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# Cop moderately hurt in Jerusalem stabbing; assailant, a Turkish visitor, shot dead

34-year-old foreign national knifes Border Police officer in Old City; he had entered Israel via Jordan a day earlier



By <u>Emanuel Fabian</u> Today, 2:22 pm

Israeli security personnel and members of Zaka Rescue and Recovery team carry the body of a man who was fatally shot by Israeli police after he wounded a police officer in a stabbing attack in Jerusalem's Old City, April 30, 2024. (AP Photo/Mahmoud Illean)

A police officer was moderately wounded in a stabbing attack in Jerusalem's Old City, authorities said Tuesday. The assailant, a Turkish national, was shot dead. According to police, the Turkish man rushed at a Border Police cop near the Herod's Gate entrance

and stabbed him in the upper body. The wounded man was taken by the Magen

David Adom ambulance service to Shaare Zedek Medical Center in the capital, which said he was conscious and in moderate condition.

The officer who was stabbed and another cop in the area shot and killed the assailant, police added.

The suspect was later named as Hasan Saklanan, 34. Defense sources said he entered Israel legally on Monday as a visitor, via the Jordan River Crossing with Jordan.

It is extremely rare for a foreign national to carry out an attack in Israel, with no such incidents having taken place in recent memory.



This handout photo shows a knife used by an assailant in an attack in Jerusalem's Old City, April 30, 2024. (Israel Police)

A large number of forces, including police's Jerusalem District chief Doron Turgeman, were at the scene holding an assessment and collecting evidence, law enforcement officials said.

Police later published surveillance camera footage of the attack, showing Saklanan walking behind two police officers before pulling out a knife and trying to stab one of them in the head.

The stabber and the wounded cop are seen in a struggle, as the second officer works to pull the attacker away.

After the wounded officer manages to break free from the assailant, both he and the second cop open fire at Saklanan, killing him.

#### Warning: Graphic

The attack comes a week after three people were lightly wounded in a car-ramming terror attack at two separate locations in Jerusalem. The two alleged perpetrators, Palestinian teenagers, were captured after a brief manhunt.

Tensions in Israel and the West Bank have soared since October 7, when terrorists burst through the Gaza border into Israel in a Hamas-led attack, killing some 1,200 people and seizing 253 hostages. https://www.timesofisrael.com/cop-moderately-hurt-in-jerusalem-stabbing-assailant-identified-as-turkishvisitor/

# Netanyahu says Rafah offensive will go ahead with or without hostage deal

Hamas set to respond Wednesday to proposal said to include 40-day truce, release of almost 1.000 Palestinian prisoners for 20-33 hostages; PM: War won't end until all goals achieved

By <u>Lazar Berman</u> and <u>Tol Staff</u> Today, 4:23 pm



Relatives and supporters of hostages held by Hamas in Gaza since October 7, hold placards and wave Israeli flags during a demonstration calling for their release, Tel Aviv, April 27, 2024. (Jack Guez/AFP)

Israel will launch a ground offensive in Rafah regardless of the success of truce talks, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu pledged Tuesday in a conversation with bereaved families and relatives of hostages opposing a deal with Hamas that would end the war in Gaza before the terror group has been toppled. As Israel awaits a reply to its latest truce offer, it will not yet be sending a delegation to Cairo for hostage release

and ceasefire talks, an Israeli official told The Times of Israel. A Hamas delegation reportedly departed Cairo with a promise to return with a written response to the proposal from Jerusalem.

"The **idea that we will stop the war before achieving all its aims is not an option**," Netanyahu told the hawkish Gvura and Tikva forums, which represent families of some slain soldiers and some of the families of hostages held in Gaza, respectively. "We will enter Rafah and we will eliminate the Hamas battalions there whether or not there is a deal — in order to achieve total victory."

According to a statement released by the Prime Minister's Office, the groups urged Netanyahu and National Security Adviser Tzachi Hanegbi to continue the war and resist international pressure to bring it to a conclusion. Israel's declared twin goals of the war are the destruction of Hamas's military and governance capacity, and the return of all hostages.

The meeting came before Netanyahu was slated to talk with far-right National Security Minister Itamar Ben Gvir, who is also opposed to stopping the war and making concessions to Hamas. Finance Minister Bezalel Smotrich, who has threatened to withdraw from the coalition if such a deal is signed, skipped



Tuesday's cabinet meeting in order to huddle with his Religious Zionism faction amid the disagreement.

Netanyahu, right, meets with members of the Gvura Forum and Tikva Forum in Jerusalem on April 30, 2024. (Kobi Gideon/GPO)

Israel, whose latest offer reportedly includes a 40-day pause in fighting and the release of almost a thousand Palestinian prisoners in exchange for Israeli hostages, is thought to be making "dramatic" concessions, including in lowering the number of hostages it is seeking to see released in a first stage of the deal.

"We will wait for answers on Wednesday night and then decide" on sending a delegation to Cairo for talks, the Israeli official said. Hebrew media

had reported on Monday evening that a delegation was expected to travel to Cairo on Tuesday for talks, but an Israeli official said that discussions were ongoing and no firm decision had been made.

While Israel expects the specific terms of the potential hostage release agreement to change in the coming days if Hamas shows interest in reaching a deal, one of the timelines under discussion is a 10-week pause in the fighting in exchange for 33 living hostages, a different Israeli official told The Times of Israel on Tuesday.

The numbers relate to hostages in a so-called humanitarian category — women, children, men over 50, and those who are sick.

"Israel has gone above and beyond in showing flexibility to reach a deal," the official added. Israel is also open to the possibility of Gazans moving back to the north of the Strip without going through Israeli security checks. One of the possibilities under examination is Egypt being responsible for security checks, the official said, though nothing has been finalized.

In no circumstance would Israel agree to declare an end to the war, the official stressed.

The Wall Street Journal, citing Egyptian officials, said that a proposal that Israel helped draft, but has not yet endorsed, would include "the release of at least 20 hostages over three weeks for an unspecified number of Palestinian prisoners."

The truce could then be extended for one hostage release per day.

It reported that a second phase would include a 10-week truce during which Israel and Hamas would discuss a release of more hostages held in Gaza and a pause in fighting for up to a year. Hamas was initially positive about that proposal but balked over the fact that it does not end the war permanently.

