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AUDITOR: GOVERNMENT WILL OWE MORE MONEY THAN ENTIRE ECONOMY PRODUCES

April 7, 2016 freedombeacon.com reported: "An auditor for the Government Accountability Office told lawmakers Wednesday that in the next few years the federal government will owe more than our entire economy produces.

Gene Dodaro, the comptroller general for the Government Accountability Office, testified at the Senate Budget Committee to provide the results of its audit on the government's financial books.

"We're very heavily leveraged in debt," Dodaro said. "The historical average post-World War II of how much debt we held as a percent of gross domestic product was 43 percent on average; right now we're at 74 percent."

Dodaro says that under current law, debt held by the public will hit a historic high.

"The highest in the United States government's history of debt held by the public as a percent of gross domestic product was 1946, right after World War II," he said. "We're on mark to hit that in the next 15 to 25 years."

Another economic projection which assumes that cost controls for Medicare don't hold and that healthcare costs continue to increase, shows debt rising even further."..."

U.S. MILITARY CHRISTENS SELF-DRIVING 'SEA HUNTER' WARSHIP

April 7, 2016 Reuters reported: "The U.S. military on Thursday christened an experimental self-driving warship designed to hunt for enemy submarines, a major advance in robotic warfare at the core of America's strategy to counter Chinese and Russian naval investments.



The 132-foot-long (40-metre-long) unarmed prototype, dubbed Sea Hunter, is the naval equivalent of Google's self-driving car, designed to cruise on the ocean's surface for two or three months at a time - without a crew or anyone controlling it remotely. That kind of endurance and autonomy could make it a highly efficient submarine stalker at a fraction of the cost of the Navy's manned vessels.

"This is an inflection point," Deputy U.S. Defense Secretary Robert Work said in an interview, adding he hoped such ships might find a place in the western Pacific in as few as five years. "This is the first time we've ever had a totally robotic, trans-oceanic-capable ship."

For Pentagon planners such as Work, the Sea Hunter fits into a strategy to incorporate unmanned drones - with increasing autonomy - into the conventional military in the air, on land and at sea.

It also comes as China's naval investments, including in its expanding submarine fleet, stoke concern in Washington about the vulnerability of the aircraft carrier battle groups and submarines that remain critical to America's military superiority in the western Pacific."..."

PYONGYANG LIKELY TO DEPLOY MULTIPLE LAUNCH ROCKET SYSTEMS IN LATE 2016

April 7, 2016 SpaceDaily.com reported: "North Korea is likely to deploy a large-caliber multiple launch rocket system (MLRS) late this year, having completed the development of the weapon, South Korean Defense Minister Han Min-koo said Wednesday. In March according to the Yonhap news agency, Pyongyang announced that North Korean leader Kim Jong Un had inspected the final test fire of the 300-millimeter caliber rockets, which are equipped with an accurate guidance system.

"Recently, North Korea test-fired the system several times, through which, I believe, it has nearly completed the development... Under this assessment, I think North Korea will deploy the 300-mm MLRS as early as at the end of this year," Han told reporters, as quoted by the media outlet.

In March, the South Korean National Defense Ministry said in its strategy that it was planning to develop ground-to-ground guided munitions in a response to threats posed by North Korea.

Tensions on the Korean Peninsula escalated after North Korea successfully carried out a hydrogen bomb test in early January and put a satellite into orbit a month later, violating UN Security Council resolutions" and garnering condemnation from the international community."..."

HEZBOLLAH SAID BUILDING MISSILE BASE IN SYRIA, TO STRIKE AT ISRAEL

April 7, 2016 timesofisrael.com reported: "The Lebanese terror group Hezbollah has reportedly been constructing a fortified base inside Syria that it may be using to store Iranian ballistic missiles with the range to hit Israel. Satellite images of an area on the northern Lebanese-Syrian border show that Hezbollah has been consolidating positions it conquered from Syrian rebels in June 2013, global intelligence company Stratfor said Wednesday.

Photos show several facilities in the region around Qusair, including one large compound surrounded by an earthen berm. Villages up to four kilometers (2.5 miles) from the base have been razed to enable clear observation of the territory, and tunnels have reportedly been dug back under the border and into Lebanon.

Other sources said there are long-range missiles at the base including Iranian-manufactured Shabab-1, Shabab-2, and Fateh-110 ballistic missiles, although there was no satellite confirmation to back up the claim..."

SENIOR FATAH OFFICIAL: U.S. IS NO. 1 ENEMY OF PALESTINIANS

April 6, 2016 Breitbart.com reported: "A senior official from Fatah, the party of Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas, called the United

States “the number one enemy of the Palestinian people” in a recent television interview. Jamal Muhaisen, a member of the Fatah Central Committee, made the comments in an interview aired on official PA TV on March 23.

In the interview, parts of which were translated by the Middle East Media Research Institute (MEMRI), Muhaisen also regurgitated an anti-Semitic trope alleging Jewish efforts to control the world. In Muhaisen’s view, the Jews control America, which in turn wreaks havoc across the Arab world at the Jews’ behest.

