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

WHO OWNS THE LAND?

Abbas' adviser: Annexation will lead to intifada

June 17, 2020 -- *Israel National News* reports: “The Palestinian Authority (PA) continued on Tuesday to send threats and warnings meant to deter Israel from implementing sovereignty over Judea and Samaria.

PA chairman Mahmoud Abbas' adviser, Nabil Shaath, warned in an interview with a PA-based news website that ‘if Israel insists on annexation, we will no longer abide by the rules in the confrontation against them and an intifada will occur.’

Shaath called the intention to apply sovereignty ‘a criminal step on the part of Israel.’

On Sunday, Saeb Erekat, Secretary-General of the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO), said that an application of sovereignty over even ‘one inch’ of ‘occupied Palestinian Territory’ by Prime Minister Binyamin Benjamin Netanyahu would mean an extermination of any chance of peace in the region.

‘If Netanyahu goes ahead with the annexation and apartheid, then he must ally with the American racist extremist organization, Klu Klux Klan, and must be ready to assume all

his responsibilities as an occupying power,’ said Erekat, who spoke during a virtual meeting of Israeli and foreign journalists and quoted by the *Wafa* news agency...” (Genesis 15:18 states: *“In the same day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying, Unto thy seed have I given this land, from the river of Egypt unto the great river, the river Euphrates”* and in Joshua 1:4 we read: *“From the wilderness and this Lebanon even unto the great river, the river Euphrates, all the land of the Hittites, and unto the great sea toward the going down of the sun, shall be your coast.”* These verses encompass all of the land modern Israel currently possesses, plus all of the land of the Palestinians (the West Bank and Gaza), plus some of Egypt and Syria, plus all of Jordan, plus some of Saudi Arabia and Iraq. Israel currently possesses only a fraction of the land God has promised. See the next three reports.)

Jordanian King: Sovereignty will threaten stability

June 17, 2020 -- *Israel National News* reports: “Jordan’s King Abdullah warned on Tuesday that Israel’s planned move to apply sovereignty over parts of Judea and Samaria next month would threaten stability in the Middle East, *Reuters* reported.

Speaking in a video conference with U.S. congressional leaders and

committees, the Jordanian King ‘warned that any unilateral Israeli measure to annex lands in the West Bank is unacceptable and undermines the prospects of achieving peace and stability in the region,’ a royal palace statement said.

Abdullah, who aides say has been deeply concerned about the sovereignty plan, told U.S. lawmakers that peace would only come with the creation of a ‘independent, sovereign and viable Palestinian state’ with eastern Jerusalem as its capital.

The Jordanian King recently warned Israel against applying sovereignty in Judea and Samaria, saying that if Israel goes through with the sovereignty move, ‘it would lead to a massive conflict with the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan’.

Jordanian Prime Minister Omar al-Razzaz later threatened that the kingdom would review its relationship with Israel if the Jewish state goes ahead with the sovereignty move...”

PA urges Greece to take position against sovereignty

June 20, 2020 -- *Israel National News* reports: “The Palestinian Authority (PA) on Thursday urged Greece to take a position against Israel’s plan to apply sovereignty over Judea and Samaria, the *Xinhua* news agency reports.

PA cabinet leader Mohammed Shtayyeh phoned Greek Prime Minister Kyriakos Mitsotakis, urging him not to undermine international law and the right to self-determination of the Palestinian people, according to the report.

The phone conversation came a day after an official visit by Mitsotakis to Israel, where he met with President Reuven Rivlin as well as with Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu.

‘The relations and common interests between Greece and Israel should not be at the expense of the Greek people and government’s faith in international law and the right of peoples to self-determination,’ Shtayyeh told Mitsotakis in the phone conversation, according to a statement by his office.

‘Greece must speak loudly against

the Israeli annexation plans,’ added Shtayyeh, urging his counterpart to recognize ‘Palestine’ as a state...”

IDF generals urge Trump to stand behind Netanyahu’s sovereignty plan

June 23, 2020 -- *The Jerusalem Post* reports: “A group of IDF generals has written a letter to U.S. President Donald Trump urging him to support Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu’s annexation plan to apply sovereignty over parts of the West Bank.

The group, known as *habit’honistim* – Protectors of Israel – holds that the plan offers Israel an unparalleled security opportunity to place 30% of the West Bank within Israel’s permanent borders.