Channel 12 reported Tuesday that Israel is willing to release 900 Palestinian prisoners in exchange for 20-33 hostages — far beyond what it has offered until now — which would translate to 27 to 45 prisoners per hostage.

In March, Israel was willing to release 950 prisoners for 40 hostages. In November, at the height of the ground campaign in Gaza, 240 prisoners were freed in a weeklong truce in exchange for the release of 105 hostages, 81 of whom were Israeli.

Amid the ongoing diplomatic efforts to secure an agreement, US President Joe Biden held phone calls with Egyptian President Abdel-Fattah el-Sissi and Qatari Emir Sheikh Tamim Bin Hamad Al Thani late Monday, confirming that the three countries would "work to ensure the full implementation" of the terms of a potential Gaza ceasefire deal.

In near-identical readouts from the two calls, the White House said Biden told both leaders that the issue of the over 100 hostages held by the terror group since its October 7 massacre in southern Israel "is now the only obstacle to an immediate ceasefire and relief for civilians in Gaza."

The **leaders also discussed the efforts to increase humanitarian aid to the Strip,** the White House added, while the Egyptian president's office said that they noted the dangers of a looming Israel Defense Forces operation in Rafah, where over 1 million Palestinians are sheltering amid the war.

Hebrew media has reported that the Rafah invasion will commence in the next 48 to 72 hours if a hostage release deal is not reached.

IDF Chief of Staff Lt. Gen. Herzi Halevi approved final plans on Monday for military action in Rafah, according to the Ynet news site.

According to the unsourced report, IDF tanks are lined up on the Gaza border and ready for the green light to begin the offensive, considered by Israel to be the final push necessary to uproot Hamas's fighting forces from the Strip, despite warnings of a humanitarian disaster if civilians are not moved out of harm's way.

The **tactical plans were completed over the last few days, according** to Ynet, and include a phased invasion that can be halted or delayed in case of progress in hostage talks.

US Secretary of State Antony Blinken urged Hamas on Monday to swiftly accept Israel's latest and "extraordinarily generous" proposal for a Gaza truce to secure a release of hostages after a senior

official from the Palestinian terror group said it had no "major issues" with the most recent offer. Britain's Foreign Secretary David Cameron also described the Israeli proposal as "generous."

Blinken arrived in Saudi Arabia on Monday, the first stop in his seventh trip to the Middle East since the war in Gaza erupted on October 7, when thousands of terrorists burst across the border into Israel by land, air, and sea,



killing some 1,200 people and seizing 253 hostages, mostly civilians, amid many acts of brutality and sexual assault. Blinken reiterated that the US could not support an Israeli ground operation on Rafah — where Israel says four intact Hamas battalions are holed up — "in the absence of an [Israeli] plan to ensure that civilians will not be harmed."

Palestinians look at the destruction after an Israeli airstrike in Rafah on April 29, 2024. (AP/Mohammad Jahjouh)

Blinken, speaking at the opening of a meeting with Gulf Arab states, said the most effective way to address the ongoing humanitarian crisis in Gaza and create space for a more lasting solution was to get a ceasefire that allowed the release of hostages abducted by Hamas on October 7.

Israel estimates that 129 of those hostages remain in Gaza — not all of them alive — after 105 civilians were released from Hamas captivity during a weeklong truce in late November. Four hostages were released prior to that, and three were rescued by troops. The bodies of eight hostages have also been recovered, and three hostages were mistakenly killed by the military. One more person has been listed as missing since October 7, and their fate is still unknown.

The Hamas-run health ministry in Gaza says that more than 34,000 Palestinians have been killed in the Strip, but the number cannot be independently verified and is believed to include both Hamas fighters and civilians, some of whom were killed as a consequence of the terror group's own rocket misfires.

The Israel Defense Forces says it has killed over 13,000 terrorists in Gaza, in addition to some 1,000 who were killed inside Israel on and immediately following October 7. The army also says 263 soldiers have been killed since the beginning of the ground invasion. https://www.timesofisrael.com/netanyahu-says-rafah-offensive-will-go-ahead-with-or-without-hostage-deal/

# Hamas officials say they will move to Jordan if removed from Qatar

Jordanian security officials estimate Iran behind push for Hamas to return to the kingdom; Jordanian officials insist terror group won't be accepted back

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Senior Hamas officials announced Monday that they will move to Jordan, which has expelled them in the past, if they are forced to leave Qatar. The kingdom issued a statement shortly after saying any Palestinian who requests to move to Jordan will be required to prove they have severed ties with the terrorist group.



Jordan's King Abdullah II, Ismail Haniyeh (Photo: YOAN VALAT/Pool via REUTERS, Majid Asgaripour/WANA (West Asia News Agency)/REUTERS )

Jordanian senior officials rushed to recruit veteran diplomat Ziad Majali, son of one of the kingdom's important and influential families, to attack Hamas' deputy political head Mousa Abu Marzouk, who said: "If Qatar decides to remove us, we'll move to Jordan."

Abu Marzouk chose intentionally to be interviewed by the Iranian channel Al-Alam (The World) to clarify that "many senior officials and positions holders in Hamas are in possession of Jordanian passports or residency visas."

Qatar has hinted at its intention to remove senior Hamas officials from its soil and to close the offices and luxury apartments that have been at their disposal for a decade in the capital, Doha. A clear instruction to leave the life of luxury has not been conveyed to Hamas leadership, but it seems both sides are no longer satisfied with the cooperation, while Qatar also adds the United States is the one that has pressed its officials "to host" the organization's senior leaders and "supervise" their actions.

Meanwhile, Qatari channel Al-Jazeera has geared up to criticize Hamas' leadership and sharply condemn the organization's opponents.



Mousa Abu Marzouk (Photo: AFP PHOTO /HO / GAZA STRIP MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR / WAEL ABU OMAR)

In 1999, Hamas' leadership was permanently expelled from Jordan. Senior Hamas member Khaled Mashal, political head of the terror group Ismail Haniyeh, and their senior aides were required to leave immediately, put on a plane and transferred, by prior coordination between the authorities, to Qatar. "We hold Jordanian

passports. They tell us to move to Syria, Iraq or Turkey, but we intend to move to Jordan," Abu Marzouk said.

The statements reached the Jordanian Royal Palace and security and intelligence establishments, much to their dismay. Majali said in response: "Hamas behaves as if there's no state and no authority in Jordan that will decide and determine how to act and how to conduct itself."

