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WE'LL DO 'EVERYTHING POSSIBLE' TO STOP IRAN DEAL: USA HOUSE SPEAKER: USA House of Representatives Speaker John Boehner on Wednesday 22 July, 2015 said he and others in Congress would do "everything possible" to stop a new nuclear deal with Iran from moving forward. "Members of Congress will ask much tougher questions when we meet with the president's team, and because a bad deal threatens the security of the American people, we're going to do everything possible to stop it." The government of Israel continued that same day to press lawmakers to block the deal, with Israeli Ambassador Ron Dermer meeting privately with a group of about 40 House conservatives. Dermer discussed "paths forward" in Congress' oversight of the deal. The Israeli government opposes the agreement. Full House and Senate debates and votes to approve or reject the nuclear agreement are expected in September, after Congress returns from an August recess. "It's always the administration - not Congress - that carries the burden of proof in a debate of this nature. And it seems the administration today has a long way to go with Democrats and Republicans alike," Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, a Republican, said on Wednesday 22 July, 2015. (Yahoo)

AFTER EU LABELING OF JUDEA & SAMARIA GOODS, PAPER PROPOSES BANKING STEPS ON ISRAEL: The European Union agreed this week to push ahead with labeling Israeli goods made in settlements in Judea & Samaria, a move that has alarmed the Israeli government; but now there are proposals to go much further, including targeting Israeli banks. In a paper to be published this week, the European Council on Foreign Relations, whose proposals frequently inform EU policy-making, argues that the EU is in breach of its own laws and must move much more firmly to distinguish its dealings with Israel from Israel's activities in Judea & Samaria. European diplomats have long said that labeling is only the first in a series of steps the EU could take against Israel over its settlements policy, one that in financial terms is expected to have a relatively minor impact on the Israeli economy.

But the new proposals would go much deeper and further, reaching into banking, loans and mortgages, qualifications earned in settlement institutions and the tax-exempt status of European charities that deal with Israeli settlements. "Under its own regulations, Europe cannot legally escape from its duty to differentiate between Israel and its activities in the Palestinian territories," says the report. The authors argue that by pushing much further to separate the EU's dealings with Israel from the settlements, it will force Israel to decide what sort of relationship it wants with Europe and in turn encourage it to return to talks with the Palestinians on a two-state solution to the conflict. The Israeli government has described Europe's steps on labeling as discriminatory and wrong-headed, suggesting they are akin to the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions (BDS) movement, which Israel regards as anti-Semitic. (INN)

ISRAEL DOES NOT INTEND TO REACT TO EUROPEAN GROUP'S SETTLEMENT BOYCOTT PAPER: Israel said on Wednesday, 22 July, 2015 that it would not respond to a European think tank's recommendation to the EU to move much more firmly to distinguish its dealings with Israel from Israel's activities in Judea & Samaria. Foreign Ministry spokesman Alov Lavistressed that the proposals are coming from a European think tank, and not from the European Union. "We have no intention to respond to a research paper from one research institute or another," Lavi said. The website of the European Council of Foreign Relations lists under its experts category three people who deal with Israel, one of whom is Dimi Reider, who writes as well for the hard left +972 blog. Left wing analyst Daniel Levy, one of the founders of J Street, is also a part of this think tank. This is not the first time that organization has published a paper calling on the EU to take a more confrontational stance toward Israel, doing so as well in a report in 2013. (Arutz-7)

ISRAEL: HALT EU FUNDING OF NGOs THAT OPPOSE ISRAEL'S RIGHT TO EXIST: European governments provide 100-200 million euros annually to groups working to delegitimize the Jewish state, the Israel Foreign Ministry said. Deputy Foreign Minister Tzipi Hotovely has met with the Dutch foreign minister, the Spanish deputy foreign minister, and the ambassadors of Sweden, the EU, the UK, Denmark, and

Switzerland, presenting them with evidence that their governments provide financial assistance to organizations that support boycotts against Israel, "accuse it of ethnic cleansing, apartheid, and war crimes; depriving the Jewish people of their right to self-determination." Hotovely said some of these organizations are associated with and actively support terror groups, and that Israel sees support for those opposing its right to exist as crossing a red line. (Ynet)

