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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

A BRAVE NEW WORLD

Boston Children’s Hospital: Children Know They Are Trans ‘the Minute They Were Born’

August 16, 2022 -- *Breitbart.com* reports: “A harrowing video from the Boston Children’s Hospital claims that children can know that they are transgender ‘from the minute they were born, practically.’

The video was made by Dr. Jeremi Carswell, the Director of the Gender Multispeciality Service at the Boston Children’s Hospital.

The Boston Children’s Hospital is associated with Harvard University and was the first to establish a clinic that specifically focused on ‘transgender health’ in a pediatric setting.

In the video, Carswell makes the startling claim that ‘A child will often know that they are transgender from the moment that they have any ability to express themselves.’ She continues and doubles down, remarking, ‘They knew from the minute they were born, practically.’

Breitbart News previously revealed that Carswell has received thousands of dollars in compensation for consulting on behalf of Endo Pharmaceuticals, a company that makes a drug that is used off-label as a puberty blocker for children who are considered to be transgender...” (What does the Bible say about gender? *And God said, Let*

*us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them. And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth. – Genesis 1:26-28 [emphasis mine]. God created male and female and is involved in every aspect of our creation. What does the Bible say about the unborn? Samson told Delilah ...I have been a Nazarite unto God from my mother’s womb... – Judges 16:17. David stated: *For thou hast possessed my reins: thou hast covered me in my mother’s womb. I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well. My substance was not hid from thee, when I was made in secret, and curiously wrought in the lowest parts of the earth. Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being unperfect; and in thy book all my members were written, which in continuance were fashioned, when as yet there was none of them – Psalm 139:13-17. God told Jeremiah**

Before I formed thee in the belly, I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations – Jeremiah 1:5. Luke 1:41 – 45 states: And it came to pass, that, when Elisabeth heard the salutation of Mary, the babe leaped in her womb; and Elisabeth was filled with the Holy Ghost: And she spake out with a loud voice, and said, Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb. And whence is this to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For, lo, as soon as the voice of thy salutation sounded in mine ears, the babe leaped in my womb for joy. And blessed is she that believed: for there shall be a performance of those things which were told her from the Lord.)

Episcopal Church Comes Out in Support of Sex Changes ‘at All Ages’

August 11, 2022 -- *Breitbart.com* reports: “The Episcopal Church passed a resolution in support of sex change attempts ‘at all ages,’ calling it a matter of ‘religious liberty.’

Resolution D066, passed by the 80th General Convention, is titled ‘Addressing restrictions on access to gender affirming care.’ The House of Bishops has concurred with the resolution.

It calls for the Episcopal Church to ‘advocate for access to gender

affirming care in all forms (social, medical, or any other) and at all ages.’ It goes on to say that advocating for sex change operations is ‘part of our Baptismal call to respect the dignity of every human being.’

The resolution specifically ‘affirms that all Episcopalians should be able to partake in gender affirming care

with no restriction on movement, autonomy, or timing.’ The Episcopal Church also opposes laws that prohibit people, including children, from being medically assisted in their attempts to change their sex.

What the Episcopal Church refers to as ‘gender affirming care’ includes medical interventions such as the

use of puberty blockers and hormone replacement therapy, as well as surgeries that permanently damage fully functioning body parts, or that seek to change one’s face shape...” (*Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!* – Isaiah 5:20.)

CONTENDING FOR THE FAITH

Extremists chop off Christian convert’s hand in Uganda weeks after he left Islam

August 19, 2022 -- *ChristianPost.com* reports: “Muslim extremists in eastern Uganda last month cut off the hand of a 42-year-old father who left Islam to become a Christian in June, sources said.

Musa John Kasadah of Maumo village, Luuka District was ambushed on July 26 as he tried to flee to safety with his family, who had joined him in putting faith in Christ at an open-air event on June 17, said his wife, Asiya Naigaga. The couple have six children, including two adults.

Kasadah was attacked at about 11:45 a.m. at Nakabondo village, near Bukadde village, while fleeing for safety to Nawaningi village, Iganga District, she said...” (*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 have 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 your 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. These things have I spoken unto you, that ye should not be*

offended. They shall put you out of the synagogues: yea, the time cometh, that whosoever killeth you will think that he doeth God service. And these things will they do unto you, because they have not known the Father, nor me – John 15:18 – 24; 16:1 – 3.)