‘Your farsighted vision for peace, which includes a recognition of Israel’s

sovereign rights in Judea and Samaria – the cradle of Jewish civilization – has put wind in the wings of thousands of Israel Defense Force officers and warriors and buffeted the sails of the Israeli nation as a whole,’ the group wrote.

‘Mr. President, thanks to your friendship and visionary leadership, we stand now at an historic crossroad in the 4,000-year history of the Jewish people in the Land of Israel,’ it continued.

‘We trust that you will continue to work to secure the future peace of the people of Israel and of the Middle East as a whole by standing with Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu as he applies our sovereignty to our eastern frontier, the Jordan Valley and to our cities, villages and farms in Judea and Samaria in accordance with your visionary peace plan,’ the group said...”

NEWS FROM ISRAEL AND THE MIDDLE EAST

‘Attack that cannot be done’: Iran planned to poison Israel’s water

June 3, 2020 -- *WND.com* reports: “Iran nearly pulled off a cyberattack that would have dumped lethal levels of chemicals in six water-supply facilities in Israel.

Breaking Israel News reported Iran breached the computer system controlling the water supplies, but the attack was blocked ‘just in time’ to prevent damage.

The attack happened April 24-25, and details still are emerging.

‘This was an attack that goes against all codes, even in war,’ one Israeli official told Israel’s *Channel 13*. ‘Even from the Iranians we didn’t expect something like this. This is an attack that cannot be done.’

The intent of the attack was far more than originally assumed, according to Yigal Unna, director general of Israel’s National Cyber Directorate.

‘We can see something like this aiming to cause damage to real life and not to IT or data,’ Unna told *BIN*. ‘If the bad guys would have succeeded in their plot, we would now be facing in the middle of

the corona crisis, very big damage to the civilian population; a lack of water.’...” **(Iran’s goal is found in Psalm 83:4: “Come, and let us cut them off from being a nation; that the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance.” As Dr. Van Impe has emphatically stated before – it won’t happen. God has promised: “...I will give them [Israel] an everlasting name, that shall not be cut off” – Isaiah 56:5.)**

‘Supreme Shariah judge’ says Muslims are allowed to kill Israelis

June 1, 2020 -- *WND.com* reports: “The Palestinian Authority’s top religious authority declared in a recent TV appearance that the Quran effectively gives Muslims the authority to kill any Israeli.

Mahmoud Al-Habbash, who was appointed as supreme Shariah judge by Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas, said there of 10 ‘transgressions’ against which Palestinians are ‘commanded’ to fight,’ said the Israel-based *Palestinian Media Watch*, or *PMW*.

PMW said the ‘transgressions’ seem ‘to have been carefully selected in

order to turn every single Israeli into a target that every Palestinian Muslim is ‘commanded’ to fight and ‘allowed’ kill.’ The ‘transgressions’ cited are: ‘If someone comes to attack me ... my home ... my land ... my homeland ... my property ... my honor ... my family ... your existence ... your rights ... your souls.’

‘I am commanded to fight him,’ Al-Habbash said. ‘I am commanded to confront him, I am commanded to resist them, and I am allowed to kill him if necessary as Prophet said and as this verse said: ‘And kill them wherever you find them.’ ... [A]s long as they are targeting ... you are allowed to fight them, and also to kill them.’...” **(Benjamin Netanyahu has stated: “If the Arabs put down their weapons today, there would be no more violence. If the Jews put down their weapons today, there would be no more Israel.”**

In the summer of 2000, President Bill Clinton held a summit at Camp David with Ehud Barak and Yasser Arafat – it failed. According to a *Newsweek* article on June 26, 2001: “Nearly a year after he failed to achieve a deal at Camp David, former president Bill Clinton gave vent to his frustrations this week over the

collapse of peace in the Mideast. And Clinton directed his ire at one man: Yasir Arafat. On Tuesday night, Clinton told guests at a party at the Manhattan apartment of former U.N. ambassador Richard Holbrooke and his wife, writer Kati Marton, that Arafat called to bid him farewell three days before he left office. “You are a great man,” Arafat said. “The — I am,” Clinton said he responded. “I’m a colossal failure, and you made me one.” Clinton said he told Arafat that by turning down the best peace deal he was ever going to get—the one proffered by Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak and brokered by Clinton last July—the Palestinian leader was only guaranteeing the election of the hawkish Ariel Sharon, the current Israeli leader. But Arafat didn’t listen.” See the next two reports.)

