

## Chaos in Ukrainian EDs: They withdraw falling into minefields - Four Russian VDV capture 11 Ukrainians - Kiev lost 4,100 soldiers in one week!

*Endless bloodshed for Ukrainian army - It has lost 71,500 soldiers since the counter-offensive began*

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The counterattack of the Ukrainians is developing into a massacre, since as the Russians announced, from the beginning of the offensive actions of Ukraine on June 4, 2023 to September 11, 2023, 71,500 Ukrainian soldiers have been killed.

The counter-offensive turned out to be a meat grinder, consistently mowing down the Ukrainians themselves.

It is no coincidence that V. Zelensky went on to admit that the Ukrainian counter-offensive is not going to have any "happy ending" because it is simply not a movie, stating that Kiev has lost many soldiers on the battlefield.

*"We all want a happy ending.*

*But it's not a movie, it doesn't last an hour and a half.*

*It's a counterattack, not a happy ending movie.*

*We will not have a happy ending, we have lost many people.*

*We have to admit it,"* said Zelensky speaking to CNN.

In the Video, 4 Russian paratroopers stealthily followed a Ukrainian couple, pinpointed their location and then gave them the option to surrender instead of filling the trench with grenades.

The Ukrainians chose to give up without a fight. At least 11 of them surrendered. Their morale is extremely low.

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**Unfathomable carnage: Ukrainians lost more than 4,100 soldiers in one week in counterattack - meat grinder**

Russian forces killed up to 355 Ukrainian soldiers and destroyed 1 tank and 12 artillery systems in the Kherson region during the week in the special military operation in Ukraine, Russia's Defense Ministry said.

"During the week five Ukrainian reconnaissance units were eliminated. As many as 355 soldiers were killed while 1 tank, 32 vehicles, as well as 12 artillery systems were destroyed in this area," Moscow announced.

Russian forces killed more than 2,100 Ukrainian soldiers and repelled 56 enemy attacks in the Donetsk region during the week in the special military operation in Ukraine, the ministry said.

Russian air defense forces intercepted 49 rockets of the US HIMARS multiple missile system, three JDAM smart bombs and a HARM anti-radar missile.

**Bloodshed and in Krasny Liman**

In Krasny Liman, Russian forces repelled 12 attacks by the Ukrainian army during the week in the special military operation in Ukraine, with enemy casualties exceeding 450 soldiers, the Russian Defense Ministry said.

They also lost 13 armored fighting vehicles, 15 vehicles and seven guns.

Video: Chaos in the ranks of Ukrainian ED during evacuation. Ukrainian soldiers fall into mines and lose their legs.

**Massacre also in Kupyansk-Zaporizya**

Russian forces improved their positions and killed up to 425 Ukrainian soldiers in the Kupyansk region, repelling 22 attacks by the Ukrainian army.

"In the direction of Kupyansk, units of the Russian Western Battle Group continued to improve their tactical position. Enemy losses during the week in this area amounted to 425 people, 8 armored fighting vehicles, 18 other vehicles and pickup cars and 15 guns.

Russian forces killed 845 Ukrainian soldiers and destroyed 27 tanks, including a Challenger, in the Zaporizhia region this week in the special military operation in Ukraine, the ministry said.

**Putin: Ukrainians have lost 71,500 soldiers since counter-offensive began on June 4, 2023**

During his speech at the Eastern Economic Forum held in Vladivostok, Russian President B. Putin said that if the US believes that Ukraine is ready for negotiations, then as he argued, "let's cancel the decree prohibiting negotiations with Russia".

*"The Ukrainian counterattack has not brought any results, its losses are high."*

**Ukraine throws its soldiers into the counterattack in such a way that one gets the impression that these are not their own people.**

*"Ukraine has lost 71,500 people since the start of the counter-offensive,"* underlined the Russian president, pointing out that deliveries of new weapons to Ukraine, including cluster munitions and depleted uranium shells, are not going to affect the situation on the front.

**The Russian president, however, said that it is a crime to use depleted uranium and underlined that Ukraine will start looking for peace and negotiations as soon as it comes close to running out of resources.**

**He said the West is pressuring Kiev to gain as much territory as possible and then sit at the negotiating table, stressing that Russia cannot stop hostilities if the enemy leads a counter-attack.**

The Ukrainian doctor admits that the Ukrainians are suffering catastrophic losses near Kupyansk and this is being covered up.

He says talking about seizing Crimea until next year is a slap in the face to Ukrainians who are suffering on the front lines now.

Watch the video with English subtitles. <https://warnews247-gr.translate.google.com/chaos-stis-taxeis-ton-oukranikon-ed-apochoroun-peftontas-se-narkopedia-tesseract-rosai-vdv-aichmalotizoun-11-oukranous-to-kievo-echase-4-100-stratiotes-se-mia-evdomada-stin-antepithesi-k/? x tr sl=auto& x tr tl=en& x tr hl=en>

## Johnson Bombshell: Ukrainian Armed Forces Prepare Coup Against Zelensky

*In the US they started talking about a coup in Ukraine...*

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**The Ukrainian Armed Forces may launch an insurgency against B. Zelensky, former CIA analyst Larry Johnson said in an interview on the Dialogue works YouTube channel.**

The presenter asked the expert whether we should expect Ukrainian troops to act against the head of the Kiev regime.

*"I expect that, I'm surprised it hasn't happened yet,"* he replied.

According to **Johnson, Zelensky failed to become a strong political figure within the country.**

His **election campaign was based on lies because**, despite promises of peace with Russia, he escalated the conflict.

Moreover, **polls show that the majority of Ukrainians oppose the president.**

And this is due to current events, the analyst believes.

**"I don't see enthusiasm in Ukraine for the country to continue military operations," he concluded.**

It is noted that the Ukrainian Armed Forces have been conducting a counterattack in the direction of South Donetsk, Bakhmut and Zaporizhia for four months, throwing into battle brigades trained by NATO and armed with Western military equipment.

However, they did not achieve any success in any area of the front.

