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## ISRAEL 'FOILS' HAMAS CELL PLANNING JERUSALEM ATTACKS'

*November 27, 2014* BBC News reported: "Israel's internal security service says it has uncovered a Hamas cell in the West Bank that was planning to carry out a series of attacks in Jerusalem.

Shin Bet said it had arrested more than 30 militants who were trained abroad, and recovered weapons and explosives. They planned to kidnap Israelis and their targets for attack included a football stadium in Jerusalem and the city's light rail system, it alleged.

The arrests come at a time of rising Israeli-Palestinians tension.

Over the past month, 11 Israelis have been killed by Palestinians, including four rabbis and a policeman who were stabbed and shot at a synagogue in Jerusalem last week. Twelve Palestinians have also been killed, including several of those who carried out the attacks.

Shin Bet said the militants whose arrests were revealed on Thursday had plotted to attack Jerusalem's Teddy Stadium and a tram, as well as carry out car bombings and kidnap Israelis in the West Bank and overseas.

The suspects - who include a number of Palestinians from the West Bank, two Jordanians and a Kuwaiti - had received orders from Hamas officials based in Turkey, it added..."

## NATO 'VERY CONCERNED' BY RUSSIAN MILITARY BUILD-UP IN CRIMEA

*November 27, 2014* spacedaily.com reported: "NATO's top military commander warned Wednesday that Russia's "militarisation" of the annexed Crimea region could be used by Moscow to exert control across the whole Black Sea region.

"We are very concerned with the militarisation of Crimea," US General Philip Breedlove told a press conference in Kiev.

"The capabilities that are being installed in Crimea will bring an effect on almost the entire Black Sea."

Breedlove, the commander of American forces in Europe, said that cruise and surface-to-air missiles installed on the peninsula, which Russia seized from Ukraine in March, would be "able to exert influence" over the strategic region. He said that the US-led alliance was "watching for indications" amid fears over the possibility that Russia could move any of its nuclear arsenal to Crimea.

Russia's defence ministry said Wednesday that it had deployed a batch of 14 military jets to Crimea, as part of a squadron of 30 that will be stationed on the peninsula.

Breedlove was in Kiev for high-level talks with Ukraine's leaders over the crisis that has sent the West's relations with Moscow to their lowest ebb since the Cold War.

Ukraine has stirred fresh Russian ire by stating it hopes to join the Western security bloc in the face of Russia's alleged backing for a separatist conflict that has cost over 4,300 lives since April. There seems little chance of the ex-Soviet state actually joining NATO anytime soon as secure borders and reforms to its ill-equipped army would usually be a prerequisite.

Breedlove said that the alliance was providing training for Ukraine's forces that will bring them closer to "NATO tactics, techniques and procedures" but insisted that any decision on the country becoming a member was for political leaders..."

## SARKOZY COMES OUT AGAINST PALESTINE RECOGNITION

*November 26, 2014* The Times Of Israel reported: "Former French president Nicholas Sarkozy on Tuesday urged the members of his UMP party to oppose a resolution to recognize the state of Palestine.

Sarkozy condemned the unilateral measure, which is set to be presented for a parliamentary vote on December 2, in the wake of the 'heinous and bloody' Har Nof terror attack last week in which five Israelis were killed.

'I will fight for the Palestinians to have their state. But unilateral recognition a few days after a deadly attack and when there is no peace process? No!' he said at a political rally. Sarkozy said he would never accept a resolution that would 'call into question the security of Israel.'

'This is the fight of my life,' he said..."

On Tuesday, Dutch Foreign Minister Bert Koenders said the Netherlands would not recognize a Palestinian state in the near future, since the move would not advance peace.

"We find that it is not correct to recognize the Palestinian state. It must be a part of negotiations. In that sense, it should be introduced at a strategic moment," he said.

On Sunday, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu warned that France's parliament would be making a "grave mistake" if it recognizes a



Palestinian state in a vote on December 2.”...”

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## **INDONESIA BATTLES ISLAMIC STATE RECRUITMENT**

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*November 26, 2014* VOA News reported: “Indonesia says it is continuing its efforts to prevent more of its citizens from joining the Islamic State militants.