Senior Turkish Official Calls on Muslim ‘Umma’ to Free Jerusalem

June 15, 2020 -- *Breitbart.com* reports: “Turkey’s top religious official vowed over the weekend to continue Islam’s struggle ‘until Jerusalem is completely free’ and called on the Muslim world to rally against Israel.

‘It is never possible for Muslims to give up on the blessed city’ of Jerusalem, President of Religious Affairs Ali Erbas said in Turkish-language comments carried by *T24* media and translated by the *Jerusalem Post*.

According to Erbas, Jerusalem has ‘universal value’ for the Islamic world.

His views echo those of Turkey’s Foreign Minister Mevlut Cavusoglu who recently said, ‘The ummah [Islamic community] will never give up on a sovereign Palestinian state with Quds al-Sharif as its capital.’...”

Brazilian pastor and congregants pray for another Holocaust

June 20, 2020 -- *Israel National News* reports: “A Brazilian pastor prayed to God to ‘destroy the Jews like vermin’ and bring about a second Holocaust during a sermon in Rio de Janeiro.

‘Massacre the Jews, God, hit them with your sword, for they have left God, they have left the nations,’ Pastor Tupirani da Hora Lores shouted at dozens of congregants earlier this month at his Geracao Jesus Cristo church, a recording of the event shows. His congregants are heard repeating his words passionately.

‘They contrived, went with prostitutes, and when they were told to repent they said they’d do it but they lied,’ the pastor said, possibly in reference to the forced conversions to Christianity during the Inquisition.

‘God, what you have done in World War II, you must do again, this is what we ask for in our prayers to you: Justice, justice, justice!’ da Hora Lores shouted at his church, a small and radical evangelical congregation...”

PA threatens to cancel recognition of Israel

June 9, 2020 -- *Israel National News* reports: “Palestinian Authority (PA) cabinet leader Mohammad Shtayyeh warned on Monday that if Israel fulfills its intention to apply sovereignty over Judea and Samaria, the PLO may cancel its recognition of Israel.

In an interview with the Palestine television network, Shtayyeh said that the PLO had a number of diplomatic cards to use against Israel, including the recognition of Israel under the Oslo Accords signed with former PA chairman Yasser Arafat.

Despite Shtayyeh’s threat, the PA has never accepted the legitimacy of Israel as a Jewish State, and the PLO charter continues to reject the existence of the State of Israel despite the provision of such recognition in the Oslo Accords.

In his remarks, the PA cabinet leader blamed Israel, led by Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu, for adopting a strategy aimed at destroying the possibility of establishing a Palestinian state through a continued siege of the Gaza Strip, annexation of Jerusalem, and the use of Area C in Judea and Samaria (which is under Israeli civilian and security control) as a strategic area to expand settlements...” **(Almighty**

God has stated: “...I will give them [Israel] an everlasting name, that shall not be cut off” – Isaiah 56:5. Everlasting means everlasting. God promised to Abraham in Genesis 22:17: “... in blessing I will bless thee, and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of the heaven, and as the sand which is upon the sea shore...” “And because he loved thy fathers, therefore he chose their seed after them, and brought thee out in his sight with his mighty power out of Egypt; To drive out nations from before thee greater and mightier than thou art, to bring thee in, to give thee their land for an inheritance, as it is this day. Know therefore this day, and consider it in thine heart, that the Lord he is God in heaven above, and upon the earth beneath: there is none else. Thou shalt keep therefore his statutes, and his commandments, which I command thee this day, that it may go well with thee, and with thy children after thee, and that thou mayest prolong thy days upon the earth, which the Lord thy God giveth thee, for ever” – Deuteronomy 4:37 – 40. See the next report.)

Pompeo: The U.S. will always support Israel’s right to defend itself

June 15, 2020 -- *Israel National News* reports: “U.S. Secretary of State Mike Pompeo on Sunday addressed the opening plenary of the 2020 AJC Global Forum, where he reaffirmed the strong U.S.-Israel relationship, condemned rising worldwide anti-Semitism, and cautioned Iran against threatening Israel and pursuing a nuclear weapons program.