Terrorists Kill More Than 20 Christians in Taraba State, Nigeria

August 18, 2022 -- *ChristianHeadlines.com* reports: “After more than 20 Christians lost their lives to terrorist attacks in two areas of Taraba state, Nigeria in the first half of August, a Catholic teacher on Sunday (Aug. 14) was kidnapped from a church site, sources said.

Suspected members of the Islamic State West Africa Province (ISWAP) shot their way onto the site of St. Agnes Catholic Church in Dinya village, in Taraba state’s Gassol County, at about 10 p.m. and abducted the catechist, Gideon Tsehemba, said the Rev. Lawrence Awua, the parish priest.

‘The ISWAP terrorists broke into the premises of our church on Sunday, Aug. 14, as we were already in our bedrooms,’ Awua told *Morning Star News* in a text message. ‘They were shooting indiscriminately in the premises of the church. Our Catechist, Mr. Gideon Tsehemba, was forcefully dragged out of the church with a gun pointed at him. I was already in my bedroom, but they thought there was no one around except the catechist.’

The kidnappers have not made contact with anyone from the church, he said...” (*Christians who suffer and die for Christ will receive the “Crown of Life” to place at the feet of Jesus – James 1:12; Revelation 2:10. The 24*

elders represent 12 Old Testament Tribes and 12 New Testament Apostles – saved Jews and redeemed Christians. In Revelation 4: 10 & 11 they cast their earned crowns before the Lord Jesus Christ.)

Christian Persecution Worsens in Communist Nicaragua with Arrests, Silencing of Catholic Media

August 26, 2022 -- *Breitbart.com* reports: “The socialist regime of Nicaragua has doubled down on its fierce campaign against the Catholic Church in the nation throughout August by arresting members of the church and indiscriminately closing down Catholic radio stations throughout the country.

The Church has long stood as a bastion of opposition to Nicaraguan dictator Daniel Ortega; throughout the past month, Ortega has exacerbated repression to curb any and all opposition to his Sandinista regime.

The delicate situation ramped up on August 6, when Nicaragua’s police announced that it opened an investigation into the nation’s Catholic leadership for allegedly inciting violent acts with the intention of destabilizing the country and the ruling socialist regime. The announcement came hours after Rosario Murillo, Nicaragua’s vice president and dictator Ortega’s wife, had accused Bishop of Matagalpa Rolando Álvarez of having committed ‘sins against spirituality,’ due to his outspoken criticism of the Sandinista regime...” (*Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown*

of life – Revelation 2:10. Jesus said in the Beatitudes: Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake. Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you – Matthew 5:10 – 12.)

'Rushdie insulted Islam': Justifying attack, Iran faults writer for his own stabbing

August 15, 2022 -- *The Times of Israel* reports: "An Iranian government official denied on Monday that Tehran was involved in the assault on author Salman Rushdie, while also blaming him for his own assault, in the country's first public comments on the attack. Nasser Kanaani, the spokesman of Iran's Foreign Ministry, made the

remarks in a briefing to journalists. 'We categorically deny' any link with the attack, Kanaani said. 'No one has the right to accuse the Islamic Republic of Iran.'

Speaking at his weekly press conference in Tehran, he added: 'In this attack, we do not consider anyone other than Salman Rushdie and his supporters worthy of blame and even condemnation.

'By insulting the sacred matters of Islam and crossing the red lines of more than one and a half billion Muslims and all followers of the divine religions, Salman Rushdie has exposed himself to the anger and rage of the people.'...'' (Islam is a religion of hate. Sharia Law demands death penalties for (1) Daughters who have premarital sex, (2) Homosexuals – these murderers are told to drop them from the highest mountain to be sure to hear

their fearful screams, (3) Apostates – these are Islamic religionists who mock Allah, Muhammad, of the Koran, (4) All infidels – non Muslim religionists. Nothing matters to these self-proclaimed holy and righteous men. How wrong they are. It is the Muslims who will be judged by the true God for the way they committed every abominable sin wicked minds created – *Knowing this, that the law is not made for a righteous man, but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and for sinners, for unholy and profane, for murderers of fathers and murderers of mothers, for manslayers, For whoremongers, for them that defile themselves with mankind, for menstealers, for liars, for perjured persons, and if there be any other thing that is contrary to sound doctrine; According to the glorious gospel of the blessed God, which was committed to my trust* I Timothy 1:9-11.)