As **Putin said, this is not just a slip, but a failure.**

Media and military experts from the United States and Europe write that the summer counteroffensive by the Kiev authorities proved unsuccessful.

At the same time, they excel the effectiveness of Russian minefields and multi-layered defense.

### Strange behavior of the Ukrainian army

**Earlier, Larry Johnson was surprised by the tactics of the Ukrainian Armed Forces, who did not even try to attack the Russian defense line at the time of its preparation....**

**"It doesn't look like Russia built its defense line in secret. All this time, Ukraine did not even try to attack these positions with missiles or artillery.**

**What did they expect?**

**It was obvious that they could have stopped the preparations, but they didn't."**

It was **intelligence negligence that American and Ukrainian officials failed to properly assess**

the strength of the enemy's defenses.

Russian troops openly reinforced the positions: they brought and poured concrete, dug trenches, created obstacles like "dragon's teeth" on the ground, putting them in whole rows.

"Now the Armed Forces of Ukraine have discovered that they cannot even cross the front line," concluded Larry Johnson.

The US was surprised by the Russian attack on the Ukrainian Armed Forces

The Russian army will destroy all weapons supplied by the West to Ukraine...

Remember, the HIMARS system was supposed to be a game changer?

Turns out he didn't change it.

The Patriot systems?

They kept telling us about it.

"Now we don't hear anything about the Patriot that the Russians destroyed in Kiev, Lviv and other cities of Ukraine," he said.

New Western tanks will be destroyed in Ukraine "as soon as they reach the battlefield" and F-16 fighters will be shot down.

"The time, the effort, the energy, the money spent on pilot training – all of that will be gone very quickly.

So it's not even a matter of supplying equipment, because whatever weapons they send, the Ukrainian troops don't have the personnel capable of operating that equipment effectively" the Ukrainians are doomed concluded Larry Johnson. [https://warnews247-gr.translate.google.com/vomva-johnson-oi-oukranikes-enoples-dynameis-etoimazoun-praxikopima-kata-tou-zelenski/?x\\_tr\\_sl=auto&x\\_tr\\_tl=en&x\\_tr\\_hl=en](https://warnews247-gr.translate.google.com/vomva-johnson-oi-oukranikes-enoples-dynameis-etoimazoun-praxikopima-kata-tou-zelenski/?x_tr_sl=auto&x_tr_tl=en&x_tr_hl=en)

## Ukraine operation will last for a 'few years' – top Russian MP

*Moscow should not underestimate Kiev's defense capabilities, which have been greatly boosted by the West, Pyotr Tolstoy has cautioned*

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The Ukraine conflict is unlikely to end in the near future because Kiev is putting up a strong resistance due to massive Western military support, Russian State Duma Deputy Chairman Pyotr Tolstoy has predicted.

In an interview with a Russian TV presenter Vyacheslav Manucharov released on Monday, Tolstoy said that he believed that the hostilities between Moscow and Kiev would continue for "another two to three years."

"It won't be quick. There is serious resistance, the enemy is tough. We should not underestimate the fact that almost all countries are supplying [Kiev] with weapons and materiel. Ukraine has nothing of its own, it is fighting only with what it has received," the lawmaker stated.

Tolstoy acknowledged that the conflict would take its toll on Russia, but argued that the military campaign must continue so that Russians "do not feel humiliated" after watching their compatriots being burned alive. He was referring to the violent clashes in the Ukrainian city of Odessa in May 2014 shortly after a Western-backed coup in Kiev. The unrest culminated in Ukrainian nationalists blocking pro-Russian activists in the Trade Unions House and setting it on fire, killing at least 42 people.

Since the start of the Ukraine conflict in February 2022, Western countries have provided tens of billions of dollars in security assistance to Kiev. The US has lead the pack with a whopping \$43 billion. Russia has repeatedly warned that this aid will only prolong the hostilities but will not change the ultimate outcome.

Russian officials have also on numerous occasions said that the military campaign in Ukraine will end once Moscow achieves its goals, including protecting Donbass from "genocide" and laying the groundwork for "conditions guaranteeing Russia's security."

Nevertheless, Russia has not closed the door to negotiations with Kiev. Last autumn, however, Kiev banned all talks with the current leadership in Moscow after four former Ukrainian regions overwhelmingly voted in public referendums to join Russia. <https://www.rt.com/russia/582833-ukraine-conflict-last-several-years/>

## Putin estimates Ukrainian losses

*The Russian president has claimed that the ongoing counteroffensive had cost Kiev more than 71,000 troops and 543 tanks*

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*Russian President Vladimir Putin delivers a speech during a plenary session of 2023 Eastern Economic Forum (EEF) at the Far Eastern Federal University on Russky Island in Vladivostok, Russia. © Sputnik/Alexander Vilf*

**Russian President Vladimir Putin has provided an update on the casualties the Ukrainian military incurred since their operation commenced in early June. He further noted that Kiev had not achieved the anticipated results it had initially sought.**

**Putin said at the Eastern Economic Forum in Vladivostok on Tuesday: “There are losses, big losses. Since the start of this counteroffensive, the casualties [have reached] 71,500 people.” The president claimed that Kiev is seeking to achieve results “at any cost,” which makes it look like the Ukrainian leadership does not care about its own citizens’ lives.**

**He added that Kiev has also lost 543 tanks and nearly 18,000 armored vehicles of various types** over the past three months. Putin concluded by saying that Ukraine has not been able to make any significant gains so far.

**Last week, Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov claimed that the US is intent on “waging a war to the last Ukrainian, sparing no expense.”** He alleged that continued defense aid provided to Kiev by Washington indicates that. Peskov said at the time that American military supplies would not change the course of the conflict.

According to the Russian Defense Ministry’s estimates presented last week, Kiev had suffered “*colossal*” losses during its summer campaign, with more than 66,000 troops killed and over 7,600 heavy weapons destroyed.

Following talks with his Turkish counterpart, Recep Tayyip Erdogan, last Monday, Putin declared that the ongoing Ukrainian counteroffensive “*is not stalled; it is a failure.*”

The US and several other Western backers had provided Ukraine with dozens of units of military hardware and artillery pieces ahead of its summer operation. However, according to US media reports, many of those tanks and armored vehicles have been destroyed or damaged while trying to cross extensive Russian minefields.