AJC’s signature annual event, which was originally scheduled to take place this week in Berlin, Germany, was changed to an online meeting due to the coronavirus pandemic. As a result, Pompeo’s remarks reached an audience of many thousands in the U.S. and around the world.

‘Since 1948, Israel has proven time and again that it’s up to any challenge to the Jewish people’s right to govern themselves in their ancestral homeland,’ he said. ‘The United States will always support Israel’s right to defend itself.’...”

NEWS FROM RUSSIA

Putin Sets July 1 for Controversial Constitutional Vote

June 2, 2020 -- *Voice of America News* reports: "Russian President Vladimir Putin has set July 1 as the date for the national vote on constitutional amendments that among other things would allow him to remain in power until 2036.

Putin announced the decision at a meeting with co-chairs of the working group on the preparation of the bill on June 1.

Ella Pamfilova, the chairwoman of the Central Election Committee, said she supports the idea, adding that the voting will start seven days prior the official date in order to avoid large crowds.

Pamfilova also said that in two or three regions an electronic voting system will be used, though she did not say which regions.

The bill of constitutional amendments was approved by lawmakers and approved by the Constitutional Court in March..." (Vladimir Putin has been in power as either the Prime Minister or President of Russia since 1999. With this Constitutional change, he is, in essence, setting himself up as ruler for life in Russia, much as Xi Jinping is set to be ruler for life in China. Ezekiel chapters 38 and 39 predict the union of Russia and China [Revelation 16:12; Daniel 11:44] as leaders in the battle for the greatest war in history called Armageddon – Revelation 16:16. Revelation 9:14 – 18 pictures its upcoming disastrous results.)

Russia Eyes Military Expansion in Northeast Syria

June 5, 2020 -- *Voice of America News* reports: "Russian troops in Syria are looking to expand their military presence in the northeastern part of the war-ravaged country, local sources said. A Russian military convoy arrived last week in a village near Syria's border with

Turkey and Iraq, where Russian officers reportedly met with local residents and discussed the possibility of building a military base in the vicinity.

A local reporter told *VOA* that the village Qasir Dib is located near the Kurdish-majority town of Malikiyah in Syria's north-easternmost region.

'I spoke with people who were present at the meeting,' said Nishan Mohammad, a freelance reporter based in northeast Syria. 'They confirmed that the Russians had expressed a desire to build a military base in the village.'

In recent months, Russia, a staunch backer of Syrian President Bashar al-Assad's regime, has increased its foothold the country's northeast, which is largely controlled by local Kurdish forces..." (Russia preparing to fulfill Ezekiel 38:1, 2, 8, 16; Joel 2:3, 20, 30 for the Armageddon campaign – Revelation 16:16 – which will be fought against America, the EU and the entire Western World. Islamic armies will align themselves with Russia and China for holy jihad – holy war – Ezekiel 38:13; Daniel 11:40; Isaiah 17:1; Ezekiel 38:5-7; Psalm 83: 4 – 7. See the next two reports.)

Russian aircraft intercepted 8 miles from U.S. airspace near Alaska

June 11, 2020 -- *SpaceWar.com* reports: "U.S. fighter planes intercepted two waves of Russian bombers flying within eight miles of U.S. airspace near Alaska on Wednesday, officials said.

'North American Aerospace Defense Command F-22 Raptors, supported by KC-135 Stratotankers and E-3 Airborne Warning and Control System, completed two intercepts of Russian Bomber formations entering the Alaskan Air Defense Identification Zone early this morning,' the North American Aerospace Defense Command said Wednesday on Twitter.

'The Russian military aircraft remained in international airspace and at no time

did they enter United States sovereign airspace.'

The first Russian formation, of two Tu-95 bombers, two Su-35 fighter planes and an A-50 early warning and control aircraft, came within 20 nautical miles of the Alaskan Air Defense Identification Zone, a 200-mile long coastline with U.S. territorial airspace beginning 12 miles from the coast.

The second included Tu-95 bombers and an A-50 plane, came within 32 nautical miles, NORAD said. The Russian planes were identified and intercepted as they flew closer to U.S. territory than in recent years..."

U.S. intercepts more Russian military planes near Alaska

June 18, 2020 -- *SpaceWar.com* reports: "U.S. fighter planes intercepted eight Russian military aircraft flying near Alaska in two separate incidents, NORAD announced Wednesday.

The intercepts, late Tuesday, mark the third and fourth such incidents in the past week, and the seventh and eighth in 2020, indicating an increase in Russian air activity on the U.S. border.

