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RUSSIA WILL KNOCK OUT US MISSILE SHIELD INSTALLATIONS IF ATTACKED

July 23, 2015 spacedaily.com reported: "If attacked, Russia will respond with retaliatory strikes at US missile defense installations wherever they may be in the world, Russia's former Strategic Missile Forces' commander warned on Tuesday.

"Any military facility of the US global missile shield will become a primary target of a Russian counterattack in the event of a military aggression against this country," Viktor Yesin told RIA Novosti news agency.

The deployment of US missile defenses in Europe under the pretext of protecting America's European allies against an imaginary missile attack by Iran has been a major irritant in US-Russia relations.

Washington insists the European missile shield is not aimed against Russia, but refuses to provide any legal guarantees to Moscow that its missile defense systems in Europe are not directed at Russia's strategic nuclear deterrent."

IRANIAN TEXTBOOKS TEACH WAR AGAINST US, WEST

July 23, 2015 Arutz Sheva reported: "Iranian school textbooks, like those of other nations, imbue youngsters with their countries' most important values. In Iran, studies show, this means apocalyptic war and victory over the USA and the West.

Ambassador (ret.) Yoram Ettinger, an expert on Middle Eastern affairs who served in the past as liaison between Israel and the U.S. Congress, notes this sample: In a 12th grade textbook entitled The Qur'an and Life, p. 125, Iranian high school seniors learn of the Ayatollahs' sublime goal: the battle against the USA and other 'arrogant oppressors of the world,' led by 'idolatrous devils' – a battle that is already raging throughout the world, awaiting the students' sacrifice.

Iranian affairs expert Prof. Eldad Pardo of Hebrew University in Jerusalem has researched Iran's school textbooks over the last 10 years. He published a report this past May for the Institute of Monitoring Peace and Tolerance in School Education (IMPACT-SE), in which he wrote, 'Iran has created a war curriculum to prepare an entire generation for global war, based on Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini's vision of collective martyrdom... The battle between the new Islamic (Iranian) civilization and the evil Western civilization is seen as one between good and evil, and is being waged on a global scale.... The school textbooks prepare the Iranian people for a constant state of emergency, requiring Iranians to foment revolutions throughout the world...'

Ettinger calls upon the US Congress to hold hearings on this educational phenomenon, especially considering that 'school textbooks are considered by the Ayatollahs a critical means to mobilize the youth, charting the roadmap to the final military victory over the infidel USA and the West. Hence, the crucial relevance of school textbooks to the Congressional debate on' the nuclear agreement with Iran..."

NEW MIDEAST: NOW EGYPT FLIRTING WITH IRAN

July 23, 2015 World Net Daily reported: "The nuclear deal between Iran and world powers may see Egypt, a longtime U.S. ally, shift closer to the Iranian axis and away from the Sunni Arab coalition of countries like Saudi Arabia and Jordan.

Despite billions in Saudi financial contributions to Egypt in recent months, the Egyptian government opened a new dialogue with Saudi arch-foe Iran following the nuclear deal signed in Vienna two weeks ago, Middle Eastern defense sources told WND.

The dialogue is aimed at possible mutual regional cooperation. The sources said the Egyptians further risked drawing Saudi ire by inviting a delegation this week from the party of Yemen's former president, Ali Abdullah Saleh, who is in formal alliance with the Houthi rebel fighters targeting Saudi Arabia from Yemen..."

NORTH KOREA READYING LONG-RANGE MISSILE LAUNCH

July 22, 2015 Voice of America News reported: "South Korea's Yonhap news agency says North Korea is preparing to launch a new long-range rocket later this year.

Quoting an anonymous South Korean government official, Yonhap says North Korea has completed upgrades at its Sohae launch facility, located near the border with China. The upgrades include installation of a 67-meter tall launch tower, which is capable of handling a rocket twice the size of North Korea's Unha-3 rocket, which put a satellite in orbit in December 2012.



The official says it has received intelligence that North Korean leader Kim Jong-un has ordered the launch of a long-range missile in October to mark the 70th anniversary of the North's ruling Workers' Party..."

ISIS IS TEACHING CHILDREN TO BEHEAD USING DOLLS

July 21, 2015 ChristianToday.com reports: "Young boys abducted by Islamic State are being sent to jihad training camps where they are forced to practice beheading infidels by using dolls. The Yazidi boys are told the exercise is part of their 're-education' as Islamic State attempts to train up a new generation of terrorists and suicide bombers.

Details of the jihad camps for children emerged for the first time when Associated Press interviewed a Yazidi teen who had managed to flee one of the camps. He described how boys were forced to convert to Islam and brainwashed into becoming jihadi fighters after Islamic State captured Yazidi towns in Iraq last year. The older men were murdered and the girls and women taken and married, used or sold as sex slaves. The boys were taken for 'ashbal', Arabic for 'lion cubs', to be trained into child jihadists.