Likewise, Russia’s defense ministry has published multiple video clips purporting to show the destruction of Western-made tanks.

Last week, pro-Russian authorities in Zaporozhye Region claimed that Moscow’s forces had destroyed a second Challenger 2 main battle tank out of the 14 that the UK had provided to Kiev. Several days prior, London confirmed the loss of the first of these vehicles in Ukraine. <https://www.rt.com/russia/582831-putin-names-ukraine-losses/>

## **West destroying global economic system – Putin**

*Many nations, however, want to work for all of mankind, not for the wealthy few, the Russian president has said*

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**Speaking at the plenary session of the Eastern Economic Forum in Vladivostok, Putin stated that the landscape of the international economy is changing in part because “some countries, primarily Western nations, are destroying the system of financial, trade, and economic relations with their own hands.”**

However, **this destructive activity coincided with the expansion of “real business cooperation,” involving many nations around the world that resist any external pressure and pursue their own national interests,** Putin said.

**“They prioritize not temporary political events, but the promotion of their own projects... that bring direct and long-term benefits to their populations,”** Putin said, adding that this leads to the emergence of a new international model “*shaped not by Western standards [and] catering to the selected ‘golden billion,’ but all of humanity... and the developing multipolar world.*”

**Putin’s comments come after Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov said earlier this month that the BRICS economic group – which recently announced an unprecedented expansion – and the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) are gaining more international clout as many nations seek to bypass Western-dominated international institutions that fail to address their grievances.**

**In June, he also estimated that one in four countries in the world is to some extent sanctioned by the US or European nations.** According to Lavrov, this means that the West is using the global economy “*as an instrument of coercion, blackmail, and punishment.*”

Western countries imposed particularly harsh sanctions on Russia over the Ukraine conflict, including the



freezing of Russian gold and foreign exchange reserves to the tune of around \$600 billion, a move that Moscow condemned as “theft.” <https://www.rt.com/russia/582808-west-destroying-global-economic-system-putin/> **[Sorry folks but it is pretty pathetic when the assessment of Putin and the Russian government seems more intelligent and in accord with the facts than that of your own government. The US is seriously lost. – rdb]**

## Russia has earned twice as much money as West seized – Putin

*The freezing of assets “undermines trust in those who did it,” the president has said*

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Russia has already earned double the amount of gold and foreign exchange reserves frozen by the West last year, President Vladimir Putin said at the Eastern Economic Forum in Vladivostok on Tuesday.

The EU, US, and their allies have frozen hundreds of billions of dollars’ worth of Russian central bank holdings as part of sanctions related to the Ukraine conflict.

“I know that our gold and foreign exchange reserves are frozen. Yes, we have already earned twice as much. But we’re not even talking about this \$300 billion, we’re talking about undermining trust in those who did this,” the Russian president argued.

Many economists, including in the West, have warned that the seizure of Russian assets would jeopardize investor confidence in the EU’s banking system and damage the bloc’s status as a global financial center.

Nearly \$300 billion of Russian gold and forex reserves have been frozen since the beginning of Moscow’s military operation in Ukraine. The Russian central bank’s reserves decreased by 8.4% in 2022, according to official estimates.

In March of this year, the Bank of Russia resumed publishing data on the structure of state reserves. As of August, the country’s gold and foreign exchange funds amounted to \$580.5 billion. <https://www.rt.com/business/582823-russia-frozen-assets-putin/> **Doesn’t look like “Bi-Dum”’s economic sanction plans and financial freeze has been to effective. It seems that his plans have done more to destroy the EU than anything else. – rdb]**

## Africa benefiting from ties with Russia – economist

*The continent wants to see more Russian businesses invest, an African expert has said*

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Percy Morapedi Koji, Vice-President of the Africa Economic Leadership Council, emphasized Russia’s significant role as a key partner, facilitating trade, investments, and cooperation across various sectors on the continent in an interview with RIA Novosti on the sidelines of the Eastern Economic Forum (EEF) on Monday.

He noted that trade relations between African nations and Russia are based on understanding and mutually beneficial conditions.

“Russia is one of the countries that we’re looking to build even closer relationships with. The increase [of cooperation] in everything from trade to tourism will help attract more Russian entrepreneurs to South Africa. We would like to see more Russian companies in South Africa and vice versa,” Koji added.

At the forum, the economist held meetings with representatives of Russia’s biggest lender, Sber, and other companies. He noted that Western sanctions against Russia could open trade opportunities for African countries.

The 8th Eastern Economic Forum is taking place in Vladivostok from September 10 to 13. It was created as a platform for dialogue with businesses on development issues in Russia’s Far East and for promoting regional investment. <https://www.rt.com/africa/582783-africa-russia-trade-investment/> **The US and Europe’s posture with Africa has normally be one of colonialism and now Africa is seeing from Russia and possibly China and Inda (BRICKS group) a relationship of parity which is destroying the old system and will ultimately denigrate all activity of the West with Africa. – rdb]**

## Africa will never forget that West caged its children – Putin

*The continent will also remember Moscow’s help in the anti-colonial struggle, the Russian president has said*



Russian President Vladimir Putin is seen on a screen while attending a plenary session of 2023 Eastern Economic Forum (EEF). © Sputnik

**Russian President Vladimir Putin remarked on Tuesday that African nations will always remember the dark chapter of Western colonial oppression when European powers trafficked children from the continent and put them on display in cages. Putin also claimed that the same countries are trying to push their former dominions into indentured servitude.**

Speaking at the plenary session of the Eastern Economic Forum in Vladivostok, the **Russian leader predicted it would not be too difficult for Russia to restore relations with Africa** to the level of the Soviet era, when Moscow provided the continent with ample economic aid.

The **Russian leader argued that African countries remember Moscow's help in the struggle for independence and that Moscow had never acted as a colonizer.** "Our cooperation has always been based on either mutual grounds or the desire to help," he said.

