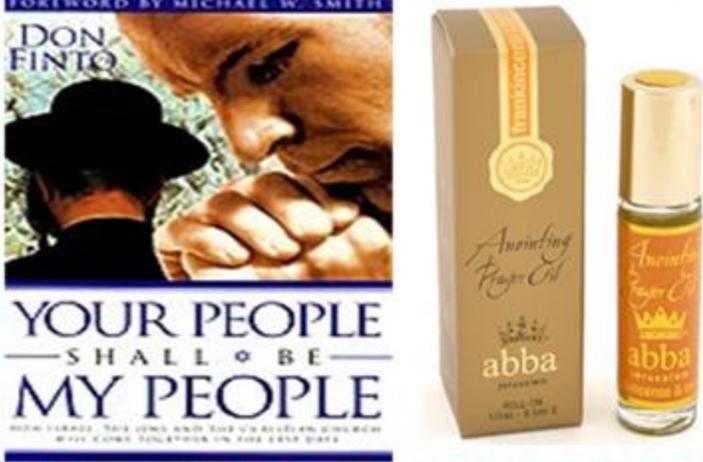


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OBAMA INVOKES WAIVER POSTPONING USA EMBASSY RELOCATION TO JERUSALEM: President Barack Obama invoked a waiver on Wednesday, 3 June, 2015 postponing the relocation of the American embassy to Jerusalem for at least another six months. Despite Congressional legislation mandating that the USA move its mission to the Israeli capital, successive administrations dating back to the Clinton regime have used presidential authority to postpone implementation of the law by citing “national security interests.” Jerusalem is not recognized as Israel’s capital, and the international community’s position is that its status is to be negotiated in talks between Israel and the Palestinians. The Palestinians seek a state with east Jerusalem as its capital, while Israel’s official position is to keep the city united under its sovereignty. USA candidates often express their intention to move the embassy to Jerusalem from its current location in Tel Aviv, only to invoke the presidential waiver upon entering office. On a different front, President Obama took a step toward a tougher line with Israel in an interview released Tuesday, 2 June, 2015 raising the possibility that the USA will allow a UN vote on issues related to the Palestinians if the two sides make no meaningful movement toward peace. (J.Post)

PA CHILDREN’S SHOW REDRAWS MAP: A Palestinian Authority (PA) children's show has once again redrawn the map of Israel, the Middle East Media Research Institute exposed Tuesday 2 June, 2015 - this time, after infiltrating Tel Aviv itself. The official

PA children's show features a puppet claiming he is from Jaffa and that nearby Tel Aviv was "stolen and renamed" by "the occupation." There are assurances for the young viewers, however: "I am certain that Jaffa - and not only Jaffa, but also Haifa, Acre, Nazareth, and all the Palestinian cities occupied in 1948 - will return to us one day," the studio host adds. Official PA children's shows have regularly redrawn all of Israel as 'Palestine,' according to several exposes by watchdog group Palestinian Media Watch, and similar propaganda has been touted by the PA on a governmental level. In January, for example, the PA "Tourism Ministry" replaced 'Israel' with 'Palestine' in an official presentation at a festival in Bethlehem. (Israel National News)

AT LEAST TWO ROCKETS FIRED FROM GAZA, FALL IN SDOT NEGEV: At least two rockets were fired from the Gaza Strip at southern Israel on Wednesday, 3 June, 2015 at around 11 pm local time, with one of them falling in an open area in the Sdot Negev Regional Council. No one was hurt from the rocket fire. Before the rockets fell, Code Red sirens were sounded in Netivot, Ashkelon, Bnei Shimon Regional Council and Sdot Negev Regional Council. Israeli security forces were searching the area for any additional rockets. The projectiles aimed at the Israeli city of Ashkelon and town of Netivot were the second such launchings at Israel in the past week, marking an escalation since a hiatus in cross-border fire since a 50-day Israeli war with Hamas ended with an Egyptian-brokered truce in August, 2014. Israel retaliated on Thursday, 4 June, 2015 with bombing raids against three terrorist training camps, and a radical Islamist group sympathetic with ISIS that claimed responsibility for the attacks on Israel. (Ynet)

HAMAS ACTING TRUE TO PATTERN: It appears, after a lull of several months, that Hamas and other Gaza Strip terrorist factions are renewing their tactic of taking weekly potshots at Israel's southern communities. One or two rockets lobed into Israel's Negev every ten days, according to past patterns, will then increase to two or three weekly incidents. Most rockets land outside of populated areas - but not always. The physiological wear and tear on Israeli families, children, school and business officials, is the primary purpose of such intermittent hits. Hamas eventually accelerates attacks on Israel until a full-scale operation is required, once again, to bring the situation under control. Then, the nations rise up and condemn the Jewish state for protecting its citizens and communities. And of course, the rhetoric against Israel increases across Europe, and anti-Semitic violence takes another continental leap - all for the way Israel treats the "poor Palestinians" and their terrorist leaders who hate, incite against, and have no other vision than the ultimate destruction of Israel. (JNN Editors)