NUCLEAR ARMAGEDDON

Study: Billions would die of hunger after nuclear war between U.S., Russia

August 16, 2022 -- *SpaceWar.com* reports: "The injection of sun-blocking soot into the stratosphere from firestorms created by a nuclear war between the United States and Russia could cause more than 5 billion people to die from hunger, according to a new study.

Researchers at Rutgers University published a study Monday in the journal *Nature Food* that presents models for a scenario in which the United States and Russia are engaged in a full-scale nuclear war for one week.

'A war between the United States, its allies and Russia — who possess more than 90% of the global nuclear arsenal — could produce more than 150 teragrams of soot and a nuclear winter,' the study reads.

A teragram is a unit of measurement equal to 1 trillion grams and models show that soot injections into the atmosphere larger than 5 teragrams would lead to mass food shortages in almost all countries...' (Ezekiel 38:5 predicts that Russia, the Orient, and

Persia [which changed its name to Iran in 1932] will see millions destroyed through atomic warfare in the Latter Years and Latter Days – Ezekiel 38:8, 16. Prepare to meet thy God Israel – Amos 4:12. This battle is described in Revelation 9:14 – 18: *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. See the next three reports.)*

Russian navy should be equipped with tactical nukes, says Russian scientist

August 19, 2022 -- *The Jerusalem Post* reports: "The Russian navy should be equipped with tactical nuclear weapons, a Russian nuclear scientist proposed to Russian state media on Friday.

'On this issue [the equipping the fleets with tactical nuclear weapons], we found complete mutual understanding with [recently deceased Russian Navy commander-in-chief Admiral Vladimir] Vysotsky,' Radii Ilkaev of the Russian Federal Nuclear Center told *RIA*.

'We wanted this issue to be discussed in the Security Council,' Ilkaev continued. 'We are a great maritime power and must have an appropriate fleet for protection. But in order to build such a fleet, you need 100 years, it is very expensive. In the meantime, you need to protect it by available means — to return tactical nuclear weapons, they are in warehouses.'

Ilkaev said that there was only a 'gentleman's agreement' not to implement such a policy after then Soviet Union president Mikhail

Gorbachev reduced such arms in agreement with the U.S....”

Putin: Russia soon to deploy new naval hypersonic missiles

August 4, 2022 -- *The Jerusalem Post* reports: “The Russian Navy will be equipped with its military’s newest naval hypersonic missile in the coming months, Russian President Vladimir Putin said during the Navy Day parade in St. Petersburg on Sunday, state media reported.

The Zircon hypersonic missile was reported by *TASS* on Thursday to be expected to be put into service on surface ships as early as September. The first ship expected to receive the weapon is the *Admiral Gorshkov* frigate. ‘State tests of the product have been

completed, all documents for the adoption of the product into service have been prepared,’ a source in the military told *TASS*. ‘It is expected that in September the surface Zircon will be put into service with the fleet.’

The weapon is also expected to be deployed on submarines, according to *Russia Today* television...”

Mossad chief says signing nuclear deal bodes strategic disaster

August 26, 2022 -- *YnetNews.com* reports: “Mossad Chief Dedi Barnea said on Thursday that the nuclear deal with Iran, that is now being considered will cause a strategic disaster, because it will facilitate Iranian’s long-lasting efforts to obtain a bomb.

In briefings held with Prime Minister Yair Lapid and others, Barnea said that the deal will infuse Iran’s purse with billions of dollars that will be diverted to fund terrorist groups including the Lebanon based Hezbollah, the Hamas and the Islamic Jihad, as well as other proxies and will pose a challenge for both the U.S. and Israel.

He described the deal as worst than its 2015 predecessor because now, there is more information about Iran’s military capabilities.

Despite the fact that Iran’s lies about its nuclear ambitions were discovered, the Mossad chief said, the U.S. was now willing to sign a deal despite the Iranian refusal to respond to the investigation of the International Atomic Energy Agency...”