'NORAD F-22 Raptors, supported by KC-135 Stratotankers and an E-3 Airborne Warning and Control System, successfully completed two intercepts of Russian bomber aircraft formations entering the Alaskan Air Defense Identification Zone last night,' NORAD [North American Aerospace Defense Command] said in a series of Twitter messages. 'The Russian military aircraft came within 32 nautical miles of Alaskan shores; however, remained in international airspace and at no time did they enter United States sovereign airspace.'

The first formation involved two Tu-95 bombers, which are capable of carrying nuclear missiles; two Su-35 fighter planes; and an A-50 warning and control plane. The second included two Tu-95s and one A-50..."

THE KINGS OF THE EAST

China Threatens to Retaliate Against U.S. Over Hong Kong

June 1, 2020 -- *Voice of America News* reports: "China has threatened to retaliate against the United States after President Donald Trump's decision to begin the process of eliminating Hong Kong's special status and impose restrictions on Chinese students in U.S. Trump's action was prompted by a new Chinese national security law in Hong Kong.

Speaking to reporters at the daily briefing on Monday, Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman Zhao Lijian said 'the announced measures severely interfere with China's internal affairs, damage U.S.-China relations, and will harm both sides. China is firmly opposed to this,' adding that 'any words or actions by the U.S. that harm China's interests will meet with China's firm counterattack.'

Trump said on Friday the controversial security law is tragic for the people of Hong Kong and violated China's promise to protect its autonomy.

He said the Chinese government had been 'diminishing the city's longstanding and very proud status.'

The president stopped short, however, of calling an immediate end to privileges that have helped Hong Kong remain a global financial hub..." (China will become a basic partner with Russia for the rapidly approaching battle of Armageddon – Revelation 16:16. Russia will lead invasion number one – Ezekiel 38 & 39. China will lead invasion number two – Revelation 16:12; Revelation 9:14 – 16. Then all nations will come against Jerusalem for the final invasion at which point Jesus will return to stop the bloodshed and set up his eternal kingdom upon earth – "[He gathers] all nations against Jerusalem to battle; and the city shall be taken... Then shall the Lord go forth, and fight against those nations, as when he fought in the

day of battle. And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east, and the mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the east and toward the west, and there shall be a very great valley; and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north, and half of it toward the south" – Zechariah 14:2 – 4. Then Psalm 2:6 occurs as God the Father says: "...I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion [Jerusalem]." See the next three reports.)

China warns Britain interfering in Hong Kong will 'backfire'

June 4, 2020 -- *SpaceWar.com* reports: "China warned Britain on Wednesday that interfering in Hong Kong will backfire, after the former colonial power vowed to give sanctuary to locals who may flee the city if a controversial security law is passed.

The United States and Britain have enraged Beijing with their criticism of planned national security legislation that critics fear would destroy the semi-autonomous city's limited freedoms.

British Foreign Secretary Dominic Raab has further angered Beijing by suggesting that it had time to 'reconsider' the plan, which could soon be enacted after the proposal was endorsed by China's rubber-stamp parliament last week.

Prime Minister Boris Johnson, meanwhile, said London would not 'walk away' from Hong Kongers worried by Beijing's control over the international business hub.

Johnson wrote in a column for *The Times* newspaper and the *South China Morning Post* that he would offer millions of Hong Kongers visas and a possible route to UK citizenship if China persists with its national security law.

Chinese foreign ministry spokesman Zhao Lijian said Beijing had lodged 'serious representations' with London

over Raab's remarks, which 'grossly interfered' in Hong Kong's affairs.

'We advise the UK to step back from the brink, abandon their Cold War mentality and colonial mindset, and recognise and respect the fact that Hong Kong has returned' to China, Zhao said at a regular briefing..."

China Condemns 'Provocative' U.S. Military Flight Over Taiwan

June 12, 2020 -- *Voice of America News* reports: "China on Thursday condemned the U.S. military for the 'provocative' flight of one of its aircraft over Chinese-claimed Taiwan, saying the move infringed upon China's sovereignty and contravened international law.

China considers democratically ruled Taiwan its own territory, and it regularly denounces the United States for its support of the island.

A U.S. C-40A, a military version of the Boeing 737, entered Taiwan air space with permission, though it did not land at any Taiwan airports, Taiwan's Defense Ministry said Tuesday.