#### He added that "Jordan has closed the book on Palestinian cells - and we do not intend to

**reopen** it." Jordanian intelligence sources estimate that Abu Marzouk didn't hastily choose Jordan as the new target and that the Iranians were the ones behind the idea after trying and failing to bomb Jordan and faced the U.S.-headed coalition acting against them.

"Many Jordanian Palestinians participate in demonstrations in support of Gaza residents, against Israel, every night," said senior Hamas official Osama Hamdan, who serves as Haniyeh's second-in-command.



Osama Hamdan (Photo: AP)

A senior security source in Jordan reported many of those detained during these protests aren't released. "Some of the detainees from the demonstrations," the source said, "are exposed as doing Hamas' leadership's bidding or have received money to attend protests. We keep them in custody because the era of Palestinian

organizations doing as they please in Jordan is over. We're an organized kingdom with policy priorities and won't allow anybody to interfere in our affairs."

Meanwhile, Abu Marzouk's higher-up Haniyeh backed him by saying: "The Jordanian people support the Palestinians and don't accept Hamas's expulsion from Jordan." Haniyeh also criticized senior Jordanian officials including the king, ministers, parliament members and senior security officials, for not sending him their condolence on the deaths of his three children and four grandchildren in the Gaza Strip. https://www.ynetnews.com/article/sjmzida11r

EU top diplomat: At least 5 countries expected to recognize Palestinian state in May

Bloc's foreign policy chief Josep Borrell says countries include Spain, Ireland, Belgium, Slovenia and Malta, as Arab and European officials discuss end to Gaza conflict in Riyadh



By Agencies and Tol Staff Today, 6:08 am

Saudi Foreign Minister Prince Faisal bin Farhan (L) and EU foreign policy chief Josep Borrell attend the World Economic Forum Special Meeting in Riyadh on April 28, 2024. (Photo by Fayez Nureldine / AFP)

Several European member states are expected to recognize Palestinian statehood by the end of May, the European Union's foreign policy chief Josep Borrell said on Monday at the sidelines of a World Economic Forum special meeting in Riyadh.

He said these included Spain, Ireland, Belgium, Slovenia and

Malta.

The meeting between European and Arab officials took place on the sidelines of a two-day World Economic Forum special meeting in Riyadh, with the sides discussing shared partnership in advancing a two-state solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

"If we want to move this two-state solution forward it will not happen from the parties. I do not believe that Israel is ready to negotiate at this point, and I do not think that the US is ready to take the necessary leadership," Norwegian Foreign Minister Espen Barth Eide, one of the organizers of the meeting, told reporters after it concluded.

"So I think an Arab-European leadership is the best we can hope for."

Borrell's comments come amid a series of moves from European countries seeking to recognize Palestinian statehood. Earlier in April, Spanish Prime Minister Pedro Sanchez said his country would recognize Palestinian statehood by July. Sanchez added that that he believed there would



soon be a "critical mass" within the European Union to push several member states to adopt the same position, according to state news agency EFE.

Spain's Prime Minister Pedro Sanchez speaks to the press before a European Council summit at the EU headquarters in Brussels on March 21, 2024. (John Thys/AFP)

Malta, along with Slovenia and Ireland, was said by Sanchez at a March 22 European Council meeting to have agreed to "take the first **steps**" toward recognizing statehood declared by Palestinians in the Israeli-controlled West Bank and Gaza Strip. At the time, Sanchez said he expected the recognition to happen during the current four-year legislature, which began in 2023.

Israel subsequently accused the four countries of offering a "prize for terrorism" that would reduce the chances of a negotiated resolution to the Gaza conflict.

In February, the Knesset voted to back Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's declaration opposing any "unilateral" recognition of a Palestinian state, as international calls grew for the revival of efforts to reach a two-state solution to the decades-long conflict.

Issued amid the ongoing war in Gaza, sparked by Hamas's October 7 onslaught, the Israeli position states that any permanent accord with the Palestinians must be reached through direct negotiations between the sides and not by international dictates.

Arab states and the European Union <u>agreed</u> at a meeting in Spain in November that a two-state solution was the answer to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

Since 1988, 139 out of 193 United Nations member states have recognized Palestinian statehood. <u>https://www.timesofisrael.com/eu-top-diplomat-at-least-5-countries-expected-to-recognize-palestinian-state-in-may/</u>

# Patriot air defenses to be mothballed after decades of mostly gathering dust

Within two months, Air Force will replace aging US-made interceptor with more advanced Israeli systems, including Iron Dome

By Emanuel Fabian Today, 12:33 pm



File: A Patriot battery is seen stationed in northern Israel, August 2, 2018. (Basel Awidat/Flash90)

The Israeli Air Force is set to bid farewell to its aging Patriot missile defense systems in the coming months, replacing the batteries with more advanced air defenses, the military said Tuesday.

In February, the IAF said it was in the process of closing several Patriot batteries, and its staff would be trained to operate the Iron Dome instead.

According to an article published Tuesday on the Israeli military's website, the Patriot array — known

in the IAF as Yahalom, Hebrew for "diamond" — will be deactivated for good within two months. "We are currently in the process of reducing the [number of] batteries until the entire system is closed," said the head of the Aerial Defense Array's 138th Battalion, which operates the Patriot.

US-operated Patriot missile batteries were deployed successfully against some Scud missiles fired from Iraq at Israel during the 1991 Gulf War.

The US-made system officially entered Israeli service that same year, but only made its first interception in 2014, downing a Hamas drone launched from the Gaza Strip.

Over the following decade, the system, designed to shoot down aircraft, intercepted only some 10 targets, according to the military, including Syrian fighter jets that breached Israeli airspace in 2014 and 2018.

The **interceptor has not always stood up to the challenge**, <u>failing to shoot down numerous targets</u> over the years, infamously during the <u>Gulf War</u>.

Amid the ongoing war in the Gaza Strip, **the Patriot has been used a handful of times**, although in most of the cases, interceptors were launched due to false identifications.

The system will now be replaced with more advanced air defense systems, the IAF said.

"We realized that we need to move forward and improve our defense methods. The innovations in the [air defense] array bring a better operational and maintenance response," the battalion commander said.



The trail left in the sky by a Patriot missile, as seen in the northern Israeli city of Safed, October 12, 2023. (David Cohen/Flash90) The lowest layer of Israel's multi-tiered air defense system is the short-range Iron Dome, which has downed tens of thousands of rockets, mortars, and drones launched at Israel since 2011.