NEWS FROM ISRAEL

Islamic Jihad: ‘We’ll scatter the heads and bodies of Zionists on the mountaintops’

August 4, 2022 -- *Israel National News* reports: “A spokesperson for the Islamic Jihad terror group’s Jenin Battalion, which is accompanied by armed activists, read out a notice threatening terror attacks against Israel in response to the arrest of Islamic Jihad leader Basa’am Asadi earlier this week.

‘We will scatter the heads of Zionists and their bodies on the mountaintops,’ the spokesperson said.

In a video attached to the threatening message, armed terrorists can be seen shooting at IDF forces during previous operations in the Jenin area...” *(Deliver me from mine enemies, O my God: defend me from them that rise up against me. Deliver me from the workers of iniquity, and save me from bloody men. For, lo, they lie in wait for my soul: the mighty are gathered against me; not for my transgression, nor for my sin, O Lord. They run and prepare themselves without my fault: awake to help me, and behold. Thou therefore, O Lord God of hosts, the God of Israel, awake to visit all the heathen: be not merciful to any wicked transgressors. Selah. They return at evening: they make a*

noise like a dog, and go round about the city. Behold, they belch out with their mouth: swords are in their lips: for who, say they, doth hear? But thou, O Lord, shalt laugh at them; thou shalt have all the heathen in derision. Because of his strength will I wait upon thee: for God is my defence. The God of my mercy shall prevent me: God shall let me see my desire upon mine enemies. Slay them not, lest my people forget: scatter them by thy power; and bring them down, O Lord our shield. For the sin of their mouth and the words of their lips let them even be taken in their pride: and for cursing and lying which they speak. Consume them in wrath, consume them, that they may not be: and let them know that God ruleth in Jacob unto the ends of the earth. Selah. And at evening let them return; and let them make a noise like a dog, and go round about the city. Let them wander up and down for meat, and grudge if they be not satisfied. But I will sing of thy power; yea, I will sing aloud of thy mercy in the morning: for thou hast been my defence and refuge in the day of my trouble. Unto thee, O my strength, will I sing: for God is my defence, and the God of my mercy. – Psalm 59:1-17; Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for him: fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way, because of

the man who bringeth wicked devices to pass. Cease from anger, and forsake wrath: fret not thyself in any wise to do evil. For evildoers shall be cut off: but those that wait upon the Lord, they shall inherit the earth. For yet a little while, and the wicked shall not be: yea, thou shalt diligently consider his place, and it shall not be. But the meek shall inherit the earth; and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace. The wicked plotteth against the just, and gnasheth upon him with his teeth. The Lord shall laugh at him: for he seeth that his day is coming. The wicked have drawn out the sword, and have bent their bow, to cast down the poor and needy, and to slay such as be of upright conversation. Their sword shall enter into their own heart, and their bows shall be broken. A little that a righteous man hath is better than the riches of many wicked. For the arms of the wicked shall be broken: but the Lord upholdeth the righteous. The Lord knoweth the days of the upright: and their inheritance shall be for ever. – Psalm 37:7-18; Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the Lord, and against his anointed, saying, Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their

cords from us. He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision. Then shall he speak unto them in his wrath, and vex them in his sore displeasure. – Psalm 2:1-5. See the next two reports.)

Senior Islamic Jihad official: We will bomb the center of Israel

August 4, 2022 -- *The Jerusalem Post* reports: “Israel’s military is bracing for an attack near the border with Gaza, but other areas might be at risk as well.

Khaled al-Batsh, head of the politburo of the Palestinian Islamic Jihad in the Gaza Strip, told *The Media Line* that central Israel is under threat by his organization.

‘We have every right to bomb Israel with our most advanced weapons, and make the occupier pay a heavy price. We will not settle for attacking around Gaza, but we will bomb the center of the so-called State of Israel,’ Batsh said...”

Top Islamic Jihad official: We are preparing for the next round of fighting against Israel

August 16, 2022 -- *Israel National News* reports: “Khaled al-Batsh, a member of the political bureau of the Islamic Jihad, on Monday warned Israel against eliminating other senior members of the terrorist organization.