“When it is said that the Palestinian people is the last people on earth to be occupied, I say that the American people are under occupation as well,” Muhaisen said in the interview. “While we are under Israeli occupation, the American people in the U.S. are under Jewish-Zionist occupation.”

“When the U.S. presidential candidates meet with AIPAC, they are not meeting them as American citizens but as representatives of the State of Israel,” he added. Muhaisen then went on to accuse the U.S. and Israel of being responsible for the plight of the entire Arab world...”...”

BELGIAN MUSLIMS HELD STREET PARTIES CELEBRATING BRUSSELS ATTACKS

April 6, 2016 Arutz Sheva 7 reported: “In the days following terrorist attacks in Brussels, street celebrations broke out in several places in Belgium, the county’s vice prime minister said.

Jan Jambon made the statement about the March 22 bombings, which killed 32 people, on March 30 during a symposium titled ‘Terrorism, Israel and International Law’ and organized by the Dutch anti-racism and pro-Israel lobby group CIDI, or the Center of Information and Documentation on Israel, in The Hague.

Jambon, a rightist politician, made the remark while acknowledging Belgium has a jihadism problem. One of Europe’s smallest countries, Belgium is the continent’s biggest per capita source of jihadists fighting in Syria and Iraq, CNN reported. In February, Jambon revealed Belgium’s intelligence services have flagged 451 citizens as jihadists...””

ISIS BURNS 15 PEOPLE ALIVE FOR ATTEMPTING TO FLEE IRAQI CITY

April 6, 2016 ChristianToday.com reported: “Islamic State has burned 15 people to death for attempting to escape the city of Fallujah in Iraq. The terror group has also arrested a woman who went on local television to describe deteriorating conditions, and begged for someone to help save residents.

Fallujah, known as the City of Mosques, is just over 40 miles from Baghdad and has been under ISIS control for over two years. When nearby Ramadi was liberated last December, Fallujah was left isolated in ISIS control and as a result is suffering serious shortages. Many residents are hungry, malnourished and unwell.

Azal Obaid, a local governor, told Kurdish news agency ARA that 15 civilians who tried to escape have been publicly executed by being burned to death. He also said ISIS militants are using civilians as human shields to protect its soldiers.”...”

ISLAMIC STATE HINTS AT ATTACKS IN LONDON, BERLIN AND ROME

April 5, 2016 Reuters reported: “The Islamic State militant group released a video on Tuesday suggesting it may carry out further attacks in the West, naming London, Berlin and Rome as possible targets.

‘If it was Paris yesterday, and today Brussels, Allah knows where it will be tomorrow. Maybe it will be in London or Berlin or Rome,’ said a member of the group in English on the video which showed footage of the aftermath of previous attacks...The video showed images of the House of Commons in London and Rome’s Colosseum...”

HAMAS CALLS TO ‘SLAUGHTER’ JEWS WHO VISIT TEMPLE MOUNT

April 5, 2016 Arutz Sheva 7 reported: “Hamas is continuing its calls for violence against Jews, with one official threatening on Monday to ‘slaughter’ Jews who are ‘harming’ the Al-Aqsa Mosque.

Faiza Al-Nashar, who heads Hamas’s women movement in Rafah, told the Hamas newspaper Palestine that ‘today’s generation waves his knife and his father’s old rifle and goes out to cut off the hands and slaughter the heads of those who attack the Al-Aqsa Mosque.’

Similar threats were made by the Deputy Chairman of the Palestinian parliament, senior Hamas member Ahmed Bahar, who participated in an event held in Rafah organized by the women’s movement of Hamas in support of the ‘Intifada’ and in the memory of senior Hamas terrorists Ahmed Yassin and Abdel Aziz al-Rantissi, who were eliminated by Israel during the Second Intifada in the early 2000s...”

2,000 ‘TICKING TIME BOMBS’ IN U.S. – AND COUNTING

April 4, 2016 World Net Daily reported: “...Experts on Islamic terrorism are calling the estimated 2,500 to 3,100 mosques in America ‘ticking time bombs.’ Every state now has at least one. California and New York lead the way, each with more than 500 mosques, followed by Texas with just over 300. As the number of mosques increase, so do acts of Islamic terror in the U.S.

FBI Director James Comey told Congress recently that his agency is stretched to the limit trying to keep up with nearly 1,000 active ISIS investigations in all 50 states, and that does not include probes tied to al-Qaida, al-Shabab or other Islamic groups. While the FBI is able to foil the vast majority of Islamic terror plots, last year was particularly bloody with jihadist shootings in Chattanooga that killed five U.S. servicemen and another attack that took 14 lives at a Christmas party in San Bernardino.

Jihadist knife attacks at a restaurant in Columbus, Ohio, and on the campus of University of California at Merced have recently injured at least a dozen others, some critically. And everyone is jittery after what happened in Brussels, Belgium, last month. Of the thousands of mosques in America, nearly 80 percent of them have been opened since the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks...”