An official at the Terrorism Management National Agency, Wawan Purwanto, told VOA that 300 citizens had joined the radical group so far, with 60 reported dead. He said their ages ranged from 17 to 25 and that they were from various parts of Indonesia.

He said they were all recruited by IS sympathizers in Indonesia who have been categorized as radicals. According to Wawan, Indonesian recruits who left for Syria received allowances of \$1,500 for accommodations and transportation.

‘Before their departures from ... Surabaya, they already had complete travel documents,’ he said. ‘And in Malaysia, someone made all the needed arrangements for them to go to Turkey. Then in Istanbul, they began their training in the field, such as recognizing who the enemies are and learning about the weather conditions of the country.’

Wawan added that all had undergone military training by radical groups that have had fighting experience in Afghanistan and the Philippines...”

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## **AYATOLLAH KHAMENEI: ISIL SERVING US, ISRAEL'S INTERESTS**

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*November 25, 2014* The Fars News Agency reported: “Supreme Leader of the Islamic Revolution Ayatollah Seyed Ali Khamenei described the ISIL terrorist group as just a branch of the Takfiri stream which has troubled the region, and said ISIL is serving the US and Israel's interests.

Addressing the political and religious figures participating in the 'International Congress on Takfiri Streams in the Eyes of the Islamic Ulema' in Tehran on Tuesday, Ayatollah Khamenei described the Takfiri stream as a problem imposed by the arrogant powers on the region in line with the US and Israel's interests, and said the Takfiri stream should be considered as a phenomenon beyond the ISIL as the terrorist group is only a branch of the Takfiri stream.

‘The Takfiri stream and the governments which support it completely move in line with the goals of the arrogant powers, meaning the US, the hegemonic European governments and the Zionist regime, and are practically at their service under an Islamic disguise,’ he added...”

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## **MUSLIM TERROR ARMY EYES EXPANSION TO CHRISTIAN LANDS**

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*November 24, 2014* WND.com reported: “The Muslim jihadist group Boko Haram is eyeing a new offensive that would target Nigeria’s predominantly Christian south, according to Africa analysts.



Yan St-Pierre of the Berlin-based intelligence firm MOSECON, which monitors Boko Haram, said evidence indicates the group has been laying the groundwork for such a move.

‘We call it national-park hopping. They’ve been using the national parks as cover for moves down south. This is what we expect them to be doing. They’re going where the money is in Nigeria,’ St-Pierre said. The targets are the nation’s oil and its centers of financial power: Port Harcourt, Kalaba, Lagos and Abuja.

‘They’re very slowly setting up these places to operate while everyone focuses on the major attacks. They’re trying to go for the big homeland down south in Nigeria,’ St-Pierre said.

International Christian Concern Africa analyst Cameron Thomas said Boko Haram attacks in the more populous south will inevitably produce more casualties.

‘I see Boko Haram mounting a series of attacks in places like Abuja and Lagos with the potential to inflict a great many casualties,’ Thomas said...”

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## **HEZBOLLAH CLAIMS 'PINPOINT' IRANIAN MISSILES ADDED TO ITS ARSENAL**

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*November 24, 2014* The Christian Science Monitor reported: “On the eve of a deadline in nuclear talks between six world powers and Iran, Lebanon’s militant Shiite Hezbollah organization has revealed that it has acquired advanced Iranian missiles with ‘pinpoint accuracy’ that it could use against Israel in any future war.

‘They [the Israelis] are well aware that Hezbollah is in possession of missiles with pinpoint accuracy, and thanks to the equipment Hezbollah acquired, and with the Islamic Republic’s support and Hezbollah’s readiness for any future war, [the next] war will be much tougher for the Israelis,’ Naim Qassem, the deputy head of Hezbollah, said in an interview with Iran’s Tasnim news agency.

Sheikh Qassem’s comments on Hezbollah’s enhanced missile capabilities and the threat they pose to Israel came amid waning hopes that a deal could be struck by a Monday deadline in Vienna between Iran and the five permanent members of the United Nations Security Council – Britain, China, France, Russia and the United States plus Germany, the so-called P5+1.

The six leading nations want Iran to curb its uranium enrichment capacity, which could be used to make nuclear weapons, in exchange for a lifting of international sanctions...”