However, **Putin noted that these countries remember not only Soviet aid but also Western ruthlessness. As late as 1957, "people from Africa were taken to Europe in cages... You can't watch that without tears. Children sitting in cages, displayed for everyone to see,"** Putin recalled. "No one in Africa will ever forget it."

The Russian president said the West has not abandoned its subjugation attempts. "Even now, they are trying to boss around and pursue their generally neo-colonial policies," Putin said, explaining that Western countries have imposed trillions of dollars worth of loans on the region.

The **West has concocted a credit system with African countries which "by definition... does not allow them to pay back their loans. These are not credit relations; this is some kind of [punitive] indemnity,"** he added. However, Russia adheres to a different approach, which gives it an advantage in fostering ties with its partners worldwide, Putin argued.

Last week, Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov pointed out that African countries are ready to talk with their Western counterparts. However, the latter should not expect spectacular results if they reduce dialogue to "patting on the back" while failing to address the continent's "pressing needs."

To foster closer ties with the region, Russia hosted a landmark Russia-Africa forum in St. Petersburg this summer that produced many bilateral agreements in various fields. Dozens of African delegations also attended it despite what Moscow described as "unprecedented pressure from the West" to skip the summit. <https://www.rt.com/africa/582820-putin-africa-colonial-oppression/> **An African nationalistic awakening is happening. RDB**

## 'Fatal blow to democracy': Yariv Levin launches scathing attack on High Court

"The court places itself above the government, above the Knesset, above the people and above the law," the justice minister charged.

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Justice Minister Yariv Levin holds a press conference at the Knesset, the Israeli parliament, in Jerusalem on January 4, 2023. (photo credit: OLIVIER FITOUSSI/FLASH90) Advertisement

**The High Court judicial reform hearing amounts to an attack on democracy and the Knesset's status, Justice Minister Yariv Levin charged on Tuesday morning ahead of the pivotal hearing.**

"The very discussions about the possibility of striking Basic Laws, which are the top of the legal pyramid in Israel, are a fatal injury to the majority's rule," the minister said.

"The court places itself above the government, above the Knesset, above the people and above the law. This is completely contrary to

democracy."

**'Israel's largest test yet'**



**Likud MK Dan Illouz also noted on Tuesday morning that "today begins the State of Israel's largest test yet. Democracy is not the justice's rule, but the majority's rule," he stated.**

**K SIMCHA ROTHMAN with Justice Minister Yariv Levin in the Knesset on Wednesday. (credit: YONATAN SINDEL/FLASH90)**

**"The High Court must take responsibility and avoid taking Israel to a constitutional crisis," the Likud MK said.**

The hearing is the culmination of a year of political and legal turmoil for Israel, in which the first and so far only judicial reform legislation to pass into law

will be challenged. <https://www.jpost.com/israel-news/politics-and-diplomacy/article-758604>

## **At crucial hearing, judges challenge assertion they can't intervene in Basic Laws**

**Debating reasonableness law, coalition lawyer argues it doesn't erode democracy, calls Declaration of Independence 'hasty' and nonbinding; Rothman implies justices are an oligarchy**

By [Jeremy Sharon](#) Today, 2:01 pm [59](#)



**All 15 High Court justices preside over a court hearing on petitions against the government's 'reasonableness bill' at the Supreme Court in Jerusalem, September 12, 2023. (Yonatan Sindel/Flash90)**

**At a historic High Court hearing Tuesday on petitions against the Netanyahu government's "reasonableness" law, several justices challenged the government's assertion that the top court does not have the authority to strike down such quasi-constitutional Basic Laws.**

**During fraught exchanges between the court and the attorneys defending the legislation, one justice indicated that Israel's democracy was at stake, noting that "democracy dies in a series of**

**small steps," while the coalition's lawyer took aim at Israel's foundational Declaration of Independence as an ostensible source of judicial authority, calling it a "hasty" document endorsed by unelected signatories.**

**An unprecedented panel of all 15 justices presided over the hearing on petitions against the law, enacted in July, which restricts judicial review of government decisions.** An attorney on behalf of the government suggested that the court does not actually have the jurisdiction to weigh in on the legislation.

**Ilan Bombach, the attorney who is representing the government in the High Court since Attorney General Gali Baharav-Miara has refused to do so, argued that the justices are merely empowered to interpret the legislator's words, and that there is no legal or constitutional basis for them to review Basic Laws.**

**In response, Justice Alex Stein asked Bombach: "What is the source of the Knesset [authority] to legislate laws?"**

When Bombach pointed to a 1950 Supreme Court ruling, Stein noted that the Knesset was formed before that, and that the original source of power is the Declaration of Independence.

Other justices also challenged Bombach, indicating that in their view, since **the Declaration of**

**Independence defines Israel as a Jewish and democratic state, the Knesset cannot legislate laws — even Basic Laws — that erode Israel's Jewish or democratic character.** And if the Knesset is limited in its capacity to pass Basic Laws, that would mean the High Court has the authority to review such laws.



**Attorney Ilan Bombach arrives at a court hearing on petitions against the government's reasonableness law, at the Supreme Court in Jerusalem, September 12, 2023. (Yonatan Sindel/Flash90)**

**"Because 37 people were authorized to sign the hasty**



**Declaration of Independence, which was still in draft stage until the last moment, this should bind people who came later?"** Bombach responded, noting that its signatories were unelected, and that it was "unthinkable" to say the document must "bind all future generations."

**After he was rebuked for appearing to downplay the significance of the Declaration of Independence, Bombach said that the people elected the Knesset as a constituent branch of government, which legislates Basic Laws, in addition to its power as a legislative branch, and that the Knesset's power additionally stems from the people's votes.**

Bombach tried several times to switch the discussion to the reasonableness law itself, calling the question of the Knesset's source of power a "theoretical, academic" discussion, but the justices pressed on on the matter, pointing out that the government's argument began by stressing the High Court's lack of authority to intervene in Basic Laws.

