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## Iran Conducts Missile Attacks in Kurdistan Region of Iraq

**September 29, 2022** voanews.com reported: "Officials in Iraqi Kurdistan say casualties from Iran's missile and drone attacks in the region have risen to at least nine deaths and 32 injuries.

'The Iranian Islamic regime, by attacking the headquarters of Kurdistan freedom forces, is seriously attempting to divert the attention of people away from the revolution that is currently under way in Iran and East [Iranian] Kurdistan,' Khalid Azizi, the spokesperson of the opposition group Kurdistan Democratic Party of Iran (KDPI), told *VOA*.

'This was expected, given the major damage the regime has suffered due to the civil movement inside Iran. It is the regime's longstanding strategy that whenever it faces a threat from inside, it makes a crisis in Yemen, Iraq, Lebanon, Syria, or somewhere else,' added Azizi, who spoke at party headquarters in Koy Sinjaq, a town some 60 kilometers east of Erbil, where Iranian missiles left four KDPI fighters dead.

Iranian officials have denied the claim that the protests are a revolution, accusing the United States of supporting 'rioters' to destabilize the Islamic Republic..."

## Pentagon Announces \$1.1 Billion More in Military Aid for Ukraine

**September 29, 2022** voanews.com reported: "The Pentagon is providing an additional \$1.1 billion in aid to Ukraine, bringing the total U.S. military assistance to nearly \$17 billion since the Biden administration took office.

The latest package includes funding for 18 more High-Mobility Artillery Rocket Systems, or HIMARS, and their ammunition, weapons that U.S. defense officials say have proven highly effective in helping Ukraine defend its territory since Russia invaded the country in February.



U.S. Pentagon

The U.S. has already provided Ukraine with 16 HIMARS, and a senior defense official told reporters Wednesday that the Biden administration was starting the procurement process for the next 18 because they would take 'years' to procure, build and deliver. The latest package funds the procurement of weapons and equipment under the Ukraine Security Assistance Initiative, which funds contracts focused on Ukraine's long-term defense and security needs..."

## The digital dollar will not be anonymous, Federal Reserve chair Jerome Powell says

**September 28, 2022** michaelsavage.com reported: "Despite privacy being one of the main concerns citizens have about central bank digital currencies (CBDCs), the heads of the United States (US) Federal Reserve and European Central Bank (ECB) have confirmed that their respective CBDCs will not be anonymous.

During an appearance at a Banque de France (Bank of France) event, the chairman of the Federal Reserve, Jerome Powell, said if the US were to pursue a central bank digital currency (CBDC), it would be "identity verified" and "not anonymous."

"We would be looking to balance privacy protection with identity verification, which...has to be done, of course, in today's traditional banking system as well," Powell added.

The President of the European Central Bank (ECB), Christine Lagarde, acknowledged that privacy was one of the main concerns Europeans had about the European Union's (EU's) proposed CBDC, the digital euro. Despite these concerns, she confirmed that "there would not be complete anonymity as there is with...bank notes" when using the digital euro.

"There would be a limited level of disclosure and certainly not at the central bank level," Lagarde added."..."

## Iranian drones bring back fear for Ukrainians

**September 28, 2022** spacewar.com reported: "In Ukraine's port city of Odessa, residents have recently found themselves hiding not from the thunder of rocket attacks but from the whir of buzzing Iranian drones in the sky. The machines have been playing an important role since Russia invaded seven months ago — forming part of reconnaissance operations, missile firings or bomb drops.

Awakened with a start on Saturday morning by a roar from the sky, Maryna Kondratieva ran to hide in the cellar with her two young children, fearing the worst.

‘I understand now that everything can change in five minutes,’ Kondratieva, who lives in a well-to-do part of the city and whose terrace overlooks the Black Sea, told *AFP*. Odessa — the ‘capital’ of the southwest and Ukraine’s main port — had seemed largely safe from Moscow, whose troops failed to take it at the beginning of the war...”

### **With an eye on China, US to develop drones with India**

**September 27, 2022 *spacewar.com*** reported: “The United States and India will co-develop drones, a senior Pentagon official said Thursday, as Washington seeks closer ties with Delhi as a way of countering China. India will build these aircraft and export them to other countries in its region, this official said. Delhi wants to diversify its weaponry, which is mainly Russian-made, and also to develop its own defense industry.

‘And we want to support India on both fronts and are doing so,’ Eli Ratner, assistant secretary of defense for Indo-Pacific security affairs, told a group of reporters and defense experts.

‘In practical terms, that means that we’re going to be working closely with India on co-producing and co-developing capabilities that will support India’s own defense modernization goals,’ Ratner said...

Ties between the United States and India were troubled for many years, but their shared wariness of an aggressive China brought the countries closer together under Prime Minister Narendra Modi and former president Donald Trump.”

### **Deadly gun attack at Russian school**

**September 26, 2022 *bbc.com*** reported: “A gunman has opened fire at a school in central Russia, killing at least 13 people and injuring 21, Russian officials say. Victims include seven children at the school of about 1,000 pupils in the city of Izhevsk. The gunman killed himself at the scene. He was a former pupil of the school.

Russian media have posted videos which appear to show panic inside the building where the shooting took place. Some footage shows blood on a classroom floor and a bullet hole in a window, with children crouching down underneath desks.

Eleven children and four adults were killed, including two security guards and two teachers, according to Russia’s investigative committee. All but two of the 24 injured people were children. Staff and pupils have been evacuated from the school building, which is in central Izhevsk - a city of about 650,000 residents...”

### **Hamas threatens violence over contested Jerusalem holy site**

**September 23, 2022 *ynetnews.com*** reported: “The Palestinian terror group Hamas on Thursday threatened hostile actions against Israel over what it called ‘violations against Jerusalem and the Al-Aqsa Mosque’ ahead of the upcoming Jewish High Holidays.

Hamas’s threats came just ahead of Sunday’s Jewish new year, and a day after a group of Jewish religious extremists visited a contested holy site revered by both Jews and Muslims and blew the shofar — a ram’s horn that’s trumpeted in the run-up to and during the Jewish High Holidays. The Jewish new year, Rosh Hashanah, begins at sundown on Sunday, and in the succeeding weeks thousands of Israelis are expected to visit Jerusalem.

Public Security Minister Omer Bar-Lev told Kan public radio on Wednesday that Israeli authorities would not limit Jewish visits to the contested Jerusalem holy site known to Jews as the Temple Mount and to Muslims as the Al-Aqsa Mosque compound...”

### **Medvedev: Strategic nuclear weapons can be used to defend annexed Ukrainian territory**

**September 23, 2022 *jpost.com*** reported: “Former Russian President Dmitry Medvedev said on Thursday that any weapons in Moscow’s arsenal, including strategic nuclear weapons, could be used to defend territories annexed to Russia from Ukraine.

Medvedev, who also serves as deputy chairman of Russia’s Security Council, said that referendums planned by Russian-installed and separatist authorities in large swathes of Ukrainian territory will take place, and ‘there is no going back’.

‘Therefore, various retired idiots with generals’ stripes do not need to scare us with talk about a NATO strike on Crimea,’ Medvedev wrote on Telegram. ‘Hypersonic [missiles] are guaranteed to be able to reach targets in Europe and the United States much faster.’

‘The Western establishment and all citizens of NATO countries in general need to understand that Russia has chosen its own path,’ he added...”



*Former Russian President  
Dmitry Medvedev*