PM: WE RELY ONLY ON OURSELVES AGAINST IRAN'S TERROR MACHINE: PM Netanyahu visited the IDF Homefront Command base on Tuesday, 2 June, 2015 to observe the Homefront Command's annual nationwide drill "Turning Point." As part of the drill, sirens sounded around the country except in the Gaza Belt area at 11:05 a.m. and sounded again at 7:05 p.m., with the aim being to ensure the siren system is functional in all regions and to have citizens practice taking cover at their

nearest shelter. According to Netanyahu the security challenges Israel is facing are continuing to grow, with the prime threat being rockets and missiles provided for the most part by Iran, the leading state sponsor of terrorism. Iran has been supplying weapons to its Lebanese terror proxy Hezbollah as well as Hamas in Gaza. "There is very systematic and intensive work here to defend the Israeli homefront," said Netanyahu. "We have been doing it for several years now; it was seen in (Operation) Protective Edge in the great defense, but the challenges are always accumulating around us." He emphasized that "When it comes to the security of Israel, I rely first of all on ourselves, and the proof of that is the agreement being formulated between world powers and Iran, which both paves the path for Iran to produce many atomic bombs and also streams many billions of dollars into the coffers of Iran. With this money it can continue to arm our enemies with high-trajectory weapons, and it will also arm its war and terror machine, which is acting against us and against the Middle East. It is many times as dangerous as the terror machine of Daesh, even though it too is very dangerous," warned Netanyahu, using the Arabic acronym for ISIS. (Arutz-7)

OFFICIAL: IDF WOULD 'CLEAR OUT SOUTH LEBANON IF WAR BREAKS OUT': The Middle East is getting more dangerous, a top IDF official said Wednesday, 3 June, 2015. With that, said the official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, Israel's situation is "good," at least for the short-term. Terror is rising in the region, he said, as ISIS continues to plow through Arab countries in its efforts to grow its "caliphate." While the rest of the Middle East is boiling, Israel is experiencing its quietest security year since 2000, the official said. "The borders to the north, where Hezbollah is to be found, and to the south, where Hamas is, are unusually quiet," the official said. While Hezbollah is busy trying to preserve Bashar al-Assad's rule in Syria, sending its terrorists to help his army against Sunni Islamist rebel groups, as well as ISIS and Al-Qaeda, there is another reason the terror group is quiet. "In recent years Hezbollah has been embraced by Iran, and we see them as a proxy for Tehran. They are no doubt aware of the IDF's plans in case hostilities break out – a quick evacuation of all of the residents of south Lebanon, so the IDF can effectively act there. "We have a map of about 10,000 urban targets where Hezbollah is storing weapons in south Lebanon. Every one of them will be targeted within hours if a war breaks out. Hezbollah would do well to keep the peace in Lebanon and on our border with it." In Syria, the situation is more dire for Assad than ever, the official said. There, too, Iran is very active, and Israel expects whoever ends up running that country to keep their conflict to themselves. (Arutz-7)

AFTER CEO'S ANTISEMITISM, ORANGE 'DUMPS' ISRAEL: The French cell phone company Orange announced on Thursday afternoon 4 June 2015 that it has decided to halt its operations in Israel and end its partnership with the Israeli company Partner, which franchises Orange's name in Israel. The dramatic move comes as Israel is launching a political campaign in response to the insulting comments made the previous day by Stephane Richard, CEO of Orange, in which he said he wished he could "dump" Israel "tomorrow," which he in fact did." Orange doesn't want to continue to hold its

brand name in countries in which it isn't the direct provider. Therefore, Orange is interested in putting an end to giving permits to (use) its brand name," read the Orange statement announcing the move. The Israeli Ambassador to France, Yossi Gal, expressed how seriously Israel views the comments of the French company's CEO, and called on the French authorities to condemn the remarks. Several Jewish organizations in France have launched a wave of protest, with some of them urging French Jews to cut their service with Orange. Culture and Sports Minister Miri Regev (Likud) responded to the statements as well, calling on French President Francois Hollande to immediately fire Richard if he does not apologize for his anti-Semitic comments. (Israel National News)

UK STUDENT UNION VOTES TO BOYCOTT ISRAEL: The UK's official student body, the National Union of Students (NUS), has voted to boycott all Israeli companies and officially affiliate with the Boycott Divestment and Sanctions (BDS) Movement. According to the Jewish Chronicle, the vote was conducted via secret ballot, and was initially due to be held at the NUS national conference in April, 2015 but postponed due to shortage of debate time. The vote follows last year's decision by NUS to endorse the BDS movement and encourage students to participate in actions against Israel, triggering condemnation from the Union of Jewish Students (UJS). Astonishingly, the same NUS last year rejected a motion condemning the brutal ISIS terrorist group, claiming that a motion by pro-Kurdish students to do so was "Islamophobic." (INN)

