

HOTSPOT HORIZON™

Weekly Global Threat & Cyber Intelligence Report

Report Date: 13 April 2026. Events Analyzed: 480 classified events. Kinetic / Cyber: 433 / 55. Critical Events: 159. Model: RF + Isotonic Cal. Edition: 003

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▲ WITH MODERATE CONFIDENCE, DIRECT ISRAELI-IRANIAN MILITARY CONFRONTATION
▲ WITH MODERATE CONFIDENCE, ISRAEL AND IRAN ARE ENGAGED IN ACTIVE INTERS
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LEAD STORY — SEVERITY 5 | CENTCOM
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LEAD CYBER STORY — SEVERITY 5 | GLOBAL
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With moderate confidence, the Iranian government deliberately imposed a near-total internet blackout on its civilian population within approximately four hours of Israeli-American military strikes, consistent with a campaign of state information repression and wartime communications control.

SECTION 01 KEY JUDGMENTS

Table with 2 columns: Confidence Level (Moderate, Low) and Key Judgment text. Includes judgments about US aerial strikes, Israeli strikes on Hezbollah, Iranian military hostilities, and Israeli military warnings.

SECTION 02 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

With moderate confidence, the United States has initiated or is conducting a sustained aerial strike campaign against Iran projected to last multiple weeks, representing a major escalation to direct interstate armed conflict.

Secondary kinetic activity of analytical significance is recorded across Lebanon, Israel. The United States has initiated a sustained multi-week aerial strike campaign against Iran, representing a significant escalation to direct interstate armed conflict with high probability of regional Organizations with operational exposure across the CENTCOM AOR should maintain elevated posture and conduct immediate 72-hour routing and staffing reviews for affected locations.

The cyber threat environment contributes 55 classified events in the current cycle, driven by Iranian Government, Iranian-Affiliated APT Actors, PRC State-Sponsored APT (Salt Typhoon / OPERATOR PANDA / RedMike / UNC5807 / GhostEmperor). Nation-state cyber operations are assessed as operating in parallel with kinetic conflict dynamics — a convergence pattern that elevates the overall threat environment beyond what either domain represents in isolation.

SECTION 03 HOTSPOT RANKINGS — ABSOLUTE & SURGE

Two tables: COUNTRY HOTSPOTS — ABSOLUTE INTENSITY and COUNTRY SURGES — FASTEST WORSENING (Q90). Lists countries like Iran, Lebanon, Palestinian Territories, Nigeria, Sudan, Ukraine, Russia, Saudi Arabia, Pakistan, and Israel with their respective scores and surge status.

Two tables: CITY HOTSPOTS — TOP 10 and CITY SURGES — TOP 10. Lists cities like Tehran, Gaza, Kutum, Beirut, Islamabad, Riyadh, Pyongyang, Baghdad, East Jerusalem, London, and Bushehr with their scores and surge status.

SECTION 04 TOP INCIDENTS — POLITICAL VIOLENCE

- With moderate confidence, the United States has initiated or is conducting a sustained aerial strike
● With moderate confidence, Israeli military forces conducted airstrikes targeting Hezbollah in Lebanon
● With moderate confidence, direct Israeli-Iranian military confrontation is escalating as of mid-June
● With moderate confidence, Israel and Iran are engaged in active interstate warfare now entering its
● With moderate confidence, an active Israel-Iran inter-state armed conflict is ongoing as of Day 3, w

SECTION 05 CYBER THREAT INTELLIGENCE

- Iranian Government
Iranian-Affiliated APT Actors
PRC State-Sponsored APT (Salt Typhoon / OPERATOR PANDA / Red
Handala / Handala Hack (attributed to Void Manticore)
TeamPCP (UNC6780)
Unknown Threat Actor(s)

SECTION 06 ESCALATION FORECASTS — 7 / 30 / 60 / 90 DAY

Table with 6 columns: Country/City, Theater, 7 Day, 30 Day, 60 Day, 90 Day, Trajectory. Shows escalation forecasts for various regions like Iran, Palestinian Territories, Lebanon, Nigeria, Saudi Arabia, Pakistan, Ukraine, Russia, Israel, North Korea, Iraq, Sudan, Tehran, Gaza, and Beirut.

Model confidence declines with horizon — 7d: 85% | 30d: 72% | 60d: 62% | 90d: 50%. Forecasts calibrate with increasing precision as historical event database accumulates across collection cycles.

SECTION 07 INDICATORS & WARNING

Table with 3 columns: Maximum Concern, Active Watch — Surging, Cyber Monitor. Lists indicators such as 'Iran has initiated or is conducting a sustained aerial strike campaign against Iran' and 'Iranian government deliberately imposed a near-total internet blackout'.

SECTION 08 30-DAY OUTLOOK

VERIDION ANALYTICAL OUTLOOK — 13 APRIL 2026 | 30-DAY ASSESSMENT | ICD 208 COMPLIANT
The United States has initiated a sustained multi-week aerial strike campaign against Iran, representing a significant escalation to direct interstate armed conflict with high probability of regional spillover and retaliatory actions by Iranian proxies.

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SECTION 10 METHODOLOGY & SOURCE NOTES

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