The middle tier is the David's Sling system, which is designed to shoot down medium-range projectiles.

The longest-range systems are the Arrow, designed to intercept large ballistic missiles. The announcement comes two weeks after

Israel's air defense array was put to its largest-ever test with the launch of hundreds of missiles and drones from Iran, almost all of which were downed with the help of the US, Jordan, the UK, and France.

It is unclear what will happen with the Patriot batteries, which are highly sought by Ukraine as it seeks to defend its skies against Russian missiles. <u>https://www.timesofisrael.com/patriot-air-defenses-to-be-mothballed-after-decades-of-mostly-gathering-dust/</u>

# UN Palestinian agency chief seeks probe into treatment of Gaza staff by Israel

A review of the agency's neutrality said Israel had yet to provide evidence for its accusations that a significant number of UNRWA staff were members of terrorist groups

By REUTERS APRIL 30, 2024 15:59

The head of the UN agency for Palestinian refugees (UNRWA) called on Tuesday for countries to back an independent investigation into alleged killings and detentions of its staff and damage to its premises once the Israel-Hamas conflict ends.

UNRWA has accused Israel of targeting its facilities during more than seven months of conflict in the Gaza Strip, and said 182 of its staff there had been killed and more than 160 of its shelters hit, resulting in the deaths of hundreds of people fleeing Israeli bombardment.

After briefing UN member states in Geneva, UNRWA Commissioner-General Philippe Lazzarini told reporters he wanted the countries to back an independent investigation "to look into this blatant disregard of the United Nations in order to avoid that this becomes also in the future the new standard."

Lazzarini said Israel blocked him from entering Gaza last month, and that he plans to visit again on Sunday. He voiced hope that Israel would let him in.

### A review of UNRWA

UNRWA is the biggest humanitarian aid provider in Gaza where its 13,000 staff there also run schools and social services for the refugees who make up the majority of Gazans. The so called schools are nothing more than terrorist indoctrination centers. They should have been banned years ago, - rdb

Israel accuses 19 of its staff members of taking part in the Oct. 7 Hamas attacks against Israel that killed 1,200 people and triggered Israel's military offensive.

Hamas-run health authorities in Gaza claim more than 34,000 Palestinians have been killed in the offensive, intended by Israel to eliminate the Palestinian militant group.

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has called for UNRWA to be shut down, saying it seeks to preserve the issue of Palestinian refugees.

A review of the agency's neutrality said Israel had yet to provide evidence for its accusations that a significant number of UNRWA staff were members of terrorist groups and Lazzarini said that all but a handful of countries had now unblocked funds they had paused after the Israeli allegations.

The agency has also raised \$115 million in private funding, he said.

Another UN investigation into the allegations against UNRWA staff members is still under way. Food and other humanitarian aid supplies to Gaza have improved in April, but there is still far from enough to reverse the trend towards famine, he said. <u>https://www.jpost.com/middle-east/un-palestinian-agency-chief-seeks-probe-into-treatment-of-gaza-staff-by-israel-799208</u>

# German ambassador attacked by Palestinian mob during Ramallah visit

Owcza downplayed the incident in a post on X, stating, "Peaceful protest [and] dialogue always has its place.

By TOVAH LAZAROFF APRIL 30, 2024 14:40 Updated: APRIL 30, 2024 20:15

German Representative to the Palestinian Authority Oliver Owcza was heckled and his vehicle was attacked by a student mob during his visit to Birzeit University outside of Ramallah in the West Bank on Tuesday.

Videos posted on social media showed him walking quickly to his car, wearing a suit and holding a briefcase, as protesters followed him.

Other video clips also showed how a mob surrounded the vehicle, threw objects at it, kicked the vehicle and broke off a side mirror to show their anger over Germany's support for Israel in its war against Hamas in Gaza.

He had been there for a meeting with European Union heads of missions to the PA at the National Museum.

#### Statement by the German representative

Owcza downplayed the incident in a post on X, stating, "Peaceful protest [and] dialogue always has its place.

"We regret that today's meeting of EU Heads of Missions at the National Museum in Birzeit was unduly interrupted by protestors.

"Nevertheless, we remain committed to constructively work[ing] with our Palestinian partners!" he stated. Germany's Ambassador to Israel, Stefen Seibert, wrote on X, "I am fine as I was not affected by the incident in #Birzeit, which is outside my area of responsibility. I am glad that all my colleagues based in Ramallah are reported to be ok."

According to Al Jazeera, the German Ambassador in Pakistan was heckled at a human rights conference over his country's stand on the Gaza war. <u>https://www.jpost.com/breaking-news/article-799190</u>

# Russian State-Controlled TV: If NATO Troops Enter Ukraine , SARMAT, YARS, and Avangard (Nukes) Will Hit NATO Decision-Making Centers

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State-controlled Russian TV today broadcast a direct announcement of Russia's intent to fire nuclear weapons at NATO Decision-making centers if NATO troops enter Ukraine to battle Russia. The words aired were so blunt as to be undeniable..

Here is the segment of Russia state-controlled TV broadcast today as a warning to the entire West: to article for video. rdb

So there it is. Plain. Simple. Easy to understand. Even the village idiot can grasp this.

"If NATO Troops enter Ukraine to inflict strategic

<mark>defeat upon Russia . . . . everything will fly: SARMAT, YARS, AVANGARD." Those are Russia's nuclear weapons system names</mark>. WHY NOW?

.... Why broadcast this .... now? Why <u>now</u>?

Could it be because elements from the French Army have, in fact, deployed to Odessa, Ukraine?

Could the RUMORS which claim elements of the US 101st Airborne have also deployed to Odessa, Ukraine, be Russia's reason for airing this, now?

We already know that France deployed elements of the French Foreign Legion into Slavyansk, Ukraine, and the Russians blew them up with missile strikes about 48 hours after they got there.

We already know that Polish, Romanian, and other NATO-country troops, were hit by Russian missiles at a hotel in Dnipropetrovsk last week. A slew of them got killed too.

So what is it about developments in Ukraine that caused Russia to instruct it's state-controlled TV, to make such a blunt, unmistakable, broadcast, **Now????** 

I think something's up. I think the Russians either know . . . or are seeing . . . Deployment of NATO troops into Ukraine.