China's Taiwan Affairs Office said the U.S. aircraft had 'harmed our sovereignty, security and development rights, and contravened international law and the basic norms of international relations.'

'It was an illegal act and a seriously provocative incident,' the office said in a statement carried by state media. 'We express strong dissatisfaction and resolute opposition...'

China to join UN arms trade treaty, 'enhance' world peace

June 23, 2020 -- *SpaceWar.com* reports: "China will join a global pact to regulate arms sales that has been rejected by the United States, with Beijing saying Monday it is committed to efforts to 'enhance peace and stability' in the world.

The Communist Party leadership's top legislative body voted Saturday to adopt

a decision on joining the UN Arms Trade Treaty that is designed to control the flow of weapons into conflict zones.

It comes after U.S. President Donald Trump announced plans last year to pull the United States out of the agreement — which entered into force in 2014.

Chinese foreign ministry spokesman Zhao Lijian told reporters that joining the treaty was ‘another important measure for China to support multilateralism’.

He added that the country would make a ‘continuous effort to maintain and enhance peace and stability in the world and region’, and that China has ‘always strictly controlled the export of military products’...

Kim’s sister says North Korea will take ‘action’ against South

June 15, 2020 -- *SpaceWar.com* reports: “North Korea will take ‘action’ against the South and entrust its military to carry it out, Kim Yo Jong, the powerful sister of leader Kim Jong Un, threatened Saturday in a statement carried by the *KCNA* news agency.

‘I feel it is high time to surely break with the South Korean authorities. We will soon take a next action,’ she said in the latest denunciation of Seoul.

Since last week the North has issued a series of vitriolic condemnations of the South over activists sending anti-Pyongyang leaflets over the border — something defectors do on a regular basis.

‘By exercising my power authorized by the Supreme Leader, our Party and the state, I gave an instruction to the arms of the department in charge of the affairs with enemy to decisively carry out the next action,’ said Kim Yo Jong, who is a key advisor to her brother...” **(Kim Jong-un, and now his sister, are following in the footsteps of their father Kim Jong-il and grandfather Kim il-sung in seeking nuclear weapons. In 1993, President Bill Clinton spoke in South Korea and stated that if North Korea gained and used a nuclear weapon, the U.S. would quickly and overwhelming retaliate, and it would mean the end of their country as they know it. President**

George W. Bush named North Korea as one of the three-part ‘axis of evil’ along with Iran and Iraq in 2002. In 2014, President Barack Obama warned North Korea that the U.S. would not hesitate to use military might to defend our allies against this ‘pariah state’. And in August 2017, President Donald Trump stated: “North Korea best not make any more threats to the United States. They will be met with fire and fury like the world has never seen.” It is believed that North Korea developed nuclear weapons in 2004.)

North Korea Threatens ‘Sensational Event’ to End America

June 23, 2020 -- *Breitbart.com* reports: “A statement from North Korea’s embassy in Moscow observing the 70th anniversary of the still-ongoing Korean War this weekend threatened a ‘sensational event’ leading to the destruction of the United States.

North Korea routinely threatened nuclear attacks on America for much of the past decade, peaking in intensity around 2016-2017. Pyongyang’s communist regime issued many of those threats in the form of videos simulating nuclear attacks on Washington, DC, and other major American cities. Following its most recent nuclear attack in September 2017, however, the United Nations approved of strict sanctions on North Korea that have crippled its economy and apparently limited its ability to threaten free states.

The belligerent statement out of Moscow follows a turbulent week in which the North Koreans bombed a joint liaison office with the South in Kaesong, built exclusively with South Korean money, and have since refused any talks with the leftist government of President Moon Jae-in. Dictator Kim Jong-un has apparently tasked his sister, Kim Yo-jong, with leading the propaganda charge against the South, as Kim has signed her name on several insulting statements targeting Moon.