**The Yesh Atid party also criticized Bombach for appearing to downplay the importance of the Declaration of Independence.** A statement from the opposition party said that "there is no clearer proof that there is an anti-Zionist, anti-Israeli, anti-democratic government in Israel that will burn the pages of history and tarnish the founders of the state, all for despicable political considerations."

**Bombach also argued that the reasonableness law does not erode Israel's democratic character, as the petitioners claim.**

Justice Isaac Amit replied that historically, "democracy dies in a series of small steps" and pointed at the series of other judicial overhaul laws that have been declared or have started their legislative process.

At that point, Likud MK Tally Gotliv interrupted from the backbenches, shouting that "the Knesset sanctifies democracy and preserves it." **MORE -** <https://www.timesofisrael.com/at-crucial-hearing-judges-challenge-assertion-they-cant-intervene-in-basic-laws/>

## **Fearing crisis, secular and devout unveil new Israeli manifesto at Ben Gurion's home**

*The document, authored by prominent individuals from both sides of the religious divide, seeks to address what it means to have a Jewish state*

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*Polly Bronstein speaks at the Ben Gurion Home on Sept. 10, 2023 in Tel Aviv, Israel. (Guy Anto)*

**The former home of David Ben Gurion in Tel Aviv is a cramped apartment-sized museum whose main hall is a dark library with overpopulated shelves. It's not the most pragmatic venue for launching a political manifesto aimed at a broad audience.**

But **Alan Feld**, a prominent investor in Israel's booming tech sector, insists nowhere is more fitting than the humble abode of Israel's first prime minister for the unveiling that he organized on Sunday of a

**new social charter that he and other cosignatories hope could help settle the unresolved issues of the role of Judaism in the Jewish state.**

**"This festering issue goes back to Israel's Declaration of Independence, which Ben Gurion coauthored, and right now it's really the core of the conflict that has divided Israel for the past nine months,"** said Feld, 61, who was born in Canada and has been living in Israel for 30 years.

**"Ahead of the High Holidays and a fateful week for the State of Israel, we're coming back to the drawing board to finish this work,"** said Rabbi David Stav, another cosignatory of the charter who heads the influential Tzohar rabbinical group, which many view as an alternative to the ultra-conservative Chief Rabbinate. Stav was referencing a Supreme Court hearing Tuesday that may lead to a constitutional crisis because it's about the government's ability to limit the court's power.

The **new charter is a 650-word pamphlet titled "The Principle of Consensual Judaism in the State of Israel."** Among its 51 signatories are moderate Orthodox rabbis alongside seculars like Polly Bronstein, an activist fighting the right-wing government's judicial overhaul, and the head of a left-leaning group, Darkenu.



Billed by its creators as a compromise between secular Jews who fear religious coercion and devout Jews who worry over Jews being alienated from their heritage, the document's 11 points include several that are likely to put off many staunch secularists.



Alan Feld speaks at the Ben Gurion Home on Sept. 10, 2023 in Tel Aviv, Israel. (Guy Anto)

One passage pledges that Israeli Jewish teens will be “Jewishly literate, including on the Jewish religion, history and culture.” Another says that the state is a Jewish national home, its symbols will be Jewish and its institutions “will respect halacha,” or Orthodox Jewish law.

The charter also features segments to which many devout Jews would object, including equal status for non-Orthodox Jewish denominations and

autonomy for every “city or region” on the issue of observing Shabbat.

It also says all citizens will perform a two-year mandatory national service – a reference to the exemption from military service enjoyed by tens of thousands of Haredi yeshiva students, which began with a dispensation that, when Ben Gurion agreed to it in 1948, related to only about 400 people.

And it rejects any attempt to “legislate religious laws through coercion.” **MORE -**

<https://www.timesofisrael.com/fearing-crisis-secular-and-devout-unveil-new-israeli-manifesto-at-ben-gurions-home/>  
[This is really rather radical is while the declaration of Independence of Israel incorporates somewhat similar concepts but not in nearly as defined way as this does. Israel is truly in a crisis point in its governance. – rdb]

## Defense Ministry brings start-ups to London tech conference

Working with 206 start-ups; 35 Israeli companies attend DSEI.

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Israel Aerospace Industries (IAI) new passive high-performance gunfire detection system (GDS): OTHELLO-P. (photo credit: ISRAEL AEROSPACE INDUSTRIES)

The Defense Ministry announced on Monday that it has worked with 206 startups on defense technology issues, several of which it is bringing to this week's DSEI defense technology conference in London.

According to a statement, 35 Israeli defense companies, including seven startups that are part of the ministry's Innofense program, are attending the conference and helped open Israel's exhibition there.

Ministry SIBAT (Exports) head Brig.-Gen. (res.) Yair Kulas said at the opening ceremony, “The Israeli defense industry embodies investment in technological advancement, creativity, and audacious innovation which combines rich operational experience and a defense establishment on the cutting-edge of technology, which helps the IDF defend state security.”



Defense Ministry Director-General Maj.-Gen. (res.) [Eyal Zamir](#) pushed hard to include the start-ups in the biannual DSEI conference as opposed to only the traditional Israeli tech giants attending.

It can also be cost-prohibitive for start-ups to pay for and attend such conferences on their own, such that the ministry's support could be crucial.

Israeli companies at the International Defence Exhibition & Conference in Abu Dhabi in 2023 (credit: DEFENSE MINISTRY)

## Show us the money

**According to a ministry report on Innofense, the MAFAT Research and Development Division has received \$307 million in startup-related orders in recent years.**

**19 start-ups are leaders in projects related to Irregular Warfare Technical Support** and six more startups are involved in government-to-government defense projects worth \$44 million.

Out of 119 startups with seed money from the ministry, their average for raising funds for their products is \$8.8 million.

**The report discussed three specific companies with products that can be used both for military and civilian needs from the Innofense startup program, part of the program's third class.**

In an interview in February at Defense Ministry headquarters in Tel Aviv with Innofense program head IDF Lt.-Col. "D," *The Jerusalem Post* was told that "every organization needs an innovative and ready to dash out startup-style attitude in their organization."

