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# Saudi King backs US peace efforts

September 24, 2020 Arutz Sheva 7 reported: "Saudi Arabia's King Salman bin Abdulaziz on Wednesday called for a comprehensive solution on Iran and to disarm its affiliate Hezbollah in Lebanon, and expressed support for US efforts to start talks between Israel and Palestinian Arabs, *Reuters* reported.

Speaking for the first time before the United Nations General Assembly, he said Iran has exploited the 2015 nuclear deal with world powers 'to intensify its expansionist activities, create its terrorist networks, and use terrorism,' adding that this had produced nothing but 'chaos, extremism, and sectarianism.'

'A comprehensive solution and a firm international position are required,' he told the 193-member General Assembly in a video statement, prerecorded due to the coronavirus pandemic.

'Our experience with the Iranian regime has taught us that partial solutions and appearement did not stop its threats to international peace and security,' King Salman added, according to *Reuters*..."

# Commander of Navy's 914 Squadron to Hezbollah: Don't test us

*September 24, 2020* jpost.com reported: "Four months after the IDF first raised its alert level in northern Israel, the Navy's 914 Squadron remains ready to respond to any threat along the border with Lebanon.

Despite the quiet that is felt by residents, 'there's nothing quiet when commanding an operational squadron, especially in the North,' Commander of Squadron 914 Lt.-Col. Kfir Raveh told *The Jerusalem Post*.

Raveh entered his position last year, shortly before Hezbollah fired three anti-tank missiles towards IDF positions along the border...

'Hezbollah really has to consider if they want to act because our response will make them understand that it wasn't worth it,' he warned. 'It's better that Hezbollah not test the IDFs response. They will meet a very strong and powerful military, both on the ground, in the air and at sea.'..."

### Rouhani declares victory over the US

September 24, 2020 Arutz Sheva 7 reported: "Iranian President Hassan Rouhani on Wednesday declared 'victory' over the United States after the UN Security Council rejected the Trump administration's bid to reimpose UN sanctions on the Islamic Republic.

'The Iranian nation has achieved great political, legal and diplomatic success at the United Nations,' Rouhani told a televised weekly meeting of his cabinet, as quoted by *AFP*.

'The reason for this victory lies solely in the support and resistance of the people,' he added.

'America's greatness has collapsed (just like) the global hegemony they thought they had,' claimed the Iranian President..."

# U.N. Chief Guterres Calls for 'Improved World Governance'

September 23, 2020 breitbart.com reported: "U.N. Secretary General Antonio Guterres on Monday called for 'improved world governance' as one solution to constant geopolitical upheaval, with the globalist body central to his appeal for the revival of multilateralism.

The Portuguese socialist spoke as the U.N. marks its 75th anniversary and the coronavirus pandemic continues its deadly toll.

AP reports Guterres said, 'Today, we have a surplus of multilateral challenges and a deficit of multilateral solutions' before pointing to coronavirus and saying it has 'laid bare the world's fragilities,' which can only be addressed together to improve world governance."



Secretary General Guterres

This is not the first time Guterres has sought to garner support for more power. In June he said the world needs an overarching level of multilateral governance that can sideline problematic "national interests," as he lamented existing U.N. instruments such as the Security Council have teeth but "show little or no appetite to bite."

In response to questions as to exactly what the U.N. has achieved over three-quarters of a century, Guterres said, "at least the Third World War so many people have predicted was avoided.

"We had what many called the 'long peace' with many small conflicts, but conflicts in which the big powers did not get involved against each other."

Now the future must be addressed. To that end U.S. President Donald Trump and China's President Xi Jinping are scheduled to address the U.N. General Assembly on Tuesday." ..."

### China 'must back off', says Taiwan

September 22, 2020 sinodaily.com reported: "Taiwan on Tuesday demanded that China 'back off' and accused it of threatening peace, after a Beijing official rejected a largely respected marine boundary following recent incursions.

Foreign minister Joseph Wu urged Beijing to 'return to the civilised international standards' after a Chinese foreign ministry spokesman said there was no so-called median line in the Taiwan Strait 'as Taiwan is an inseparable part of Chinese territory'.

Wu told reporters: 'The median line has been a symbol of preventing military conflicts and maintaining peace and stability in the Taiwan Strait for many years. The Chinese foreign ministry's comment is equivalent of destroying the status quo.'

'I call on the international community to condemn the CCP for its dangerous and provocative words and deeds threatening peace... China must back off,' he added in a tweet..."

# ANALYSIS: Iran threatens terror over Arab Israeli peace deal

September 22, 2020 Arutz Sheva 7 reported: "Barely a week after Israel signed peace agreements with Arab Gulf states United Arab Emirates and Bahrain Iran is threatening the two Sunni Arab countries and says it could stage attacks in them to let Bahrain and the UAE pay a price for their 'treason'.

Lt. Col. Jonathan Segal of the Jerusalem Center of Public Affairs published an analysis in which he quoted senior Iranian officials who called Bahrain's decision to make peace with Israel a 'shameful decision' and 'harmful' to the Palestinian people.

'Undoubtedly, the oppressed and freedom-seeking people of Palestine and the freedom-seeking Muslims of the world will never accept the relations with the usurper and rebellious regime of Israel, and this shameful act will forever remain in the memory of the oppressed nation of Palestine and the freedom-loving nations of the world,' a spokesman for the Iranian Foreign Ministry said.

The unnamed Iranian spokesmen then threatened Bahrain directly over the consequences for the country whenever Israel would take action against Iran..."

## US issues security alert for citizens in Bahrain



September 22, 2020 Arutz Sheva 7 reported: "The United States Embassy in Bahrain on Monday warned American citizens in the Gulf kingdom of the 'need for caution', days after Manama signed a US-backed deal with Israel.

'The Embassy encourages all US citizens to review their personal security plans, remain aware of their surroundings, including local events, and maintain a high level of vigilance,' an embassy statement read.

Bahrain and the United Arab Emirates last week signed deals to normalize ties with Israel at the White House, breaking with decades of Arab consensus that there would be no relations with the Jewish state until it had made peace with the Palestinian Arabs..."

#### White House: 5 more countries considering Israel deals

September 18, 2020 Arutz Sheva 7 reported: "White House Chief of Staff Mark Meadows said on Thursday that five more countries are seriously considering striking a normalization deal with Israel following the accords signed by Israel with United Emirates and Bahrain, *Reuters* reported. Meadows would not identify the countries, but said three were 'in the region.'

US President Donald Trump said on Wednesday that two other countries may soon join the United Arab Emirates and Bahrain in recognizing Israel.

'Four or five' other Arab countries 'want to come in' and normalize ties with Israel following the deal that was signed on Tuesday at the White House with Bahrain and the United Arab Emirates, Trump told a news conference." ..."