolster campaigners who have tried to amend or repeal the law for years by arguing that many cases are trumped up to persecute minorities or settle local scores.

‘It is a sigh of relief because now everyone knows there was victimization of the minor girl,’ says Peter Jacob, head of Christian activist group, who provide legal support to minorities in Pakistan.

‘This abuse has been ongoing for two and a half decades and with this case coming to light, we can actually see that there are lacunas in the blasphemy law that need to be removed so such abuse does not take place,’ says Mr. Jacob, adding that the government should use this opportunity to amend the law. ‘If the law cannot be repealed, the state can at least create safeguards, using this case as an example,’ Jacob says...”

Pakistan frees Christian girl accused of blasphemy

The Toronto Star reports: “A Pakistani military helicopter plucked a young Christian girl accused of blasphemy from a prison yard... and flew her to a secret location after she was granted bail.

Live broadcasts showed heavily armed police surrounding Rimsha

Masih, believed to be no older than 14, covering her face with a green scarf as she walked to the helicopter in the prison yard in this garrison city near the Pakistani capital, Islamabad.

An *Associated Press* reporter on the scene said she was taken from the prison in an armoured vehicle and whisked to the waiting helicopter while covered with a sheet to protect her identity.

“Her parents were with her when she was freed from the jail, and she has been taken to a safer place,” said a member of her legal team, Tahir Naveed Chaudhry.

A judge granted Masih bail and her lawyers are applying to have charges that she burned pages of a religious textbook dismissed after a local cleric was detained on suspicion of planting false evidence to stir resentment against Christians.

Even before that arrest, Masih’s case provoked international concern that despite her young age and reported mental problems she could possibly face execution under Pakistan’s blasphemy laws. Many critics say the laws are misused to wage vendettas or to target Pakistan’s vulnerable minorities like the Christians...”

Iran turns up heat on pastor sentenced to death

WND.com reports: “Jailed Iranian pastor Youcef Nadarkhani reportedly will face new charges at his next court appearance.

The English language site for the *Farsi Christian News Network* says that Nadarkhani will be charged with banditry and extortion.

The network report says Nadarkhani was supposed to appear in court on August 27, but there’s no record the hearing took place.

The *Assist News Service* reported that an Iranian website claimed Nadarkhani was accused of ‘security crimes.’

‘The article claimed that Youcef Nadarkhani is accused of rape and

repeated extortion,’ *Assist* reported.

Assist said the Iranian site quoted Gholamali Pezvani, deputy governor of Gilan for security, stating, ‘Youcef Nadarkhani has committed security crimes and had set up a house of corruption. This individual is a criminal and his crime is not inviting some to the religion of Christianity, but he has security crimes. Nadarkhani’s death sentence has been issued for security crimes.’

American Center for Law and Justice President Jordan Sekulow says that he is aware of the charges, but none of the ACLJ’s contacts in Iran can verify the accuracy of the report...”

Report: Iran acquits Christian pastor charged with apostasy

Breitbart.com reports: “An Iranian pastor sentenced to death for his Christian beliefs was released from custody during a Saturday court proceeding, according to an international religious freedom organization.

Christian Solidarity Worldwide reports that a court acquitted Youcef Nadarkhani of the Church of Iran of apostasy charges:

According to reliable sources, during court proceedings that took place, Pastor Nadarkhani was acquitted of apostasy, but found guilty of evangelizing Muslims. He was sentenced to three years imprisonment for the latter charge, but released because he had already served this time.

This development, if confirmed, will be a miraculous turn in a story of religious oppression under fundamentalist Islamic law. Nadarkhani was sentenced to death in 2010, and Iran’s own Supreme Court upheld the verdict in 2011...”

NEWS FROM RUSSIA

Russia to create new ICBM by 2018

SpaceDaily.com reports: “Russia is due to create a new heavy intercontinental ballistic missile (ICBM) by 2018, Strategic Missile Forces commander Sergei Karakayev said recently. ‘Construction of the missile is ongoing,’ he said. ‘It is to be completed by 2018.’

The new missile is to replace the R-36M2 Voevoda (NATO reporting name SS-18 Satan) missile.

So far all of Russia’s recent ICBM projects, both sea-launched (Bulava) and ground-based (Topol-M, Yars), have been solid fuel.

Karakayev said the new ICBM will have a launch mass of around 100 tons with a better payload-launch weight ratio than in a solid fuel missile. Such ICBMs can only be deployed in silos...” **(While our President signs a treaty for Russia and America to reduce the number of nuclear weapons according to the *New York Times*, Russia has 2,000 more atomic bombs than America and are creating more continually as the headline reports. During an interview Obama had with Medvedev of Russia, he said to Medvedev, not knowing there was an open mike, -- ‘tell Putin that I’ll have even more flexibility to please him after the election.’ “A double minded man is unstable in all his ways” – James 1:8. All the efforts to work with Russia are useless. The next two reports prove Russia is working with groups that will follow their global march across the world – Ezekiel 38:1, 2, 8, and 16; 39:1, 2, 6, 12, 13; Joel 2:3, 20, 30, and 31.)**

Russia: New U.S. sanctions against Iran ‘Overt blackmail’

Israel National News reports: “Russia harshly criticized new U.S. sanctions against Iran, calling them ‘overt blackmail’ and a ‘crude contradiction of international law,’ warning that relations between Washington and Moscow could significantly soar if Russian companies are affected.

President Barack Obama signed into law new sanctions on Iran’s energy, shipping and financial industries that would harm foreign companies that mine uranium with Iran or help the regime export oil by providing tankers, insurance or banking services.

‘We are talking about restrictive measures not only against Iran but also affecting foreign companies and individuals working with it, including in the hydrocarbon extraction and transport, petrochemicals, finance and insurance industries,’ the Russian Foreign Ministry said in a statement.

‘We consider efforts to ... impose internal American legislation on the entire world completely unacceptable,’ it said. ‘We reject methods of overt blackmail that the United States resorts to in relation to the companies and banks of other countries.’

‘Those in Washington should take into account that our bilateral relations will suffer seriously if Russian operators ... come under the effects of the American restrictions?...’

Russia ready for broader cooperation with Non-Aligned Movement

Itar-Tass reports: “Russia is seeking to create a common security space and ‘is ready to build up cooperation with the Non-Aligned Movement for peace and prosperity and the benefit of the

whole humankind,’ Russian President Vladimir Putin said in his greetings to the participants and guests of the 16th summit of the Non-Aligned Movement, which opened in Tehran...

The message of greetings, which was posted on the presidential website, noted that ‘the forum is held in the hard times for international relations.’ ‘The need is growing for coordinated actions to clean up the aftermaths of natural and man-made disasters and ensure energy and food security,’ Putin noted. ‘The United Nations certainly has the leading role in the debates and the search for responses to these challenges. However, other types of multilateral cooperation are also quite needed in the polycentric world order taking shape,’ the president went on to say.

‘Bringing together over a half of countries in the world, including mostly dynamically developing countries, the Non-Aligned Movement makes a tangible contribution in the build-up of trust and stability on the global scale,’ the president said with confidence.

‘The time proved the justice of the goal of the work in your forum that was formulated several decades ago that is the achievement of the detente of international tensions through the deideologization of the world policy and the consolidation of high humanistic ideals. I am convinced that this is a reliable basis for building a modern system of interstate relations, which would respect the right of each person for his own way of development and cultural and historical originality,’ Putin remarked...’