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IRAN COMPLETES THIRD UNDERGROUND BALLISTIC MISSILE FACTORY

May 25, 2017 Arutz Sheva 7 reported: "Iran has built a third underground ballistic missile production factory and will keep developing its missile program, the semi-official Fars news agency reported today, Thursday, according to Reuters.

'Iran's third underground factory has been built by the Guards in recent years ... We will continue to further develop our missile capabilities energetically,' Fars quoted the head of the Republican Guard's airspace division, Amirali Hajizadeh, as saying.

Since taking office in January, U.S. President Donald Trump has put Tehran 'on notice' by imposing new sanctions in response to Iran's recent missile launches.

Iran's Sunni Gulf neighbors and Israel have expressed concerns over Tehran's ballistic missile program, seeing it as a threat to world security.

'It is natural that our enemies, America and the Zionist regime, are angry with our missile program because they want Iran to be in a weak position,' Hajizadeh said..."

PHILIPPINES PRESIDENT DECLARES MARTIAL LAW AFTER ISLAMIST MILITANTS TAKE CHRISTIANS HOSTAGE

May 24, 2017 ChristianToday.com reported: "Chaos has descended on Marawi city in the Philippines as the government attempts to combat Islamist terrorist who brought havoc to the city, killing several and holding a local priest and parishioners hostage.

The Filipino army has sent about 100 soldiers, including US military, into the majority-Muslim city with a population of around 200,000, which was this week overrun by the Maute terrorist group, a militant Islamist group with allegiance to ISIS.

Thousands of citizens have fled after the Maute group torched several buildings and occupied various parts of Marawi. Philippines President Rodrigo Duterte has imposed martial law on Mindanao Island, which includes Marawi, in an attempt to curtail the chaos. He promised the military rule would be 'harsh'.

'I warned everybody not to force my hand into it,' Duterte said, according to The National. 'I have to do it to preserve the republic.'..."



Philippines

US-SAUDI ARMS MEGA DEAL LOOKS TO COUNTER IRAN

May 24, 2017 SpaceDaily.com reported: "Washington has announced a bumper arms deal with Saudi Arabia, heralding the package as a major boost to long-standing security ties and a way to further isolate Iran.

Administration officials claim the agreement — worth \$110 billion over the next decade — is the biggest single arms deal in American history, and it will see US defense firms flow everything from ships and tanks to the latest anti-missile systems to the kingdom.

The deal also reportedly includes the renewed sale of precision-guided munitions that had been blocked under President Barack Obama's administration, for fear the Saudis would use them on civilian targets in Yemen, where Riyadh is prosecuting a war against Iranian-backed Huthi rebels.

While not all its aspects have been made public, the thrust of the deal aims to help the Saudi military bolster its defenses to deter bitter rival Iran and its missile program. The agreement clears the way for the sale of Patriot and Terminal High Altitude Area Defense (THAAD) anti-missile technologies, providing Riyadh with state-of-the-art capabilities that could thwart an Iranian rocket..."

UK TERROR THREAT RAISED TO HIGHEST 'CRITICAL' RATING, ARMY COULD BE DEPLOYED TO STREETS

May 24, 2017 Breitbart.com reported: "The British government has raised the country's terror threat level to 'critical', indicating the military may be deployed onto UK streets.

The move — following an emergency meeting of Cabinet Office Briefing Room (COBR) — takes the UK to its highest terror threat level for the first time in a decade.

In June 2007, the level was raised from 'Severe', indicating 'an attack is highly likely' to 'Critical', indicating 'an attack is expected imminently' following the discovery of multiple car bombs at locations outside nightclubs and airports.

The Joint Terrorism Analysis Centre (JTAC), which in turn reports to security services such as MI5, is responsible for the elevated threat level following the Monday night terrorist attack in Manchester that killed 22 and injured over 100 people.

The threat level had previously been downgraded to 'Substantial' meaning an attack is a 'strong possibility' between July 2011 and August 2014. It was then raised to Severe in response to events in Iraq and Syria, coinciding with a high point of territorial gain by the Islamic State.

The United Kingdom has five terror levels: Low, Moderate, Substantial, Severe, and Critical. Since the implementation of the new levels in 2006, the rating has never dropped below Substantial.

Reports emerging from the UK press also suggest around 5,000 members of the UK's military may be deployed onto British streets in order to deter attacks..."

ABBAS TO OFFER LAND SWAP WITH ISRAEL IN TRUMP TALKS

May 23, 2017 Arutz Sheva 7 reported: "PA President Mahmoud Abbas will present a plan by which the Arabs renounce 6.5 percent of the lands under their political control to Israel, three times as much as previously offered, during US President Donald Trump's visit to Israel tomorrow (Tuesday), Middle East Eye reported.

The MEE quoted a PA official close to the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) as saying that the proposal excludes Jerusalem and appears to cement the vision of former Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert for an Arab-Israeli peace settlement.