In an interview with the *Voice of Al-Quds* radio station and quoted by the Palestinian Arab *Quds Net* agency, Batsh said that the military arm of the Islamic Jihad, the Al-Quds Brigades, ‘will not hesitate to respond to any assassination of any Palestinian leader.’ Batsh noted that after each round of confrontation with Israel, the Islamic Jihad evaluates the situation and draws lessons, and on this basis ‘the effect of the military capabilities in pressuring the occupation and its encouragement to comply with our

conditions could be seen.’

‘The campaign against the enemy is not carried out in a victorious blow and is not measured by the number of martyrs, but is rather a campaign for justice and it is tested by the degree of our ability to stand firm and keep our breath and protect the rights and adhere to them,’ said Batsh...”

Islamic Jihad leader to Israel: It’s either you or us in this land

August 26, 2022 -- *Israel National News* reports: “The leader of the Islamic Jihad, Ziad Al-Nakhala, on Thursday accused Israel of evading the commitments it made to Egypt at the end of the last round of fighting (‘Operation Breaking Dawn’), stressing that ‘the enemy government will bear full responsibility for this.’

In the Egypt-brokered ceasefire agreement that ended Operation Breaking Dawn, Egypt undertook to work for the release of two Islamic Jihad terrorists being held in Israel, namely Bassam al-Saadi, the leader of the Islamic Jihad in Samaria, and Khalil Awawdeh, who has started a hunger strike to protest his administrative detention...

The military wing of the Islamic Jihad recently threatened measures against Israel in response to the non-release of al-Saadi and Awawdeh.

Nakhala, in a message addressed to Israel, said, ‘We say to the enemy, to those who help him and to his supporters: In this land that belongs to us, either you will be in it or we will. We will fight you forever, and we will fight you in everything and we will continue fighting until you leave.’...” **(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 report.)

Erdogan: Despite reconciliation with Israel, we still support the ‘Palestinian cause’

August 24, 2022 -- *Israel National News* reports: “Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan said on Tuesday that Turkey’s reconciliation efforts with Israel will in no way diminish its support for the ‘Palestinian cause’, *The Associated Press* reported.

Erdogan made the comments during a visit by Palestinian Authority (PA) chairman Mahmoud Abbas, who arrived in Ankara just one week after Turkey and Israel announced their decision to restore full diplomatic relations and reappoint ambassadors for the first time since 2018.

‘The steps taken in our relations with Israel will in no way reduce our support for the Palestinian cause,’ Erdogan said. ‘On the contrary, our Palestinian brothers also express that these steps will contribute to a solution to the Palestinian issue and improve the situation of the Palestinian people.’

Abbas did not comment directly on the rapprochement between Turkey and Israel, but thanked Turkey for its ‘unwavering’ support to the Palestinians...”

THE IRANIAN THREAT

Iran’s supreme leader to Islamic Jihad: You have proven you can ‘crush the enemy’

August 15, 2022 -- *The Times of Israel* reports: “Iran’s supreme leader

applauded the Palestinian Islamic Jihad terror group on Thursday, telling the leader of the Iran-backed organization it had proven Palestinians could ‘crush the enemy’ during three days of fighting

with Israel last week.

Iranian Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei made the remarks in an exchange of letters with Islamic Jihad’s general-secretary, Ziad Nakhaleh,

according to a report in Iran's semi-official *Fars* news agency.

In the letters, Nakhleh and Khamenei both played down divisions between different Gaza terror groups, after Hamas sat out last week's fighting.

Khamenei told the terror chief, 'The recent event has added to the honors of the Palestinian Islamic Jihad movement and elevated the status of Islamic Jihad in the magnificent resistance movement of the Palestinian nation.'