If you haven't watched the video, it clearly warns "NATO Decision-making centers are already in the crosshairs, and if NATO troops enter Ukraine to inflict strategic defeat upon Russia, everything will fly: SARMAT, YARS, and AVANGARD."

There's no wiggle room in that language. There's no nuance. No ambiguity.

I thought you should know while there's still time to try to prepare. Make plans. Buy supplies.

But clearly, there doesn't seem to be very much time left -- at all.

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# The great Russian attack in Kharkiv is approaching: Sweeps of mercenaries

#### Preparatory operations before the Russian attack

The forces of the new military formation of the "North" are bombing positions of the Ukrainian armed forces in Kharkov. All indications indicate that these are preparatory operations just before the start of the main attack.

So far, weapons warehouses, air defense radar sites, military forces concentration points, artillery units, etc. have been hit.

The Russians claim that a large gathering of foreign mercenaries has been hit. According to the Russians, 150 "mercenaries" (other sources foreign military advisers) from central and eastern Europe had been gathered in two buildings in Kharkov.

About 40 were killed instantly and 55 were seriously injured.

#### Watch the video

A reconnaissance UAV operator detected a temporary deployment point for foreign mercenaries of the Ukrainian Armed Forces in Kharkiv. Further intelligence indicated that more than 150 mercenaries were located in two buildings.

A high-precision missile strike was carried out... pic.twitter.com/IPzpZ2bF60

MD (Distantearth83) April 28, 2024

# Bombings of Ukrainian positions in Kharkov

More specifically, the Russian air force carried out a series of attacks against Ukrainian targets in the Kharkiv region. Targets were hit in the wider region and in the center of Kharkov.

According to the latest data, the Russians destroyed bases of the Ukrainian armed forces along with foreign mercenaries.

Ukrainian sites north of the city were also bombed. Roads, Ukrainian forces concentrations and accounting hubs were hit in the Tsirkuny and Russkie Tishki regions.

Antage warehouses were also fired at Liptsy.

Kiev sees these bombings as "an element of the preparation of the Russian army for a large-scale attack in the Kharkiv region."

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# Special NATO meeting on the Baltic: Russian EW systems "bomb" all states in the region causing a "No Fly Zone" - suspended flights

Problems in thousands of ships and aircraft

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Latvia, Estonia and Lithuania have officially blamed Russia for a Baltic GPS signal blackout, fully confirming an earlier report by War News 24/7. The same move will be made in the next few days by Finland, Sweden and Norway.

These countries have requested a special NATO meeting as according to Baltic military sources *"the situation appears to be much more serious"*.

#### Also Read: Baltic 'Dead' for 63 Hours: Russia Responds to NATO Plan 'Orsha' with Total Blackout and MiG-311 Takeoff with Kinzhal

Russia, still unknown how and with which or which systems, has killed the entire Baltic creating many problems for ships, planes, etc. From Poland to Sweden, the Gulf of Finland there is no GPS signal.

Military sources and NATO analysts said that the source of Russian electronic warfare is likely not one:

One appears to be based in Kaliningrad, another is responsible for interference in Estonia and Finland, and another source affects Norway and Finland.

It is important to emphasize that GPS signal jamming is not constant and does not occur only in a specific country or region, which means that it is a controlled jamming process with specific targets.

Concern has intensified in recent days as Russia has established an informal "No Fly Zone" in the Baltic. All three states in the region are concerned about **"Russian attack preparations".** 

We remind you that Russian electronic warfare systems, according to the admission of the US and Ukraine, have disabled critical GPS-based weapons systems. GPS jamming over the Estonia and the Gulf of Finland as of yesterday. https://t.co/Un45o3tywv pic.twitter.com/cgoretOWp3

Kyle Glen (@KyleJGlen) April 29, 2024

#### I strongly accuse the Baltic states

Estonia has accused Russia of violating international airspace rules by jamming GPS signals. The country's foreign minister said he would raise the issue with his NATO and European Union partners.

"GPS interference in Estonian airspace by the Russian Federation has affected civil aviation in our region. Russia is violating international rules," Estonian Foreign Minister Margus Chakna said.

"We see what is happening with GPS as part of Russia's hostile actions and we will certainly discuss this with our allies." These are "hybrid attacks", he added.

Neither the Kremlin nor Russia's defense ministry immediately responded to requests for comment.

Tsakna said Estonia will discuss the issue with other NATO and EU countries and has already discussed it with his counterparts in Latvia, Lithuania, Finland and Sweden.

"If someone turns off your headlights while you're driving at night, the journey becomes dangerous. The situation in the Baltic region near Russia's border has now become too dangerous to ignore," said Lithuanian Foreign Minister Gabrielius Landsbergis.

Is Russia jamming the Baltic airspace?

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#### **Russia defends traditional values the West has abolished – Dugin to Carlson** *The Western world has abandoned classical liberalism in favor of a new version defined by the rule of minorities and woke-ism, the Russian philosopher explained*



#### Aleksandr Dugin. © RT

The ever-growing anti-Russia sentiment in the West stems from the fact that Russia adheres to traditional values that Western "progressives" are trying to destroy, philosopher and political commentator Aleksandr Dugin said in an interview with journalist Tucker Carlson that was posted on the latter's YouTube channel on Monday.

During the interview, Dugin laid out his view of the contemporary Western world and what he sees as the

historical origins of its current ideology. He explained that the West has moved from "classical liberalism" – which professed individual freedom and democracy as understood as the rule of the majority – to a "new liberalism" defined by the rule of minorities and woke-ism. Rather than emphasizing freedom of the individual, the new incarnation of liberalism prescribes adherence to certain progressive values that are completely at odds with traditional values and in fact seeks to abolish them.

**Carlson asked Dugin why many Westerners, even those who previously supported the Soviet Union, turned against Russia when President Vladimir Putin came to power in the early 2000s** and started professing Russophobic ideas. The philosopher said that *"Putin is a traditional leader"* who defends traditional values, which run counter to those currently in vogue in the West.

"When [Putin] came to power, from the very beginning, he started to extract Russia from global influence. He started to contradict the global progressive agenda... tried with success to restore traditional values – sovereignty of the state, Christianity, traditional family," he said, explaining that Western progressives saw these developments as being in opposition to their values.

This hatred is not something casual... it's metaphysical. If your main task and main goal is to destroy traditional values – traditional family, traditional state, traditional relations, traditional beliefs – and someone with a nuclear weapon... stands strong defending traditional values you are going to abolish – they have some basis for this Russophobia and hatred for Putin.