Russia’s *TASS* news agency reported the

statement out of North Korea’s outpost in Moscow on Saturday, stating it was sent to the agency directly from the embassy...” **(Nuclear war is coming – “Saying to the sixth angel which had the trumpet, Loose the four angels which are bound in the great river Euphrates. And the four angels were loosed, which were prepared for an hour, and a day, and a month, and a year, for to slay the third part of men. And the number of the army of the horsemen were two hundred thousand thousand: and I heard the number of them. And thus I saw the horses in the vision, and them that sat on them, having breastplates of fire, and of jacinth, and brimstone: and the heads of the horses were as the heads of lions; and out of their mouths issued fire and smoke and brimstone. By these three was the third part of men killed, by the fire, and by the smoke, and by the brimstone, which issued out of their mouths.” This conflict called Armageddon is described in Revelation 9:14 – 18. See the next two reports.)**

North Korea denounces U.S. two years after Singapore summit

June 15, 2020 -- *SpaceWar.com* reports: “North Korea criticised Donald Trump in a stinging denunciation of the United States on Friday, the second anniversary of a landmark summit in Singapore where the U.S. president shook hands with leader Kim Jong Un.

It was the latest in a series of vitriolic statements from Pyongyang aimed at both Washington and Seoul, and came a day after the North implicitly threatened to disrupt November’s election if the U.S. did not stay out of inter-Korean affairs.

In recent days, Pyongyang has excoriated the South over defectors launching leaflets criticising Kim into the North and announced it was cutting all official communication links with Seoul.

Friday’s broadside contained some of the harshest criticism Pyongyang has sent Washington’s way in recent months, and casts doubt over the future of the two sides’

long-stalled nuclear talks process...”

North Korea: Washington remains a long-term threat

June 12, 2020 -- *Israel National News* reports: “North Korea sees no improvement in relations to be made by maintaining a relationship between leader Kim Jong Un and U.S. President Donald Trump, state media reported on

SIGNS IN THE SUN, MOON, AND STARS

For Russia, SpaceX success is ‘wakeup call’

June 4, 2020 -- *SpaceDaily.com* reports: “Russia has lost its long-held monopoly as the only country able to ferry astronauts to the International Space Station following the flawless manned launch by U.S. company SpaceX.

The Russian space agency congratulated the United States and Elon Musk’s SpaceX on the first crewed flight ever by a private company, but experts said the launch should be a wakeup call for Roscosmos.

‘The success of the mission will provide us with additional opportunities that will benefit the whole international programme,’ cosmonaut Sergei Krikalev, Roscosmos executive director for crewed space programmes, said in a brief video address.

Saturday’s launch was the first of American astronauts from U.S. soil since the mothballing of the U.S. shuttle programme in 2011 that left Russia’s more basic and reliable Soyuz spacecraft solely responsible for transporting crews...” **(Jesus said: “And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring; Men’s hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken. And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. And when these things begin to come**

Friday (local time).

U.S. policies prove Washington remains a long-term threat to the North Korean state and its people, North Korean Foreign Minister Ri Son Gwon said in a statement carried by the state news agency *KCNA*.

The statement was published on the anniversary of the Singapore summit

to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh— “ Luke 21:25 – 28. See the next three reports.)

Washington seeks to turn space into combat zone, Russian Ambassador to U.S. says

June 2, 2020 -- *SpaceWar.com* reports: “On 18 May, the U.S. Space Force issued a \$2.375 billion contract to defence company Northrop Grumman to build two missile early detection satellites by the end of December 2025. Dubbed Next Gen OPIR, the satellites are the first of an anticipated five-sat constellation expected to be in place by 2029.

On Friday, the Russian Ambassador to the U.S. Anatoly Antonov said that Washington seeks to turn space into a combat zone, adding that there is no need to exacerbate the situation.

‘We see that the Americans, with the support of their NATO allies, are trying to turn space into a combat zone and battleground for possible clashes between our nations’, he said in an interview with *Zvezda TV Channel*. ‘We are doing everything possible to prevent this.’

Antonov went on to say that Moscow has so far failed to convince Washington of the need to work together to prevent an arms race in outer space...”

China’s Defense Ministry Urges U.S., Japan to refrain from arms race in space

June 2, 2020 -- *SpaceWar.com* reports: “China is calling upon countries that have created space military units to prevent space from becoming a new

in June 2018 which represented the first time a sitting American president met with a North Korean leader.

Ri said in retrospect the Trump administration appears to have been focusing on only scoring political points while seeking to isolate and suffocate North Korea, and threatening it with preemptive nuclear strikes and regime change...”

international battleground, Chinese Defense Ministry spokesman Ren Guoqiang said on Friday.