IRAN CONTINUES TO DEVELOP BALLISTIC MISSILE TECHNOLOGY THAT CAN BE USED FOR NUCLEAR WEAPONS, despite the ongoing P5+1 talks over its nuclear program, according to a Pentagon report released to the Senate Armed Services Committee. The current nuclear talks, with a deadline of June 30, fail to address Iran's missile program. Rep. Ron DeSantis (R-Fla.), member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, declared, "I think that this is a major, major shortcoming of these negotiations,...[which] may rank as even a bigger concession than the concessions about Fordow, the concessions about Arak heavy water reactor, the concessions about the advanced centrifuges." Michael Eisenstadt, Director of the Military and Security Studies Program at The Washington Institute for Near East Policy, said "It would have been preferable if, I think, missiles were folded into negotiations." The fact that they are not, he continued, underscores the need to address Iran's past work on weaponization.

On Tuesday, the Hudson Institute hosted an event on Iran's missile program, focusing on both the conventional and unconventional threats it poses. Iran's missile program enables the regime to act more aggressively in the region, intimidating its neighbors and providing its proxies with rockets, while giving it the option to launch nuclear warheads. In April 2013, James Clapper, Director of National Intelligence, told members of Congress, "We judge Iran would likely choose a ballistic missile as its preferred method of delivering a nuclear weapon, if one is ever fielded. Iran's ballistic missiles are capable of delivering WMD." He continued, "Iran already has the largest inventory of ballistic

missiles in the Middle East, and it is expanding the scale, reach, and sophistication of its ballistic missile arsenal.”

Moreover, Dr. David Cooper, Professor and Chair of the Department of National Security Affairs at the U.S. Naval War College, explained that “Iran does say that their nuclear weapons program is peaceful, but I would argue that the missiles may tell a different story.” He then concluded, “Iran has a very capable missile force, and the nature and scale of those programs has long belied the peaceful nuclear intentions that Iran claims.”

QATAR’S STOCK MARKET HAS TAKEN A HIT IN THE WAKE OF THE ONGOING CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS INTO FIFA AND THE RESIGNATION OF FIFA PRESIDENT SEPP BLATTER, which has thrown doubt on Qatar’s bid to host the 2022 World Cup, The Wall Street Journal reported (Google link) today. The Journal reported that in the wake of last week’s arrests of a dozen FIFA officials and sports marketing executives, the United States is building a case against Blatter. Swiss authorities are investigating how Russia and Qatar won their bids for hosting the 2018 and 2022 World Cup tournaments, respectively. Qatar is currently building five stadiums for the 2022 tournament amid charges that it treats migrant workers as slaves, hundreds of whom have died working in harsh conditions. In *The Fruitful Game: How Qatar Uses Soccer to Polish Its Image*, which was published in the October 2014 issue of *The Tower Magazine*, associate editor Ben Cohen wrote about the corruption charges that have dogged Qatar’s World Cup bid and could now endanger its winning bid in the wake of Blatter’s resignation. In *Could Israel Get Booted Out of Soccer?*, which was published in the June 2015 issue of *The Tower Magazine*, written prior to Blatter’s reelection and subsequent resignation as FIFA president, assistant editor Aiden Pink described how closely identified Blatter was to Qatar’s World Cup bid. (via TheTower.org)

CHINESE INVESTMENT IN ISRAELI TECHNOLOGY IS BREAKING ALL RECORDS. And news that Alibaba, the world’s biggest e-commerce company, may be opening a research-and-development center here has the local business world excited for the future. The value of financing rounds involving Chinese investors is projected to grow 54 percent this year, according to a new IVC Research Center report. At the beginning of 2015, local venture capitalists, business developers and high-tech experts forecast a bumper year for Israel in terms of investment, acquisitions and seed money from Asia. Not even halfway through the year, and the IVC report shows that financing rounds involving at least one Chinese investor already stand at \$117 million in 2015. If early-year trends continue, investment rounds with Chinese participation will top \$467 million by the year’s end – way higher than last year’s \$302 million financing. “There’s no question that there’s been an increase in Chinese interest in Israel. In terms of investment, it’s not just the fact that Israeli tech is exciting to the Chinese investor but Chinese investors have also noticed there’s another market for them to invest in,” Ryan Dritz, director of business development at the Asian Institute, tells ISRAEL21c. “There

are huge amounts of VC money floating around China at the moment and they're continuously looking for new markets, and Israel has just exploded.” (via Israel21c)

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