'You have proven that each section of the resistance is able to crush the enemy,' Khamenei told Nakhleh, who was in Iran for meetings with the terror group's main backers throughout last week's fighting...' **(Israel will never be destroyed. God has declared His love for Israel from its very beginning: And as for thy nativity, in the day thou wast born thy navel was not cut, neither wast thou washed in water to supple thee; thou wast not salted at all, nor swaddled at all. None eye pitied thee, to do any of these unto thee, to have compassion**

upon thee; but thou wast cast out in the open field, to the lothing of thy person, in the day that thou wast born. And when I passed by thee, and saw thee polluted in thine own blood, I said unto thee when thou wast in thy blood, Live; yea, I said unto thee when thou wast in thy blood, Live... Then washed I thee with water; yea, I thoroughly washed away thy blood from thee, and I anointed thee with oil – Ezekiel 16:4 – 6; 9. Deuteronomy 7:6-8 states: For thou art an holy people unto the Lord thy God: the Lord thy God hath chosen thee to be a special people unto himself, above all people that are upon the face of the earth. The Lord did not set his love upon you, nor choose you, because ye were more in number than any people; for ye were the fewest of all people: But because the Lord loved you, and because he would keep the oath which he had sworn unto your fathers, hath the Lord brought you out with a mighty hand, and redeemed you out of the house of bondmen, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt. Despite the

rantings and ravings of the world: ... let us cut them off from being a nation, that the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance – Psalm 83:4, God has promised: ...I will give them [Israel] an everlasting name, that shall not be cut off – Isaiah 56:5. See the next report.)

Iran gives millions annually to Islamic Jihad to attack Israel

August 11, 2022 -- *The Jerusalem Post* reports: "Iran gives millions of dollars annually to Palestinian Islamic Jihad so that it can attack Israel, Defense Minister Benny Gantz said on Thursday in a joint press conference with his Cypriot counterpart Charalambos Petrides.

'Islamic Jihad has an open tab in Iran,' Gantz said, adding that 'Iran provides Islamic Jihad in Gaza with tens of millions of dollars per year.'

'Iran, via the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps, transfers know-how and attempts to smuggle materials to Gaza, which are then used to build weapons aimed at civilians,' Gantz said..."

RUSSIA AND THE KINGS OF THE EAST

Russian Surveillance Aircraft Spotted Near Alaskan Air Space

August 12, 2022 -- *Voice of America News* reports: "The U.S. military says Russian military surveillance aircraft entered the Alaskan Air Defense Identification Zone on two separate occasions over the past two days.

U.S. F-22 fighter jets intercepted the second aircraft upon entering the airspace, a defense official told *VOA*. Both entries involved the same type of Russian surveillance aircraft, the official added.

An Air Defense Identification Zone extends beyond a country's airspace to include an area in which a country tries to identify, locate and control aircraft in the interest of national security.

The Russian aircraft remained in international airspace and did not enter American or Canadian sovereign airspace, according to social media posts by North American Aerospace Defense Command, or NORAD, on Wednesday.

'We remain ready to employ a number of response options in defense of North America and Arctic sovereignty,' the post added...' **(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 report.)**

Nuclear drill in Ukraine 'to prepare for all scenarios'

August 18, 2022 -- *SpaceWar.com* reports: "Ukraine must 'prepare for all scenarios' linked to a Russian-occupied nuclear plant, the interior minister has said during a drill for emergency workers in the nearby city of Zaporizhzhia.

Moscow and Kyiv have accused each other of shelling the Zaporizhzhia plant, the biggest atomic power station in Europe, which has been under Russian

control since March.

The tensions around the facility have sparked fears of another nuclear disaster in Europe like the one in Chernobyl in then Soviet Ukraine in 1986.

'Nobody could have predicted that Russian troops would be firing on nuclear reactors with tanks. It is incredible,' Interior Minister Denys Monastyrsky said in the Ukrainian-held city of Zaporizhzhia, 50 kilometres (31 miles) from the plant.

After watching a nuclear accident drill on Wednesday, he said Ukraine should be prepared since 'as long as the Zaporizhzhia nuclear plant is controlled by Russia, there are major risks'..."

Russia vows to expand relations with North Korea

August 15, 2022 -- *BBC.com* reports: "Russia has vowed to 'expand [its] comprehensive and constructive bilateral relations' with North Korea, said its President Vladimir Putin.

In a letter sent to his counterpart Kim Jong un on Pyongyang's liberation day,

Mr. Putin said the move would be in both countries' interests.

In turn, Mr. Kim said friendship between both nations had been forged in World War II with victory over Japan. He added that their 'comradely friendship' would grow stronger.

