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## **'Israel will not give up Jerusalem'**

*November 9, 2017* Arutz Sheva 7 reported: "Dr. Dore Gold, president of the Jerusalem Center for Public Affairs and former Israeli Ambassador to the United Nations, testified on Wednesday before members of the House Oversight Committee's National Security Subcommittee during a hearing entitled, 'Moving the American embassy in Israel to Jerusalem: Challenges and opportunities.'"

The hearing was attended by John Bolton, the former United States Ambassador to the United Nations, and by members of Congress from both parties.

'It is my view that President Donald Trump has made a commitment regarding the transfer of the U.S. embassy to Jerusalem and I believe he will stand by what he has said. Indeed, on June 1 the White House released a statement stressing with regard to moving the embassy, 'The question is not if that move happens but only when,' said Dr. Gold, who added, 'Israel will never give up Jerusalem. This was Israel's choice and Jerusalem will continue to be the capital of Israel.'

'In my opinion, the transfer of the embassy will only bring the possibility of a diplomatic solution closer,' Gold stressed. He also noted that Israel has done more to ensure religious freedom in Jerusalem and protect the city's holy sites than anyone else. 'Jerusalem before was a mess,' Gold said, adding that Israel has to protect Jerusalem for 'all peoples and all faiths. Only a free and democratic Israel will protect the holy sites of all the great faiths in Jerusalem,' he said..."

## **US carriers in rare Pacific op amid N. Korea tensions**

*November 9, 2017* spacedaily.com reported: "Three US aircraft carriers will stage joint drills in the western Pacific for the first time in a decade, the US Navy said Thursday, as tensions in the region over North Korea reach fever pitch.

The USS Ronald Reagan, USS Nimitz and USS Theodore Roosevelt will conduct "coordinated operations in international waters", the navy said, as US President Donald Trump's high-stakes trip through Asia takes him to China.

The operation shows Washington's "ironclad commitment to the continued security and stability of the region," said Scott Swift, commander of the US Pacific Fleet, in a statement.

On Wednesday, Trump warned North Korea not to "try" the United States but appeared to moderate his bellicose tone somewhat, offering Pyongyang's young leader Kim Jong-Un a "path to a better future."..."



## **Europe urges US Congress not to torpedo Iran deal**

*November 8, 2017* SpaceDaily.com reports: "EU foreign policy Chief Federica Mogherini warned Tuesday that the Iran nuclear deal can never be renegotiated, as she urged US lawmakers not to try to reopen the agreement. Her visit coincided with that of the head of the UN nuclear watchdog, IAEA director general Yukiya Amano, who defended his agency's ability to monitor Iran's compliance with the accord.

President Donald Trump has told Congress that he can no longer 'certify' that the 2015 accord is in the US national interest, leaving its fate in the hands of skeptical senators.

Mogherini, therefore, came to Washington — while Trump and her opposite number Secretary of State Rex Tillerson were touring Asia — to sit down with legislators on Capitol Hill. While she insisted Brussels does not want to interfere in Washington politics, she sent a clear message that Europe opposes any new US law that would breach the terms of the deal..."

## **Saudis, Iran on path to 'very, very bloody' war**

*November 8, 2017* WND.com reported: "While the world tries to interpret Saudi Arabia's moves to clamp down on corruption and watches the kingdom accuse Iran of an 'act of war,' a former Reagan administration Pentagon official says Saudi Arabia is gearing up for the very real possibility of a 'very, very bloody' war with Iran.

Within the past several days, Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman, who is next in line to the Saudi throne, has ordered the arrests of many government officials, including 11 princes, on allegations of corruption. More recently, the crown prince accused Iran of an 'act of war' after Iranian-backed Houthi rebels in Yemen launched an Iranian missile toward the Saudi capital of Riyadh.

The Houthis admit firing the missile, and Saudi investigators say the fragments prove the missile is from Iran. Furthermore, the Saudi-friendly prime minister of Lebanon abruptly resigned, and many other elements of the Lebanese government are loyal to the Shiite regime in Iran.

So are the events of the past week just the latest developments in an unstable region or something far more significant? Frank Gaffney is president of the Center for Security Policy, and he served as an assistant secretary of defense in the Reagan administration. He said these recent events are very significant.

'Something is moving, for sure,' Gaffney told WND and Radio America. 'I think this is a lot bigger than chess pieces. I think this is nothing less than tectonic shifts taking place throughout the region.'..."

## **Blaming Iran, Saudis Say Huthi Strike May be 'Act of War'**

*November 7, 2017* Breitbart.com reports: "Saudi Arabia and Iran traded fierce accusations over Yemen on Monday, with Riyadh saying a rebel missile attack 'may amount to an act of war' and Tehran accusing its rival of war crimes.

Tensions have been rising between Sunni-ruled Saudi Arabia and predominantly Shiite Iran, which are opposed in disputes and conflicts across the Middle East from Yemen and Syria to Qatar and Lebanon.

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On Monday, a Saudi-led military coalition battling Tehran-backed rebels in Yemen said it reserved the 'right to respond' to the missile attack on Riyadh at the weekend, calling it a 'blatant military aggression by the Iranian regime which may amount to an act of war'. Saudi Foreign Minister Adel al-Jubeir also warned Tehran.