The ministry's push runs in parallel to similar efforts by the Mossad and the Shin Bet (Israel Security Agency.)

D also said that there is even some "cooperation with the Shin Bet and the Mossad between our various innovation staffs, with some of us investing in some of the same companies, and there are personnel that jump between the organizations," but that it is important that the ministry invests in start-ups which will tailor their work to its and the IDF's unique needs.

Next, he said, **"Israel is the startup nation. The Defense Ministry and the IDF also want to utilize the advantages of startups."**

"Those preceding me in this role encouraged brainstorming **and dialogue about how funds are being used with the defense industry and we decided to use Innofense** as our platform for the Defense Ministry to work with startups," he explained.

The **Innofense chief described how certain elements of dealing with startups are different from the ministry's standard dealings with defense companies like Rafael or Elbit.** For example, the companies will want to keep the intellectual property relating to the startups to themselves. Also, the ministry must pay the startups part of the funds before they start, said D. **MORE -** <https://www.jpost.com/israel-news/defense-news/article-758647>

## The killer edge? IDF unveils new 'Spark' drone to boost Air Force

*The "Spark" UAV opens the door for a new chapter of Israeli air prowess.*

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*A view of the wing of the new "Spark" UAV. (photo credit: ISRAEL AIR FORCE)*



**The IDF received a new UAV during a ceremony on Sunday, the IDF announced in a release that day. The new UAV, dubbed "Spark" comes as part of the latest "Storm Clouds" UAV array and was received by the 144th UAV Squadron at the Hatzor Air Force Base.**

**The 144th Squadron, upon its establishment in 1972, was originally an Israeli Air Force (IAF) combat squadron that operated aircraft such as the "Nesher", "Kfir" and "Netz."**

**The history of the 144th Squadron**

**The squadron**

**quickly made a name for itself when, during the Yom Kippur War the year following the squadron's establishment, it downed more than 40 enemy aircraft.**

**Last year, however, the IAF converted the 144th into a UAV squadron.** It currently operates out of Hatzor Air Force Base in central Israel.

*IAF Commander Maj.-Gen. Tomer Bar places a sticker on the new "Spark" UAV (credit: ISRAEL AIR FORCE)*

**The "Spark" is set to take the 144th's operational capability to the next level. According to the release, it will significantly advance the ability of IDF**





**personnel to take effective, offensive action.** Further, the IDF boasts the UAV marks “the gateway to the fifth generation of the [Storm Clouds UAV] array.”

The **Spark was produced by the aeronautics subsidiary of the Israeli defense company, Rafael Advanced Defense Systems and was designed to be effective in a variety of different roles such as intelligence, escort, and enemy engagement missions among others.**

The **IDF did not mention the specific capabilities** of the new aircraft, however, it has been touted as an enormous advancement by the most senior Air Force staff.

“This is an exciting day in which we rise to another level, a day in which the squadron has more aircraft and weapons alongside its excellent service members,” said [Maj. Gen. Tomer Bar](#), the commander of the Israeli Air Force, “A day when the ‘Storm Clouds’ project turns from a vision into a wonderful reality. The squadron has come a long way since its establishment about a year ago, until receiving the aircraft today. I want to show my appreciation to you for that.” <https://www.jpost.com/israel-news/defense-news/article-758594>

## US, EU condemn plan for Jewish enclave in Palestinian Abu Dis

*Washington says project undermines two-state solution, which US looks to advance via Saudi deal; municipal panel meets to approve plan as top Biden official arrives in Israel*

By [Jacob Magid](#) Today, 6:12 am [29](#)



*A picture taken on June 3, 2021, shows Israel's security barrier separating East Jerusalem (bottom) from the Palestinian village of Abu Dis in the West Bank. (AFP / Thomas COEX)*

**The United States and the European Union issued condemnations on Monday of an Israeli plan to build a Jewish enclave inside a Palestinian neighborhood straddling the West Bank and East Jerusalem.**

**The condemnations from Washington and Brussels were issued as the Jerusalem District Planning Committee convened to advance the plan onto the final stages of approval before construction**

**can begin in the coming months.**

**During Monday's hearing, the district committee agreed to advance the project, but asked those behind it to address some minor concerns before the panel would reconvene** a second time to approve the plan through the “deposit” stage of planning.

**Asked for comment on the development during a press briefing, State Department spokesperson Matt Miller said, “Our views have been clear and consistent: The expansion of settlements undermines the geographic viability of a two-state solution, exacerbates tensions, and further harms trust between the two parties.”** **Is OSLO and the two state solution actually still viable?? I question that unless it become some form of rather convoluted state encompassing multiple arab states. – rdb]**

**“We strongly oppose the advancement of settlements and urge Israel to refrain** from this activity. We take the issue very seriously, as it impinges on the viability of a two-state solution. We raise it at the highest levels on a consistent basis,” he added. **Once again the EU, UN and US assume the role of “ruling” an independent country much like they do in the African nations which have been colonial entities under them. – rdb]**

The District Planning Committee convened shortly after US Assistant Secretary for Near Eastern Affairs Barbara Leaf arrived in Israel Monday to brief government officials on her talks in Riyadh about a potential normalization agreement between Israel and Saudi Arabia. That deal is expected to require major Israeli moves to advance a two-state solution — a framework that as Miller stressed, is hampered by projects such as the one in Abu Dis.

A spokesperson for the EU said in a separate statement that its long-stated position on settlements, including construction in Israeli-annexed East Jerusalem, is that it is “illegal according to international law and a major obstacle to achieving a two-state solution.” **MORE -** <https://www.timesofisrael.com/us-eu-condemn-plan-for-jewish-enclave-in-palestinian-abu-dis/>



## Quarter of Libyan city wiped out by burst dam, 1,000 bodies recovered so far

Around 10,000 people are thought to be missing following major floods in Libya, an official from the International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) said.