In 2022, Dugin's daughter Darya was killed in a car bombing in Moscow, which the Russian authorities claim was orchestrated by Ukrainian agents, a version also expressed by the US government. Darya, a journalist and political activist in her own right, was a vocal supporter of Russia's military operation against Kiev.

**Russophobic sentiment has been growing exponentially in light of the Russia-Ukraine conflict**, the outbreak of which in 2022 the West has blamed squarely on Russia. NATO has branded Russia the "*most significant and direct threat*" to its members' peace and security, and many Western leaders have claimed that Moscow would attack Europe if it secures victory in Ukraine.

Russia has repeatedly said it has no such plans, with Putin last month dismissing such claims as *"nonsense."* Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov last week called such ideas *"horror stories"* made up to divert attention from domestic problems in the West. <u>https://www.rt.com/russia/596797-philosopher-cause-west-russophobia/</u>

# US diplomats 'living in Wonderland' – Moscow

Washington insists the Ukraine conflict must be settled based on the UN Charter, but backs Kiev's 'peace formula,' the Foreign Ministry says

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Russian Foreign Ministry's spokesperson Maria Zakharova. © Sputnik/Ramil Sitdikov US calls for Russia to hold talks on ending the Ukraine conflict seem detached from reality and ignore Moscow's previous attempts to reach a settlement, Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Maria Zakharova has said.

US Secretary of State Antony Blinken insisted on Monday that

**Moscow's alleged plans "to erase Ukraine from the map... failed." He added that he hopes Russian President Vladimir Putin has taken note of Western support for Ukraine**, "gets the message, and demonstrates a willingness to genuinely negotiate consistent with the basic principles... of the international community and the UN Charter: sovereignty, territorial integrity, independence."

Responding to Blinken's remarks later that day, Zakharova said American politicians seem to live in a "mirror world."

She recalled that in 2014 and 2015, Russia "showed respect for international law" by promoting the now-defunct Minsk agreements, which sought to end the bloodshed in the region by giving the two Donbass republics special status within the Ukrainian state.

Moscow has claimed that Kiev and Western countries never intended to implement the deal in the first place. Former Ukrainian President Pyotr Poroshenko, ex-German Chancellor Angela Merkel, and ex-French President Francois Hollande have admitted that the primary purpose of the agreements was to help Kiev buy time to build a stronger military force.

Zakharova also noted that Moscow was ready to engage in peace talks in 2022. At the time, negotiations in Istanbul, Türkiye initially made headway, but later collapsed after what Russia claims

was interference by then-UK Prime Minister Boris Johnson, who allegedly advised Kiev to keep fighting. Johnson has denied the accusation.

The spokeswoman stated that Blinken himself had proposed settling the conflict "based not on international law," but on the 'peace formula' proposed by Ukrainian President Vladimir Zelensky, which demands that Russia withdraw all troops from the territory Kiev claims as its own and includes several other clauses that Moscow has rejected as unacceptable.

"Everything has gone haywire in the White House," Zakharova said.

Moscow maintains that it is open to talks with Ukraine. However, Zelensky signed a decree in autumn 2022 barring negotiations with the current leadership in Moscow. The move came after four former Ukrainian regions voted overwhelmingly to join Russia. <u>https://www.rt.com/russia/596807-us-diplomacy-mirror-world/</u>

## AstraZeneca admits Covid vaccine could have potentially fatal side effect

*The UK-Swedish pharmaceutical company has admitted its product could cause blood clots in rare cases* 30 Apr, 2024 08:51

Pharmaceutical giant AstraZeneca has for the first time admitted that its Covid-19 vaccine could cause a rare side effect that can lead to blood clots and death, according to court documents.

The company is fighting a class action lawsuit alleging that its inoculation, which was developed in collaboration with the University of Oxford, can result in death and serious injury.

The legal battle was initiated by Jamie Scott, a father of two, who suffered a blood clot that left him with brain damage after he was vaccinated in April 2021 in the midst of the Covid-19 pandemic. He is seeking compensation over claims that the AstraZeneca vaccine is *"defective"* and less safe than was expected, an allegation the company denies.

In May 2023, AstraZeneca also insisted that "we do not accept that TTS [Thrombosis with Thrombocytopenia Syndrome] is caused by the vaccine at a generic level," as quoted by The Daily Telegraph.

TTS is a rare condition, in which a person develops blood clots which can reduce blood flow when combined with a low platelet count, prompting difficulties with stopping bleeding. TTS symptoms include severe headaches and abdominal pain.

Despite previous denials, AstraZeneca said in documents which were submitted to the UK High Court in February, that "it is admitted that the AZ vaccine can, in very rare cases, cause TTS. The causal mechanism is not known."

"Further, TTS can also occur in the absence of the AZ vaccine (or any vaccine)," the company added, as quoted by the Telegraph.

AstraZeneca insists the available data shows the drug has "an acceptable safety profile," and that "regulators around the world consistently state that the benefits of vaccination outweigh the risks of extremely rare potential side effects."

**Dozens of Western countries suspended the use of AstraZeneca's vaccine** in the spring of 2021 over fears it may have caused some patients to develop blood clots. At the time, the head of the European Medicines Agency's (EMA) vaccines strategy, Marco Cavaleri, said that there was an evident link between AZ vaccine intake and blood clots in the brain, but maintained that the benefits still outweighed the risks.

According to World Health Organization data, the AstraZeneca coronavirus vaccine has an efficacy of 72%. As of April 2021, over 17 million people had received the jab in the EU and the UK, with just under 40 cases of thrombosis reported, according to the company. https://www.rt.com/news/596798-astrazeneca-vaccine-blood-clots/



# Evidence suggests Biden may have 'set up' Trump in documents case

**GSA ordered '45' to pick up six pallets of papers** By <u>Bob Unruh</u> Published April 29, 2024 at 3:17pm

FBI photo of documents seized in the raid of former President Trump's Mar-a-Lago estate.

Investigative reporter Julie Kelly has uncovered a stunning witness statement that suggests, very strongly, that Joe Biden set up President Donald Trump's "documents" criminal case.

On social media, she posted an excerpt of testimony from an FBI agent being grilled about Trump's possession of his own presidential papers at his home in Mar-a-Lago.

Those were the papers that apparently were targeted by an FBI SWAT-style raid on Trump's home.