'Iranian interventions in the region are detrimental to the security of neighbouring countries and affect international peace and security. We will not allow any infringement on our national security,' Jubeir tweeted...."

### **'Ebola' outbreak DECLARED amid Black Death comeback – and this virus is UNTREATABLE**

*November 7, 2017* [dailystar.co.uk](http://dailystar.co.uk) reported: "The outbreak of a deadly virus similar to Ebola – the fatal fever that struck west Africa – has been confirmed in the continent. Marburg, which kills up to 88% of people it strikes, has killed two people in Uganda and is now feared to have spread to another three. A team of experts have been scrambled to the Kween district to contain the virus amid fears it will become a serious epidemic.

The virus is from the same family as Ebola, and causes bleeding, fever, vomiting and diarrhoea. It can be spread through bites from either fruit bats or monkeys, and can be passed from human-to-human through semen and blood. However, it can also be passed through coming into contact with contaminated clothing and bedsheets, the World Health Organization warns.

There is currently no treatment of the virus. According to local reports the two people who died of Marburg recently were brother and sister. But fears have soared after it emerged another three are suspected of contracting the virus, one of whom has disappeared after refusing to go to hospital. And more worryingly, it is feared several hundred people have come into contact with the five victims. "..."

### **Japanese Leader Echoes Trump on North Korea: 'All Options are On the Table'**

*November 6, 2017* [voanews.com](http://voanews.com) reported: "Japan's prime minister, standing alongside the U.S. president, borrowed a Donald Trump phrase on Monday, agreeing that 'all options are on the table' when it comes to responding to North Korea's weapons development.

Abe, at a news conference with Trump at the Akasaka Palace in Tokyo, said there is 'no point in dialogue for the sake of dialogue with North Korea' and the time has come to exert maximum pressure on Pyongyang. Abe and Trump, following a second day of meetings, confirmed that North Korea has been the dominant topic of their discussions.

The U.S. president called Pyongyang's pursuit of the ability to place a nuclear warhead on an intercontinental ballistic missile 'a threat to the civilized world and international peace and stability.'

### **Iran's nuclear chief says weapons-grade uranium only 4 days away**

*October 30, 2017* [timesofisrael.com](http://timesofisrael.com) reported: "Iran's nuclear program chief said Sunday that his country can begin producing weapons-grade nuclear material in just four days if the nuclear deal with foreign powers falls through, and insisted that international inspectors will not be given access to closed Iranian military sites.



Ali Akbar Salehi, the head of the Iranian Atomic Energy Organization, said that while Tehran prefers to keep the landmark nuclear agreement intact the Fordo site can quickly begin ramping up uranium enrichment.

'We can produce 20% (enriched uranium) at Fordo in four days but we don't want the nuclear deal to collapse,' Salehi told reporters, according to an English translation of his comments provided by the semi-official Fars news agency. He spoke to media after a joint press conference with the visiting director of the International Atomic Energy Agency, Yukiya Amano, in Tehran..."

### **Kissinger: All of Asia Should Get Ready for Nuclear War**

*October 29, 2017* [Newsweek](http://Newsweek) reported: "In a recent interview with The New York Times, former Secretary of State and Cold War strategist Henry R. Kissinger warned that East Asia is racing towards nuclear proliferation.

The controversial former diplomat--whose critics charge with aiding and abetting military regimes in Latin America during his time as part of the Nixon Administration—said that a nuclear-armed North Korea is about to kickstart an arms race in which "nuclear weapons" will "spread in the rest of Asia."

"It cannot be that North Korea is the only Korean country in the world that has nuclear weapons, without the South Koreans trying to match it. Nor can it be that Japan will sit there," he said. "So therefore we're talking about nuclear proliferation."

Kissinger's comments come as the threat of a nuclear North Korea has put South Korean and Japan on edge..."

### **Mattis warns 'massive' response to North Korea nuclear weapon use**

*October 29, 2017* [SpaceDaily.com](http://SpaceDaily.com) reports: "US Secretary of Defense Jim Mattis on Saturday warned North Korea of a 'massive military response' to any use of nuclear weapons as tensions remain sky-high ahead of Donald Trump's visit to South Korea. Pyongyang in recent months has sparked global alarm by conducting a sixth nuclear test and test-launching missiles capable of reaching the US mainland, while Trump and the North's young ruler Kim Jong-Un have traded threats of war and personal insults.

Mattis, on a trip to Seoul for annual defence talks, maintained that diplomacy remained a 'preferred course of action' but stressed, 'our diplomats are most effective when backed by credible military force'.

'Make no mistake — any attack on the United States or our allies will be defeated,' Mattis said at a joint press conference with his South Korean counterpart Song Young-Moo.

'Any use of nuclear weapons by the North will be met with a massive military response, effective and overwhelming,' Mattis said, adding Washington 'does not accept a nuclear North Korea. I cannot imagine a condition under which the United States will accept North Korea as a nuclear power,' he said..."

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