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*General view of flood water covering the area as a powerful storm and heavy rainfall hit Al-Mukhaili, Libya September 11, 2023, in this handout picture. (photo credit: Libya Al-Hadath/Handout via REUTERS)*

**Around a quarter of Libya's eastern city of Derna was wiped out by floods after a dam burst in a storm, and more than 1,000 bodies have been recovered so far, a minister in the administration that controls the east said on Tuesday.**

**Around 10,000 people are thought to be missing following major floods in Libya,** an official from the International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) said.

**"We can confirm from our independent sources of information that the number of missing people is hitting 10,000 so far,"** Tamer Ramadan, the head of the IFRC delegation in Libya, told reporters in Geneva via video link from Tunisia.

**"I returned from Derna. It is very disastrous. Bodies are lying everywhere - in the sea, in the valleys, under the buildings,"** Hichem Chkiouat, minister of civil aviation and member of the emergency committee, told Reuters by phone. **"The number of bodies recovered in Derna is more 1,000,"** he said. **He expected the final toll would be "really, really big."** **"I am not exaggerating when I say that 25% of the city has disappeared.**

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*Aerial view of flood water as a powerful storm and heavy rainfall hit Shahhat city, Libya, September 11, 2023. (credit: REUTERS/ALI AL-SAAD)*

A Reuters journalist on the way to Derna saw vehicles overturned on the edges of roads, trees knocked down and abandoned, flooded houses. Convoys of aid and assistance were heading towards the city.

**Possibly at least 2,000 killed**

Officials in the administration that runs the eastern part of the divided country said on Monday that at least 2,000 people had been killed by the floods, though it was not immediately clear what that estimate was based on.

**MORE - <https://www.jpost.com/breaking-news/article-758620> One more disaster as the world gets warning after warning of the impending end of days. These the number and character of the disasters occurring in the world are unprecedented. – rdb]**

## Speaker McCarthy announces impeachment inquiry into President Biden

*McCarthy wants to obtain documents from the president and his son, Hunter Biden.*

By [Rachel Scott](#) and [Katherine Faulders](#) September 12, 2023, 10:39 AM

**Speaker Kevin McCarthy announced Tuesday House Republicans will move ahead with an impeachment inquiry into President Joe Biden.**

**"Today, I am directing our House committee to open a formal impeachment inquiry into President Joe Biden,"** McCarthy said at the U.S. Capitol.

**"This logical next step will give our committees the full power to gather the full facts and answers for the American public,"** he added. **"That's exactly what we want to know -- the answers. I believe the president would want to answer these questions and allegations as well."**

McCarthy said House Oversight Committee chairman James Comer, House Judiciary Committee chairman Jim

Jordan and House Ways and Means Committee chairman Jason Smith will lead the inquiry.

"I **do not make this decision lightly**," the speaker said. "Regardless of your party, or who you voted for, these facts concern all Americans."

McCarthy has made it clear there will be a vote for an impeachment inquiry, but as of now he doesn't appear to have the votes to open one.

A campaign to persuade holdouts like GOP Rep. Ken Buck, R-Colo., is already underway. Buck will receive a briefing from the House Oversight Committee staff this week on the investigations into President Biden, according to sources familiar.

McCarthy has signaled a Biden impeachment inquiry for weeks in order to obtain bank records and other documents from Biden and his son, Hunter.

Back in August, McCarthy told Fox News, an impeachment inquiry would provide "Congress the apex of legal power to get all the information they need." So far, Republicans have not been able to prove any wrongdoing by President Biden. **MORE -** <https://abcnews.go.com/Politics/speaker-mccarthy-expected-endorse-impeachment-inquiry-president-biden/story?id=103114626>

## Putin Weighs In On the Trump Witch Hunt and Points Out a Sad Reality About America's Political System

By [Brandon Morse](#) | 11:00 AM on September 12, 2023

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**Russian President Vladimir Putin naturally watches American politics with great interest, and this includes the ongoing attempt by Democrats to take down former President Donald Trump.** In fact, according to a recent interview, he's been watching that unfold with great interest.

**According to Putin, the American political system is in complete disarray as one party is corrupting the system in order to persecute its opponents, completely robbing America of any moral position it has on the world stage, and this is great news for Russia.**

"For us, what is happening in today's conditions, in my opinion, is good," said Putin.

**"Because it shows the rottenness of the American political system which cannot pretend to teach others about democracy,"** he added to applause from a watching crowd.

**"Everything that is happening with Trump is the persecution of a political rival for political reasons,"** he continued. "That's what it is. And this is being done in front of the US public and the whole world. They simply exposed their internal problems."

**He'd know. Putin is no stranger to persecuting his political rivals himself, but that's beside the point.**

**Regardless of Putin's actions, he's not wrong about America's political system.** As it stands, it's in complete and total disarray thanks to the willingness of the Democrat Party to weaponize government institutions from the IRS to the DOJ in order to punish and cripple its political rivals.

As of this writing, the Democrats continue to signal that Trump is their primary political rival and, as such, are doing what they can to stop him from running again using relentless lawfare. Democrats from the federal down to the local make a big show of trying to bring Trump down with the benefit of not only securing the White House from him but also strengthening their own careers.

Whether you like Trump or not, or plan to vote for him or someone else, his fight against the Democrats represents a perversion of America's legal and political system. **MORE -** [https://redstate.com/brandon\\_morse/2023/09/12/putin-weighs-in-on-the-trump-witch-hunt-and-points-out-a-sad-reality-about-americas-political-system-n2163709](https://redstate.com/brandon_morse/2023/09/12/putin-weighs-in-on-the-trump-witch-hunt-and-points-out-a-sad-reality-about-americas-political-system-n2163709)

**A most insightful article on Cov from a PhD who worked for Pfizer. Long but worth it . RB Malice Aforethought on the COVID-19 Pandemic: "This is a global coup d'état and intentional mass murder." Dr. Mike Yeadon**

By [Dr. Mike Yeadon](#) Global Research, September 11, 2023 [Mark Taliano](#) 10 September 2023

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*A message written to a trusted campaigning friend, who is struggling to accept that what is happening is intentional. It is indeed **a big step to move from justifiable criticism of presumed incompetent politicians and industrialists to putting the pieces together in such a way that they can point only to intentionality. See what you think.***

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Dear X,

I find that attempting to put all the information together in such a way as to allow for the whole even to be benign or at least not wholly malevolent is impossible.