‘Separate countries have created space military forces, under the pretext of a threat coming from other countries, but in reality in pursuit of military superiority in space’, Ren said at a briefing.

‘We call upon these countries to adhere to a reasonable and responsible approach, prevent space from becoming a new battleground, and to jointly protect sustainable peace in space’.

According to the spokesman, the intensification of military activity in space risks ‘to trigger an arms race in space and in the future negatively affect global strategic stability’. China is closely monitoring any such actions, as stated by the spokesman.

Ren reiterated that China has consistently insisted on the peaceful use of space and strongly opposed any attempts to militarize it...”

U.S. vows to curb China and Russia in space

June 18, 2020 -- *SpaceWar.com* reports: “The United States wants to prevent China and Russia from taking control of space and will look to allies for help, according to a new ‘Defense Space Strategy’ unveiled by the Pentagon on Wednesday.

The strategy document was the first since President Donald Trump announced the creation of the new Space Force military arm in December.

‘China and Russia present the

greatest strategic threat due to their development, testing and deployment of counterspace capabilities,’ it said.

‘China and Russia each have weaponized

space as a means to reduce U.S. and allied military effectiveness and challenge our freedom of operation in space.’

The strategy stressed that the U.S. would

strive to maintain superiority in space, in particular protecting GPS satellites on which the military as well as the emergency services, transport and even financial services depend...’

CONTENDING FOR THE FAITH

Church puts bishop on trial for following Bible on marriage

June 20, 2020 -- *WND.com* reports: “The Episcopal Church has put one of its bishops on trial for following the Bible.

William Love, the bishop of Albany, New York, is accused of breaking his ordination vows by refusing to allow same-sex marriages in his diocese, according to the U.K.’s Christian Institute.

The bishop abides by the traditional Christian doctrine that marriage is the union of one man and one woman.

Paul Cooney, a church lawyer, claimed that by rejecting same-sex marriages, Love ‘failed to conform to the worship of the church.’

‘The church’s sacramental rites are theologically sacred and a pastorally critical element of its worship, and by prohibiting same-sex couples access to the sacramental rite of marriage, [Bishop Love] fails to conform to this holy and important element of worship of the Episcopal church,’ Cooney said...” (*“This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away. For of this sort are they which creep into houses, and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts, Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth. Now as Jannes and Jambres withstood Moses, so do these also resist the truth: men of corrupt minds,*

reprobate concerning the faith. But they shall proceed no further: for their folly shall be manifest unto all men, as their’s also was... But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived. But continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned them; And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works” – II Timothy 3:1-9; 13-17 [emphasis mine].)

Family Research Council Denounces Christian ‘Genocide’ in Nigeria

June 25, 2020 -- *Breitbart.com* reports: “The U.S.-based Family Research Council (FRC) has denounced the ‘bloodbath’ taking place in Nigeria, as radical Islamists carry on a largely unreported slaughter of the nation’s Christians.

The ‘dangerous darkness’ of radical Islam with its genocidal intentions is sweeping across the African continent and is particularly lethal in Nigeria, Lela Gilbert writes for FRC.

In recent decades, ‘tens of thousands of Nigerians have been slaughtered,’ Gilbert writes, and yet ‘their stories rarely appear in mainstream Western news reports’ despite the fact that it is ‘increasingly clear that another genocide is already taking place.’

Gilbert cites a number of the most recent examples of the ongoing carnage, such as the Islamist massacre of 81 people

during an attack on Foduma Kolomaiya village in northeast Nigeria earlier this month as well as twin attacks that killed 20 soldiers and more than 40 civilians in Borno State on June 13.

Similarly, jihadists recently gunned down a Nigerian Christian pastor along with his wife who were working on their farm in Taraba State, leaving orphaned the couple’s eight children, ages 1 to 19, Gilbert notes...” (*If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before it hated you. If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you. Remember the word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord. If they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you; if they have kept my saying, they will keep yours also. But all these things will they do unto you for my name’s sake, because they know not him that sent me. If I had not come and spoken unto them, they had not had sin: but now they have no cloak for their sin. He that hateth me hateth my Father also. If I had not done among them the works which none other man did, they had not had sin: but now have they both seen and hated both me and my Father. But this cometh to pass, that the word might be fulfilled that is written in their law, They hated me without a cause. But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me: And ye also shall bear witness, because ye have been with me from the beginning” – John 15:18-27.)*