According to a report by North Korean state media outlet *KCNA*, Mr. Putin said the expanded bilateral relations would 'conform with the interests of the two countries'..." **(Russia in Bible prophecy is the main instigator of death and suffering during Armageddon and the Kings of the East [China, North Korea, etc.] will become basic partners with them 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].)**

North Korea rejects Seoul's aid offer as 'height of absurdity'

August 19, 2022 -- *SpaceWar.com* reports: "The powerful sister of North Korean leader Kim Jong Un on Friday rejected Seoul's offer of economic assistance in return for denuclearisation steps, calling it the 'height of absurdity' and a deal Pyongyang would never accept.

The statement follows South Korean President Yoon Suk-yeol this week putting forward an 'audacious' aid plan

that would include food, energy and infrastructure help in return for the North abandoning its nuclear weapons programme.

Analysts previously said the chances of Pyongyang accepting such a deal — first floated during Yoon's inaugural speech — were vanishingly slim, as the North, which invests an enormous chunk of its GDP into weapons programmes, has long made it clear it will not make that trade.

Kim Jong Un's sister, Yo Jong, on Friday called Yoon's offer the 'height of absurdity', claiming it was as realistic as creating 'mulberry fields in the dark blue ocean'.

'To think that the plan to barter 'economic cooperation' for our honor, (our) nukes, is the great dream, hope and plan of Yoon, we came to realize that he is really simple and still childish,' she said in a statement carried by the official *Korea Central News Agency*..." **(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.)**

Chinese fighter jets and warships crossed median line, says Taiwan

August 5, 2022 -- *SinoDaily.com* reports: "Taipei's military said Chinese fighter jets and ships crossed the median line that runs down the Taiwan Strait on

Friday, calling Beijing's latest military drills 'highly provocative'.

'As of 11am, multiple batches of Chinese warplanes and warships conducted exercises around the Taiwan Strait and crossed the median line of the strait,' the defence ministry said in a statement.

'This Chinese military exercise, whether it be the launch of ballistic missiles or the deliberate crossing of the median line of the strait, is a highly provocative act.'

The median line is an unofficial but once largely adhered-to border that runs down the middle of the Taiwan Strait, which separates Taiwan and China.

China has been holding huge drills encircling Taiwan since Thursday to protest this week's visit to the island by U.S. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi.

It was previously rare for military jets and ships to cross the median line, although Chinese incursions have become more common after Beijing declared in 2020 that the unofficial border no longer existed..." **(China is prophesied to be a top contender and bloody warrior during the battle of Armageddon – Revelation 16:16. Revelation 16:12 pictures Kings coming to the Middle East, primarily China, to slay a third-part of mankind in atomic warfare. Revelation 9:14 – 18 the Oriental nations from the East join with Russia – the leader from the North – Daniel 11:44 – for the most horrendous war in history. See the next report.)**

Chinese ship leaves Sri Lanka after riling India, U.S.

August 23, 2022 -- *SpaceWar.com* reports: "A Chinese research vessel accused by India and the United States of spying activities left Sri Lanka's Chinese-run port of Hambantota on Monday after a week-long stay.

Colombo allowed the Yuan Wang 5 to visit the deep-sea port on the condition that it would not engage in research in Sri Lankan waters.

Both India and the U.S. had raised security concerns over the ship's visit to Sri Lanka, with New Delhi lodging a complaint — a move that delayed the visit by a week before Colombo announced a U-turn.

‘Our pilot is onboard and the ship is leaving port,’ a harbour official told *AFP* as the vessel was being guided out by tug boats...”

China warns it will not tolerate Taiwan ‘separatists’

August 10, 2022 -- *SinoDaily.com* reports: “China on Wednesday vowed zero tolerance for ‘separatist activities’ in Taiwan and reaffirmed that it would take the self-ruled island by force if necessary.

The warning from Beijing, which considers Taiwan its territory, came after days of unprecedented Chinese military drills around the island sparked by U.S. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi’s trip.

Pelosi last week became the highest-ranking U.S. official to visit Taiwan in decades despite stark threats from China, which tries to keep Taipei isolated on the world stage.

China’s Taiwan Affairs Office on Wednesday issued a white paper laying out how it intends to claim the island through a range of economic incentives and military pressure.