That's because, as you've no doubt heard me say, **I believe it is malevolent!**

I too struggled early on, arguing "surely they must have known this!?" Etc.

Once I allowed for the possibility that all the bad things were intentional, I find all the rest falls into place. Obviously that alone doesn't prove that it was intentional.

Some early clues to intentionality are the coordinated responses of scores of governments to the alleged pandemic: lockdowns, masking, mass testing of the well, the misapplication of PCR-based techniques to bulk testing of clinical samples, selective business & school closures, border restrictions etc.

Not a single country had any of this as a core part of their own pandemic preparedness plan.

Even the WHO's scientific evaluation of NPIs concluded none of them worked & the only changes worth a dime were asking those with symptoms to remain at home until recovered & to increase the frequency of hand washing (because the route of transmission wouldn't initially be known for sure).

I argued at the time that the only way all the countries could have adopted all these useless yet damaging & costly NPIs is if there was supranational coordination.

Whether that from WHO, WEF, etc., I don't know. But illegitimate in any case.

We now know that they knew that imposing these restrictions would save nobody, yet the negative consequences would be devastating, even lethal for some, who would no longer have access to the medical care they needed. Additionally, the use of furlough was obviously going to be enormously damaging to sovereigns who were already borrowed to the hilt.

I note the widespread adoption of an American term, furlough, into public discourse. In U.K. we never previously used the term. Nobody remarked on its arrival, which telegraphed the leading role played by Americans.

**Then we have the imposition of radically altered medical protocols.**

Because of my long exposure to matters respiratory, I knew immediately they began panicking about needed 30,000 mechanical ventilators that something truly demonic was at hand. **It's never appropriate, in a patient with an unobstructed airway & an intact chest wall to sedate, intubate and ventilate them.** Mechanical ventilation is certainly a marvellous, life-saving thing, but it comes with serious risks to the frail patient, in the form of ventilator acquired pneumonia, lung injury from use of pressure to inflate the lungs and more. The appropriate treatment would be an oxygen mask, single, low dose benzo, a cup of tea and a biscuit and a caring hand upon an arm.

In the USA as well many, once in this vulnerable state, were given remdesivir & not given total, intravenous nutrition. In most cases it was just a matter of time before they died.

In care homes, there was indiscriminate use of inappropriately high doses of midazolam and morphine. Not only high doses but repeatedly given to their elderly charges. They'd been told to do it by the highest medical authorities in the land and so few questioned it.

My PhD by coincidence was in this area, the effect of opiates on respiratory function. The discovery of multiple opiate receptors raised the possibility that it might be possible to invent receptor selective ligands that would relieve pain with reduced respiratory depression. Unfortunately, both are mediated primarily by mu opiate receptors, both centrally and in the periphery.

The combination of opiate agonists and benzodiazepines is contraindicated in patients unless close monitoring (for signs of respiratory depression) was in place.

**It isn't & cannot be in a care home. They too were murdered in large numbers.**

Finally, in the community, **the family doctors were cautioned not to prescribe antibiotics in cases of covid "because antibiotics cannot treat viral illnesses"**. It's well known that what is usually termed secondary bacterial infection is generally what actually leads to death in this situation. However, the records show that prescriptions for antibiotics for suspected bacterial infection of the lungs fell by 50% & large numbers of people died avoidable deaths



(and rather horrible deaths, too).

It's not possible to regard all of this evidence without concluding that **malice aforethought was at work here**. It's literally diabolical, what they did.

How it was done with so little pushback still confuses me. **I do know that from the late-1990s right through late-2019, there was a sequence of tabletop simulations of global pandemic scenarios & bioterrorism scenarios**, which allowed the perpetrators to hone their craft in the responses & control measures imposed. I believe some of these were translated onto the ground, giving emergency response team a chance to form & to rehearse what most of them thought were appropriate, given the fictional set up, though this is speculative.

Then we come to the "vaccines". Given a career in pharma and biotech, I knew that it was impossible to create a vaccine in under 5-6 years if they were going to demonstrate clinical safety and hone manufacturing to yield the customarily high quality manufacturing necessary to produce tightly defined final drug product. If the latter if not done, it's pointless doing the former, because what would otherwise be injected wouldn't be what had been used in the clinical trials.

In other words, if there was a need for a new vaccine, you would never even contemplate running such a program, because no pandemic in history lasts a fraction of the minimum time necessary to create a safe and effective new vaccine.

Yet they went ahead. This too is malevolent, let alone the extraordinary lying, censorship & smearing of dissenters.

Given my entire career used "rational drug design" principles to design and test molecules, I was able to put myself in the shoes of the designers of the jabs.

There are several, completely obvious safety issues built into these products.

One is the axiomatic induction of "autoimmune" responses, regardless of which antigen was selected.

The next was choice of antigen, where no one would pick spike protein, because it was highly likely to be directly toxic, it's subject to the most rapid mutation (so a vaccine might lose efficacy) & also it's the least different from human proteins (and so might trigger bystander attacks on even somewhat similar self proteins).

Yet all four leading players chose this antigen. What a coincidence! I'd have called up my peers in the other companies to endure we didn't do that. That's because it would be highly undesirable to have common risks to all programs.

On formulation, the mRNA-based products both selected LNPs to encapsulate their message. Yet there was industry knowledge that these not only travel all over the body including into the brain but that they accumulate in the ovaries.

Yet, knowing this, the companies & regulators went ahead and then others compounded the toxicity risk by recommending these injections in pregnant women and children.

I was still slow to piece together all this evidence of carefully thought out harms. But eventually I got there and have been speaking in what many regard as extreme terms ever since.

I'm afraid there's no hiding from the reality that this is a global coup d'etat and intentional mass murder.

Worse, we see the encroachment of surveillance technology and legal powers to introduce digital ID & CBDC as well as to eliminate cash.

It's not difficult to come up with scenarios where presentation of digital ID will become mandatory.

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