Hundreds of boys have been captured and indoctrinated by being shown beheading videos then given a sword and a doll and told to practise.

Islamic State claims to have dozens of similar camps.

'Then they taught me how to hold the sword, and they told me how to hit. They told me it was the head of the infidels,' said one boy, Yahya, aged 14, who described how he kept getting it wrong and had to try two or three times to chop the doll's head off. He had been captured with his little brother and his mother and taken to the Farouq jihadi training camp after Islamic State seized their home town of Sulagh in August..."

KERRY SAYS IRAN VOW TO DEFY U.S. IS 'VERY DISTURBING'

July 21, 2015 Reuters reported: "U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry said a speech by Iranian Supreme Leader Ali Khamenei on Saturday vowing to defy American policies in the region despite a deal with world powers over Tehran's nuclear program was 'very disturbing'.

'I don't know how to interpret it at this point in time, except to take it at face value, that that's his policy,' he said in the interview with Saudi-owned Al Arabiya television, parts of which the network quoted on Tuesday.

'But I do know that often comments are made publicly and things can evolve that are different. If it is the policy, it's very disturbing, it's very troubling,' he added.

Ayatollah Khamenei told supporters on Saturday that U.S. policies in the region were '180 degrees' opposed to Iran's, at a speech in a Tehran mosque punctuated by chants of 'Death to America' and 'Death to Israel'.

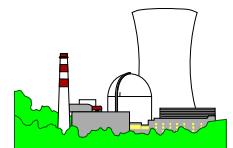
'Even after this deal our policy toward the arrogant U.S. will not change,' Khamenei said..."

THERE IS NO IRAN DEAL: WEST, IRAN DIFFER SHARPLY OVER TERMS

July 21, 2015 Breitbart.com reported: "The United Nations Security Council voted 15-0 on Monday to pass Resolution 2231, which endorses the Iran nuclear deal—the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action [JCPOA] signed in Vienna by the five permanent members of the Council, plus Germany, the European Union and Iran." However, there are already sharp disagreements between Iran and the rest of the world as to what that deal actually means.



Iran's Foreign Ministry claims, for example, that the deal does not actually cover its ballistic missile program, as advertised.



Restrictions on ballistic missiles are to be ended after eight years, according to the JCPOA. However, Iran says, according to the Times of Israel, that the UN Security Council resolution and the deal do not apply to its own missiles because they 'have not been conceived to carry nuclear weapons.'

Similarly, there is confusion as to whether the deal prevents Iran from accelerating its nuclear program after the deal expires, or whether that is just an option. Such (voluntary) restrictions would have to be approved under the Additional Protocol to the Non-Proliferation Treaty, which the Iranian parliament is supposed to ratify, but there is no deadline for it to do so; it could wait until deal expires, in theory..."

IRAN SAYS UN CAN'T BAN BALLISTIC MISSILES UNDER NUKE DEAL

July 20, 2015 The Times of Israel reported: "Iran said its ballistic missile program was not connected to the UN Security Council resolution adopted Monday, which endorses its July 14 nuclear accord with world powers. A statement from the Iranian Foreign Ministry also said that it was 'certain' the International Atomic Energy Agency will not request to inspect its military sites. Under the terms of the nuclear deal, Iran is barred from developing ballistic missiles capable of carrying a nuclear warhead."

Iran says it has built ballistic missiles with a range of 2,000 kilometers (1,200 miles), capable of striking its arch-foe Israel. But the Foreign Ministry said the UN's resolution endorsing the deal did not have jurisdiction over its missile development.

'Iran's military capacities, especially ballistic missiles, are strictly defensive and, as they have not been conceived to carry nuclear weapons, they are outside the scope and competence of the Security Council resolution,' the ministry wrote in a statement..."

IRAN'S KHAMENEI HAILS HIS PEOPLE FOR DEMANDING DEATH TO AMERICA AND ISRAEL

July 19, 2015 The Times of Israel reports: "Iran's supreme leader on Saturday hailed the Iranian masses for demanding the destruction of Israel and America, and said he hoped that God would answer their prayers."

In a viciously anti-US speech delivered in Tehran four days after Iran and the world powers signed an accord designed to thwart Iran's nuclear program, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei praised 'the slogans of the people of Iran' which 'indicated what directions they're heading for,' according to the English translation of his speech by Iran's Press TV.

At Al-Quds day rallies last week, Khamenei noted appreciatively, 'You heard 'Death to Israel', 'Death to the US.' You could hear it. The whole nation was shaken by these slogans. It wasn't only confined to Tehran. The whole of the nation, you could hear, that was covered by this great movement. So we ask Almighty God to accept these prayers by the people of Iran.'

Khamenei also vowed in the speech, which was broadcast live on state television, that the nuclear agreement with the major powers would not change Iran's policy against the 'arrogant American government' nor would it change the Islamic Republic's policy of supporting its 'friends' in the region..."