‘We are ready to create vast space for peaceful reunification, but we will leave no room for separatist activities in any form,’ said the paper...” (A **March 19, 2021 article in *The New York Times* – [Tense Talks With China Left U.S. ‘Cleareyed’ About Beijing’s Intentions, Officials Say](https://www.nytimes.com/2021/03/19/world/asia/china-us-alaska.html) <https://www.nytimes.com/2021/03/19/world/asia/china-us-alaska.html> states: “Just as Washington’s views on China have shifted after years of encouraging the country’s economic integration, so have Beijing’s perceptions of the United States and the privileged place in the world that it has long held. The Americans, in their view, no longer have an overwhelming reservoir of global influence, nor the power to wield it against China.**

That has made China more confident in pursuing its aims openly and unabashedly — from human rights issues in Hong Kong and Xinjiang to territorial disputes with India and Japan and others in the South China Sea to, most contentiously of all, the fate of Taiwan, the self-governing

democracy that China claims as its own.

While China still faces enormous challenges at home and around the world, its leaders now act as if history is on their side.” See the next report.)

No threat could shake Taiwanese resolve to defend island

August 23, 2022 -- *SinoDaily.com* reports: “President Tsai Ing-wen said Tuesday that Taiwanese people remained resolved to defend the island following China’s huge military drills.

Tensions in the Taiwan Strait have risen to their highest in years since Beijing staged unprecedented drills in retaliation for U.S. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi’s visit to Taipei earlier this month.

Tsai made the remarks when meeting a visiting delegation of U.S. scholars on the 64th anniversary of a Chinese artillery attack known as the ‘823 bombardment’.

‘That battle to protect our homeland showed the world that no threat of any kind could shake the Taiwanese people’s resolve to defend their nation — not in the past, not now, and not in the future,’ Tsai said.

China’s army fired 470,000 shells at Kinmen Islands and nearby islets in 1958, killing 618 people in an attack that lasted 44 days.

Taiwan lives under constant threat of an invasion by China, which claims the self-ruled democracy as part of its territory to be seized one day — by force if necessary...”

Japan mulls long-range missile upgrades due to China threat

August 22, 2022 -- *SpaceWar.com* reports: “Japan is considering the deployment of more than 1,000 long-range cruise missiles to increase its ability to counter growing regional threats from China, local newspaper *Yomiuri Shimbun* reported on Sunday.

The country plans to upgrade its existing surface-to-ship missiles to extend their range from 100 kilometres (62 miles) to about 1,000 kilometres (620 miles), which would be enough to reach Chinese coastal areas as well as

North Korea, the newspaper reported, citing unnamed sources.

Upgrades would also need to be made to allow Japan’s existing ships and aircraft to be able to fire the new missiles, which could hit land-based targets, the newspaper reported.

The missiles would be deployed in and around the southwestern Kyushu region and on the small islands that dot Japan’s southwestern waters near Taiwan, *Yomiuri* reported...” (China and North Korea are prophesied to be top contenders and bloody warriors during the battle of Armageddon – Revelation 16:16. Revelation 16:12 pictures Kings coming to the Middle East, primarily China and North Korea to slay a third-part of mankind in atomic warfare. Revelation 9:14 – 18 the Oriental nations from the East join with Russia – the leader from the North – Daniel 11:44 – for the most horrendous war in history. See the next report.)

More ‘Unsafe’ Encounters Between Australian and Chinese Forces Near Disputed South China Sea Region

August 24, 2022 -- *Voice of America News* reports: “Australia’s new Air Force Chief has said surveillance missions would continue in the South China Sea despite a ‘recent spate of unsafe incidences’ in the contested region.

In May, a Royal Australian Air Force surveillance plane was intercepted by a Chinese fighter jet in international air space claimed by Beijing in the South China Sea region.

At the time, officials in Canberra accused Beijing, Australia’s biggest trading partner, of intimidation.

Since then, bilateral ties have been strained in recent years over various geo-political, diplomatic and trade disputes.

And there have been other as-yet unspecified encounters with Chinese forces, according to Air Marshal Robert Chipman, who became the new chief of the Australian air force in July 2022...”