And the papers were similar to the ones Joe Biden had concealed in an office, in his home and in his unsecured garage, before a special counsel recommended against charging him because of his "diminished" capacities.

The difference is that those papers were from when Biden was vice president and he never had authority to declassify them. Trump, as president, did. And the case against Trump is considered by many analysts to be part of a massive "lawfare" war against Trump, with the goal by Democrats of undermining, or even killing, his 2024 presidential campaign.

Kelly's posting included this from an agent: "One of the things I wanted to talk about, if you remember sometime after the administration ended, GSA had approximately six pallets of items, boxes I believe, that were stored in Virginia. And at some point – I guess there were (sic) maybe a time limit, I'm not entirely sure - they contacted the office of 45 to inform them that, you know, they have to go. They – someone has to pick them up, or they have to be shipped, or something to that effect."

Kelly noted, "WELL WELL I am pretty sure we never heard this part of the 'classifieds' documents/box' story! ... FBI agent says GSA was holding large quantity of Trump's boxes in VA and then ordered his team to come get them. I am sure NOTHING hanky happened there..."

A report at PJMedia, which described the revelation as a "new bombshell," noted that Judge Aileen Cannon, hearing claims by the Biden administration that Trump illegally had his presidential papers in his home, "unsealed a trove of new documents that (special counsel) Jack Smith fought to keep hidden."

Those included exchanges of information among the Biden administration and others about a case against Trump.

The report charged, "So, it appears that the Biden administration may have been responsible for shipping classified information to Trump's Mar-a-Lago home in Florida. This development is significant because Trump has previously blamed the GSA for packing the boxes that contained the classified documents..."

The feds later accused Trump of "stealing" the documents, and used that as a "pretext" for the Mara-Lago FBI raid in August 2022.

"It was a set-up from the get-go," Tom Fitton of government watchdog Judicial Watch told the publication.

The report explained, "While this **may not prove the Biden administration set up Trump in the** classified documents case, considering the way the Biden administration has abused the legal system against Trump, no one can confidently say they wouldn't."

But it noted other questions that now have arisen.

"If the GSA had been in possession of the boxes, why wasn't a review of the materials conducted before they instructed Trump's team to get them? When it comes to classified information, they wouldn't have expected Trump and his staff to be responsible for ensuring that classified documents weren't among the records. Perhaps they did review the contents of the boxes and knew classified documents were contained in them before they told Trump's people to come get them." https://www.wnd.com/2024/04/evidencesuggests-biden-may-set-trump-documents-case/

#### **OP ED**

# And The Truth About Protest Monitoring

John Nantz | Apr 30, 2024

Last week, during an interview with NBC's Lester Holt, FBI Director Chris Wray said that the FBI doesn't "monitor protests." Subsequently, an incredulous public response ensued via every social media platform imaginable.

Having supervised the FBI's Washington Field Office (WFO) surveillance squads, I can say with complete confidence that the FBI does monitor protests. But, that statement doesn't necessarily contradict Director Wray's comments to Holt.

During the summer of "mostly peaceful" protests in 2020, the FBI was involved in monitoring protestors — more accurately described as rioters. The BLM movement, supplemented by ANTIFA anarchists, capitalized on the use of force incident that resulted in the death of George Floyd. Despite Floyd's extensive criminal record, and the toxic levels of fentanyl and methamphetamine in his body at the time of his death, Floyd was lionized by BLM activists. He was simply a catalyst for leftists waiting for an opportunity to agitate and profit. Former Baltimore Police officer Eric Garner's use of force continues to be hotly debated, and the now infamous phrase "I can't breathe" was used by BLM agitators to spark a wave of rioting, looting, destruction, and death not seen since the LA riots of 1992.

A more effective action program could not have been concocted in Moscow or Beijing. All of America was focused on the anarchy unleashed in the name of police brutality and institutional racism. Americans would do well to remember, chaos is an often utilized technique of foreign adversaries in ongoing efforts to weaken American influence abroad. While social media pundits play checkers, foreign intelligence services play three dimensional chess, often co-opting domestic issues and media voices obsessed with pursuing their own interests to the detriment of institutions tasked with national security responsibilities.

As citizens, we should be thoroughly skeptical of those who advocate for the dismantlement of any component of our national security apparatus. Because, quite simply, that is also the goal of every foreign intelligence service which exists, solely to advance tyranny. Though abuses abound throughout the intelligence community, only robust efforts to reform can balance the critical interests of civil liberties and national survival. It is a fact that we are currently in an asymmetric life and death battle, struggling against a fifth column, and its useful idiots, as well as existential external threats.

Though the FBI tasked surveillance resources to monitor BLM and ANTIFA riots, that allocation of resources paled in comparison to the response to January 6th (J6) protests on Capitol Hill in 2021. During my twenty year career as an FBI agent, I had never witnessed an investigation of such scale and proportion. The J6 investigation involved every FBI division and resulted in the creation of three new WFO squads dedicated to the J6 matter. In fact, after my retirement as a supervisor, my supervisory position was reassigned to one of the J6 squads, leaving a single supervisor to manage WFO's surveillance operations. Hardly ideal.

The common denominator between the BLM and ANTIFA riots and the J6 protests is violence. However, the scale of the violence involved in both events in is no way comparable. And, the violence perpetrated on J6 can be reasonably attributed to anarchist elements like ANTIFA. As Americans have witnessed since the release of J6 footage, the vast majority of people on Capitol Hill that day were conducting themselves in a peaceful manner. No law enforcement deaths were involved — that Democrat canard has been thoroughly debunked. The only homicide that day was perpetrated on Ashli Babbitt by Capitol Police Officer Michael Byrd.

However, threats of violence have been the pretext for DOJ intrusion into local school board matters, and has resulted in the furor directed at the FBI surveillance of soccer moms. As disconcerting as this is, it should be more properly viewed as a Biden administration abuse of the DOJ and FBI through it's feckless instrumentalities, Attorney General Merrick Garland and FBI Director Chris Wray. Either could have refused to utilize FBI surveillance resources in that way. I've personally conducted countless surveillance operations on domestic criminal, counterterrorism, and counterintelligence targets at sensitive locations. I can't say I would have been comfortable surveilling a soccer mom in her minivan, but it's a far more innocuous enterprise than the public has been led to believe. Most agents are common sense people, many from military and local law enforcement backgrounds. Rest assured, they aren't shy about being vocal when tasked with something they view as spurious and a waste of investigative resources. It's not a popular or clickbait-worthy bit of information, but it happens to be the truth.