“The Palestinian side will be presenting, during the meeting with Trump, a new vision which is quite detached from that of the majority of the Palestinian people. This vision is based on exchanging a lot of Palestinian lands,” the source told the MEE.

“Previous discussions about a Palestinian-Israeli settlement revolved around the exchange of only 1.9 percent of the lands, but now we are talking about more than triple that amount,” the source added...

NORTH KOREA DECLARES MEDIUM-RANGE MISSILE READY FOR DEPLOYMENT

May 23, 2017 SpaceDaily.com reported: “North Korea on Monday declared its medium-range Pukguksong-2 missile ready for deployment after a weekend test, the latest step in its quest to defy UN sanctions and develop a weapon capable of striking US targets.

The state-run Korean Central News Agency said the North’s leader Kim Jong-Un oversaw Sunday’s launch, which sparked a fresh chorus of international condemnation and threats of tougher sanctions.

It was the latest in a series of launches this year, as Pyongyang steps up its efforts to develop an intercontinental ballistic missile (ICBM) capable of delivering a nuclear warhead to the continental United States — something President Donald Trump has vowed ‘won’t happen’.

The launches, and a threatened sixth nuclear test, have fueled tension with the Trump administration, which has warned that military intervention was an option under consideration, sending fears of conflict spiraling...”

ISIS TESTS CHEMICAL WEAPONS ON 'HUMAN GUINEA PIGS', SECRET DOCUMENTS REVEAL

May 22, 2017 independant.co.uk reported: “Isis are conducting chemical weapons experiments on "human guinea pigs" before launching attacks on Western targets, according to secret documents.

The extremist group has reportedly poisoned prisoners by spiking their food and water with compounds used in pesticides that are easy to obtain. Security forces now fear the terror network may hatch a twisted plot to contaminate Western food supplies with formulas that quickly dissolve in liquid.

The experiments were recorded in a stash of papers found hidden in Mosul University after Iraqi special forces recaptured the city from IS fighters. They reveal one victim was fed thallium sulphate - a colourless, tasteless salt that can be dissolved in water - and began to suffer fever, nausea, and swelling of the stomach and brain before dying in agony ten days later.

Isis described the chemical as an "ideal lethal poison" and claimed to be in “possession of an ample amount of the solution to fill demands”, according to the documents, which were verified by British and US forces and later obtained by The Times.

Terrorists also injected a nicotine-based compound, said to have no antidote, into another victim who passed out within seconds and died hours later. Ingredients for the poison are contained in cigarettes and vaping supplies, while thallium sulphate is available for sale in many countries including the US.”...

YEMEN REBEL MISSILE SHOT DOWN NEAR SAUDI CAPITAL

May 19, 2017 spacewar.com reported: “Saudi Arabia said it shot down a ballistic missile, fired by Yemeni rebels, southwest of the capital Riyadh late Friday, ahead of US President Donald Trump's arrival in the Sunni-led kingdom.

Air defence units "intercepted a ballistic missile that was launched by Huthi militias", and it fell over an unpopulated area 180 kilometres from Riyadh, the Saudi-led coalition said in a statement.

Trump, whose country provides weapons, intelligence and aerial refuelling for the coalition, is due to arrive on Saturday for two days of summits with Saudi, Gulf and Muslim leaders.

The missile would be the longest range attempted by the Huthi rebels and their allies, former members of Yemen's security forces linked to ex-president Ali Abdullah Saleh, since they began retaliatory attacks against the kingdom two years ago.

Occasional ballistic missile attacks, as well as more frequent short-range rocket fire over the southern border, have been conducted after coalition air strikes against the rebels in Yemen. The coalition intervened in Yemen more than two years ago to support President Abedrabbo Mansour Hadi.

Huthi-run Al-Masirah television said on its Twitter account that the rebels' "rocket forces launched a Volcano-2 (Borkan) ballistic missile on the capital of Saudi Arabia". This coincided with coalition air strikes against the rebel-held capital Sanaa, other tweets from Al-Masirah said.

Riyadh and Washington accuse Iran of supplying weapons to the Huthis but a United Nations Panel of Experts in January reported that it "has not seen sufficient evidence to confirm any direct large-scale supply of arms" from Iran, Riyadh's regional rival.”...

CAUGHT! MINNESOTA MUSLIMS WITH 'BOMB-MAKING DEVICES' IN CAR

May 19, 2017 World Net Daily reported: “A routine police check in Minnesota resulted in the arrest of two Muslim men on charges they were driving around with an arsenal of weapons including bomb-making devices.

Abdullah N. Alrifafe, 27, and Majid N. Alrifafe, 26, both of Minneapolis, were arrested May 11 after police had reason to search their car and found a hand grenade, handgun, several assault rifles and magazines and a large quantity of ammunition, according to the police report. They also found cellphones, drone parts, computers and electronics devices capable of igniting a bomb.

Former Minnesota Rep. Michele Bachmann said the size of the cache should send off alarm bells for local police, as it signals that an active Islamic terrorist cell could be operating in the city. But the city seems paralyzed by political correctness, she said...”

