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## FM: ISRAEL WILL ACT ON IRAN AS IT DID ON IRAQ, SYRIA

*November 15, 2012* The Jerusalem Post reported: "Israel will handle the Iranian threat the same way it dealt with similar threats from Iraq and Syria, Foreign Minister Avigdor Liberman said on Wednesday.

Liberman was referencing the 1981 Israeli strike on Iraq's Osirak nuclear reactor and the 2007 attack on Syria's nuclear core at Deir al-Zor. Israel has never officially acknowledged bombing the Syrian core although it has been widely reported to have been behind the attack.

Israel 'knows how to act' to prevent Iran from obtaining a nuclear bomb, he said. The public should leave the decision on how and when to act to decision-makers, the foreign minister said. 'If you want to shoot, shoot. Don't talk,' he added.

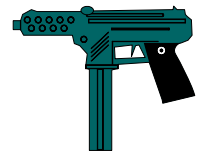
Liberman was speaking to students at the Ariel University Center, where he also asserted that the best defense against Gazan rocket attacks against southern Israel was IDF attacks on the Strip.

He slammed the international community, saying it could not be trusted to help Israel if major violence broke out.

'Anyone who trusts the international community should look at its failure to stop 22 months of Syrian violence, with 40,000 dead,' he said..."

## TOP GENERAL WARNS: AFRICAN AL-QAEDA TO 'EXPORT' VIOLENCE TO US

*November 15, 2012* Arutz Sheva reported: "Top United States General Carter Ham urged a global fight against the Al-Qaeda terrorist group based in Africa on Wednesday, saying it could 'export violence' to the West, AFP reported. Ham, the head of the U.S. Africa Command, reaffirmed the suspicion that the Al-Qaeda in Islamic Maghreb (AQIM) was linked to the deadly September 11 attack on the American mission in Benghazi, which resulted in the murder of U.S. ambassador to Libya Christopher Stevens and three others.



'If we, the international community, don't find a way to help the Africans address this threat, it's going to worsen,' he said.

'That network will become stronger and they will gain capability to export violence throughout a broader region (other) than Africa and certainly the high potential to export violence into Europe and to the USA,' he added.

Ham said while the network did not pose an 'imminent threat' on US soil, it did so for U.S. interests worldwide."..."

## IN EUROPE, ANGRY WORKERS PROTEST AUSTERITY

*November 14, 2012* VOANew.com reported: "Workers in several European countries went on strike Wednesday to protest austerity measures designed to help their governments get out of debt, but which cut their salaries, pensions and benefits.

Angry workers chanted "strike, strike" inside Madrid's main train station as they scuffled with police. Outside, workers blew whistles and set off firecrackers, as commuters rode by, many on bicycles for the day.

Commuter and inter-city trains were canceled in several countries, along with flights and other forms of transport, while government services and some businesses also went idle.

"They are taking all our rights away," complained a Spanish union member who spoke for many of his co-workers. "The banks and other business people are bringing us onto the streets, they are stealing our salaries. We do not have any rights anymore."

French Prime Minister Jean-Marc Ayrault admonished workers to be patient in what is a global crisis, and said what is at stake is nothing less than the identity of the French nation.

"Today, this social model is in danger. There are many things to correct, to change, to modernize and to reform. And France will reclaim somehow its freedom and its autonomy," Ayrault said.

The one-day strike was called by the European Trade Union Confederation, which has called for more fairness as European countries work their way out of debt. The strike drew large numbers of workers in economically hard-hit Spain and Portugal, with less-widespread strikes in France, Italy, Belgium and Greece, which has seen large protests this week over its government's latest austerity program."..."

## EGYPT RECALLS ISRAEL AMBASSADOR AFTER GAZA RAID

*November 14, 2012* SpaceWar.com reported: "President Mohamed Morsi on Wednesday recalled Egypt's ambassador to Israel after a series of air strikes in Gaza killed a top Hamas militant and six other Palestinians. Morsi decided to "recall Egypt's ambassador to Israel," his spokesman Yassir Ali said in a statement broadcast on state television.

He also ordered the foreign ministry to summon Israel's ambassador in Cairo and asked the Arab League, based in Cairo, to convene an emergency meeting of foreign ministers.