The recent eruption of Hamas activism on college campuses has many people clamoring for FBI involvement — by many of the same dolts who have been militating for defunding, abolishing, or otherwise deconstructing a critical component of our national security apparatus. It all just sounds so bolshevik to me. Maybe that's because I'm an old counterintelligence agent, and I spent a lot of time peering into the hall of mirrors. In any case, the FBI may very well be watching these Hamas stooges. In fact, if I were a betting man, I'd put money on it.

The occurrence or substantive threat of violence is usually the trigger for the assignment of FBI surveillance

resources to an otherwise First Amendment protected activity. And that's what Director Wray was getting at when he said, "Of course demonstrations themselves are not something that we, the FBI, get involved in, but when violence ensues, that's when we get concerned, when you have threats of violence." You probably haven't heard that quote from Holt's interview. That's because social media pundits can't twist you up and drive you to their content with a reasonable response.

So, the FBI does monitor protests — violent ones, and that's basically what Wray said. But, I'm not suggesting citizens should relax, not with a cadre of DEI employees flooding the ranks. Trump can undo, with the stroke of a pen, what Biden has managed to corrupt. And he should on day one.

https://townhall.com/columnists/johnnantz/2024/04/30/behind-the-scenes-fbi-surveillance-and-the-truth-about-protest-monitoring-n2638440

# Did the Biden Regime Green-Light Arrest Warrants for Israeli Leaders?

#### Including Netanyahu?

April 30, 2024 by Robert Spencer 14 Comments

# If a Wednesday report in the Israeli media is accurate, this is one of the most, if not the most, craven betrayal of an ally in American history, and in the entire world's history.

The Israeli journalist Amit Segal published a Hebrew-language story in the popular Israeli news outlet <u>Mako</u> that reveals an American betrayal of Israel of stupefying magnitude. "Very senior officials associated with the International Criminal Court in The Hague," wrote Segal, "have spoken about Israel's fear of arrest warrants for senior officials in the context of the war in Gaza. The officials told N12 [Mako's broadcast channel] that the intention to issue such orders would not have been possible without American consent."

The threat of arrest from the International Criminal Court is not hanging over the heads of minor officials only. "Last week," Segal reports, "the Prime Minister's Office held an urgent discussion on the issue, in which serious concerns were raised about allowing the issuance of arrest warrants against senior Israeli security and political leaders, including against Netanyahu himself." This could all happen quickly: "Reports that have recently arrived in Jerusalem," Segal continues, "indicate that the chance of issuing arrest warrants has increased dramatically, possibly as soon as next month."

Segal noted that this was happening with American approval: "Regarding the intention to issue arrest warrants for senior Israelis, the sources at The Hague said that it is impossible that the chief prosecutor would have decided on such a dramatic step, in a war that is still ongoing, with very little evidence, if he had not at least had a 'green light' from the Americans. If this is true, this is another and unprecedented low in relations between Israel and the US, at a very sensitive time, on the eve of the ground entry to Rafah."

Could this possibly be true? Segal is a bona fide reporter and Mako is a reliable news outlet, so there is no immediate indication that it isn't. But would the U.S. stand by and allow the head of government of a key ally to be arrested on what will no doubt be bogus charges of "genocide"? Sure, if it's Israel we're talking about. When it comes to how the Biden regime and Israel, Segal's report is altogether plausible. After all, the dementia-addled corruptocrat has <u>called</u> Netanyahu a "bad f\*\*king guy." The Biden regime, avid to placate its far-left and pro-jihad base in hopes of keeping Michigan voting Democrat in November, <u>refused</u> to stop a UN resolution calling for a ceasefire in Gaza, which would allow Hamas to survive and murder more Israeli civilians.

And so while it is horrifying that the Biden regime would treat an ally in this way, it is no great surprise.

What's more, the groundwork for this fresh betrayal has been laid for a long time. According to his sources in the International Criminal Court, wrote Segal, "the chief prosecutor in The Hague, Karim Khan, was elected to his position three years ago with American assistance. After being elected, Khan closed two cases that greatly troubled the Americans: one related to undeclared detention cells related to Afghanistan in Europe, and the other also related to war crimes committed in Afghanistan." It is thus exceedingly unlikely that Khan is going to regard any case that Israel makes favorably. And remember, he owes his position to Old Joe Biden and his handlers.

The Israeli government is doing all it can to head this off: "At the end of the discussion, a decision was made to try to take some last-minute urgent actions in front of the court in The Hague and in front of influential political parties, in order to prevent the issuance of the arrest warrants. Also in his meetings with the foreign ministers of Great Britain and Germany in Jerusalem, Prime Minister Netanyahu asked for their assistance in the issue before the court."

That may work. Whether or not these arrest warrants are issued, however, this is yet another black day for

U.S./Israel relations. Consider, by way of comparison, the fact that the U.S. has never green-lighted International Criminal Court arrest warrants for the Ayatollah Khamenei or other key members of Iran's Islamic regime, despite that regime's vicious repression of its own people. Instead, Old Joe sent the mullahs <u>ten billion dollars</u>, thereby becoming a chief financier of Hamas (which Iran bankrolls) while continuing to claim that his support for Israel was "ironclad." Nor has the U.S. green-lighted any arrest warrants for Kim Jong Un, or Syria's Bashar Assad, or any other repressive dictator. In its recent human rights report, the State Department <u>treated</u> Israel as if it were a human rights abuser on par with Iran and Afghanistan.

It's easy to see where this is tending. If the Biden regime gets four more years, the U.S. will turn against Israel entirely, isolating the Jewish state on the world stage as it faces a threat to its very survival. If jihadis succeed in destroying Israel and turn against America with new energy and enthusiasm, will any of the leftist policy wonks ever have a tinge of regret for how they destroyed the U.S./Israeli alliance? Not on your life. They'll still be congratulating themselves for standing for a "Free Palestine" even if ululations of "Allahu akbar" are the last thing they hear in their final agonizing moments. <a href="https://www.frontpagemag.com/did-the-biden-regime-green-light-arrest-warrants-for-israeli-leaders/">https://www.frontpagemag.com/did-the-biden-regime-green-light-arrest-warrants-for-israeli-leaders/</a>