The Arab League's deputy chief Ahmed Ben Hilli said the ministers will convene in Cairo on Saturday. Egypt, which in 1979 became the

first Arab country to sign a peace treaty with Israel, previously withdrew its ambassador after a Palestinian uprising that began in 2000, when president Hosni Mubarak was still in power.”..”

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### **IRAN UNVEILS NEW MISSILE SYSTEMS DURING ARMY DRILLS**

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*November 13, 2012* The Jerusalem Post reported: “Iran unveiled new missile and artillery systems on Tuesday, Iranian media reported, on the second day of large-scale military exercises which officials said were aimed at sending a warning to those threatening the Islamic Republic. Played out against a backdrop of high tension between Iran and the West over Tehran's nuclear program, the ‘Velayat 4’ maneuvers across a vast swathe of the eastern half of the country have focused on air defenses.

Israel has threatened to strike Iran's nuclear sites if diplomacy and Western sanctions fail to stop the country's atomic program, which the United States and its allies believe is aimed at developing an atomic bomb, a charge Tehran denies.

The three domestically-built missile and artillery systems would be a significant boost to Iran's military defenses, said Farzad Esmaili, head of Iran's air defense headquarters.

‘The low-altitude missile system ‘Ya Zahra 3’ is completely indigenous and Iranian and has been designed and produced to suit internal needs,’ Esmaili was quoted as saying by the Iranian Students' News Agency (ISNA).

He said the second missile system named ‘Qader’ was highly mobile and could be deployed in less than 30 minutes, while a new artillery system named ‘Safat’ could escape detection by enemy surveillance...”

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### **EGYPT’S CONSTITUTION DRAFT BASED ON ISLAM**

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*November 13, 2012* Israel National News reported: “Egypt’s Muslim Brotherhood-led government is suggesting that the country’s new constitution be based on the principles of Islam. The Muslim Brotherhood’s website published on Monday the draft of the new constitution, which was put together by a special committee numbering 100 members, the majority of which are members of the Muslim Brotherhood and the Salafist parties.

According to the draft, translated by Arab affairs expert Dalit Halevi, the main clauses in the new constitution are:

‘[Sunni] Islam is the religion of the state, Arabic is the official language and the principles of Islamic law are the main source for legislation.’

‘The principles of the religion of the Christians and the Jews are the main source of legislation for the personal and religious affairs and for the purpose of choosing their spiritual leaders.’

‘The Al-Azhar (considered the highest authority in Sunni Islam) is an independent Islamic institution ... whose purpose is to spread the message of Islam and religion. All residents are equal before the law ... there shall not be discrimination because of sex, origin, language, religion, belief, opinion, social status or disability. The state ensures the freedom of religious worship of monotheistic religions in accordance with the law.’

The draft also notes that ‘freedom of opinion is guaranteed, and should not hurt the Prophet of Prophets.’...”

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### **RED FLAG OVER THE ATLANTIC**

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*November 5, 2012* The National Review reported: “On June 27, a plane carrying Wen Jiabao made a “technical” stop on the island of Terceira, in the Azores. Following an official greeting by Alamo Meneses, the regional secretary of environment of the sea, the Chinese premier spent four hours touring the remote Portuguese outpost in the middle of the Atlantic Ocean.

Wen’s Terceira walkabout, which followed a four-nation visit to South America, largely escaped notice at the time, but alarm bells should have immediately gone off in Washington and in European capitals. For one thing, Wen’s last official stop on the trip was Santiago, the capital of Chile. Flights from Chile to China normally cross the Pacific, not the Atlantic, so there was no reason for his plane to be near the Azores. Moreover, those who visit the Azores generally favor other islands in the out-of-the-way chain.

Terceira, however, has one big attraction for Beijing: Air Base No. 4. Better known as Lajes Field, the facility where Premier Wen’s 747 landed in June is jointly operated by the U.S. Air Force and its Portuguese counterpart. If China controlled the base, the Atlantic would no longer be secure.

From the 10,865-foot runway on the northeast edge of the island, Chinese planes could patrol the northern and central portions of the Atlantic and thereby cut air and sea traffic between the U.S. and Europe. Beijing would also be able to deny access to the nearby Mediterranean Sea.

And China could target the American homeland. Lajes is less than 2,300 miles from New York, shorter than the distance between Pearl Harbor and Los Angeles.”..”