PM: ISRAEL IS BEING TRIED IN GLOBAL KANGAROO COURT: PM

Binyamin Netanyahu addressed the Knesset Wednesday, 22 July, 2015 in honor of visiting Italian PM Matteo Renzi, and said that Israel is being accused by the world despite having committed no crime. "We are not without mistakes, but when we are painted as the source of evil in the world, that is a blatant lie that conjures up clear memories from the past," Netanyahu said. "The attitude of the new anti-Semites is a direct continuation of the blood libels and the antisemitism throughout the ages. Jews were always falsely tried, throughout history. The Jewish state is on trial in a kangaroo court, and the results are known in advance, in some of the world's nations." However, the PM emphasized, a key difference today is that with the State of Israel Jews now have the ability to protect themselves against their accusers. "Now we have the strength to resist those who wish us ill, to disprove the lies that are being told about us and to make pacts with enlightened nations like yours, against the lie and for the truth," he told his Italian guest. Regarding renewed pressure on Israel to negotiate with the Palestinian Authority, Netanyahu said: "We want peace with our neighbors, but it must be a real and solid peace, with security arrangements and demilitarization on the ground." European countries continue to criticize Israel harshly. They will be able to advance true peace only when they recognize the principles of mutual recognition and security for Israel." (Arutz-7)

ITALIAN PM: 'WHOEVER WANTS TO BOYCOTT ISRAEL DOESN'T

REALIZE HE IS HARMING HIS OWN FUTURE: Italian Prime Minister Matteo Renzi hailed ties between his country and Israel and railed against "stupid" boycotts in a speech to the Knesset Wednesday, 22 July, 2015. The Italian Prime Minister called for a two-state solution with security for both sides, and said the Palestinians must recognize the Jewish People's right to a state in its homeland. That right, he said, "does not exist because of the world's generosity after the Holocaust. Israel existed hundreds of years before. It exists despite the Holocaust and it will continue to exist with the support of its friends in Europe and the world. "You do not only have the right to exist, you must exist and live for the future of your children and mine." he stated. Addressing his Italian counterpart, PM Netanyahu expressed his appreciation for the Italian government's support for Israel and their help in fighting the BDS movement. "You are a true friend of Israel, you are for true peace and against boycotts," Netanyahu said. (J. Post) *The impact of BDS is more psychological than real so far and has had no discernible impact on Israeli trade or the broader economy. The sanctions, however, do run the risk of hurting the Palestinian economy. The BDS crowd would impair economic ties, despite*

evidence that trade between peoples lessens the outbreak of war. Israel employs 110,000 Palestinians and has built 16 industrial parks in Judea & Samaria and east Jerusalem hosting 1,000 facilities where Jews and Arabs work shoulder-to-shoulder. BDS activists seek to undermine all of this.

SICK: PALESTINIAN VILLAGE CELEBRATES MURDER OF MALACHI

ROSENFELD: Residents from the Arab village of Silwad northeast of Ramallah held a mass celebration on Monday night 20 July, 2015 - over the death of an Israeli whom Hamas terrorists targeted in a shooting attack last month. A convoy of cars ran through the village waving the Hamas flag and shouting encouraging slogans over the death of Malachi Rosenfeld. Rosenfeld, 26, succumbed to wounds he sustained in a terrorist shooting attack on June 29, 2015. PA news sources said that residents of Silwad feel proud because the terrorists responsible hailed from their settlement. Last week, the Israel Security Agency arrested a Hamas terror cell responsible for the attack; the same cell carried out another shooting attack two days earlier, at an ambulance and other Israeli vehicles. (Arutz-7)

WEIZMANN INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE RANKED TENTH IN THE WORLD FOR RESEARCH QUALITY:

Rehovot's Weizmann Institute of Science has been ranked tenth in an international ranking of research institutions and universities and is the only one of the top 10 to be located outside the USA. The ranking is conducted by the Center for Science and Technology Studies (CWTS) of Leiden University in the Netherlands. The CWTS Leiden Ranking is based solely on numeric indicators instead of question-based surveys. That includes publishing statistics for the scientists of the various universities and how often the papers are cited by other researchers. According to the report, 19 percent of the research papers published by Weizmann researchers were ranked in the top 10% of scientific papers for impact. In addition, 21.4% of papers by Weizmann scientists in the life sciences and medicine were also ranked in the top 10% for impact. 2.4% of the Institute's scientific articles are ranked in the first percentile for highest scientific impact, and 64.7% were in the top half for the impact factor. (J. Post)

UN SECURITY COUNCIL ENDORSES IRAN NUCLEAR DEAL AMID

OBJECTIONS IN CONGRESS: The UN Security Council on Monday, 20 July, 2015 unanimously endorsed the Iran nuclear deal, over the objections of USA lawmakers who wanted the panel to wait until Congress formally reviews the landmark agreement. The vote is the first formal step at the international body toward implementing the deal and rolling back UN sanctions. The White House says the Security Council's actions won't take effect for another 90 days, but congressional lawmakers nevertheless had urged President Obama to halt Monday's vote - and allow Congress to vote first. "I don't know why they're going to the United Nations now," said Sen. Ben Cardin, top Democrat on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. Cardin was joined by several top-ranking lawmakers on both sides of the aisle in urging a pause at the UN. Congress has 60 days to review the deal - and then vote for or against it, or take no action. (Fox)

ISRAELI ENVOY ‘SPOILS THE PARTY’ AT UN FOLLOWING IRAN DEAL

VOTE: Israel's ambassador to the UN Ron Prosor took on the UN Security Council on Monday, 20 July, 2015 just after it unanimously approved a draft resolution implementing the Iranian nuclear deal with the West. "You have awarded a great prize to the most dangerous country in the world," Prosor began. "I hate to be the one to spoil the party, but someone has to say 'the emperor has no clothes.' Today is a very sad day," he continued, "not only for the State of Israel, but for the entire world. Without checking first to see that Iran is already taking steps to comply with the agreement, passing the draft resolution is like allowing a criminal to sit on the jury to decide his own fate," Prosor said. "It's not only that you have not cured the symptoms, you have strengthened the source of the problem," he added. "You have given the source of the problem - Iran - money, stability at home, and the time to carry out its destructive ideology."

"You in the international community have a bad track record when it comes to seeing impending disasters, even when they are right in front of your eyes," Prosor fired, citing the Arab Spring and the nuclear deal made with North Korea as examples. Prosor presented a map to the audience of "Iran's empire of terror," saying, "Iran will now have 150 billion dollars to fund terrorist groups. So the 150 billion question is, what will this map look like tomorrow?" (Arutz-7)

KHAMENEI HAILS HIS PEOPLE FOR DEMANDING DEATH TO AMERICA

AND ISRAEL: In a viciously anti-USA speech delivered in Tehran four days after Iran and the world powers signed an accord designed to thwart Iran's nuclear program, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei praised "the slogans of the people of Iran" which "indicated what directions they're heading for," according to the English translation of his speech by Iran's Press TV. Khamenei also vowed in the speech, which was broadcast live on state television, that the nuclear agreement with the major powers would not change Iran's policy against the "arrogant American government" nor would it change the Islamic Republic's policy of supporting its "friends" [terrorist groups] in the region. (Times of Israel)

KERRY SAYS KHAMENEI'S VOW IRAN WILL DEFY USA IS 'VERY

TROUBLING': USA Secretary of State John Kerry said a speech by Iranian Supreme Leader Ali Khamenei on Friday, 17 July, 2015 vowing to defy American policies in the region despite a deal with world powers over Tehran's nuclear program was very disturbing. "I don't know how to interpret it at this point in time, except to take it at face value, that that's his policy," he said in the interview with Saudi-owned Al Arabiya television. "But I do know that often comments are made publicly and things can evolve that are different. If it is the policy, it's very disturbing, it's very troubling," he added. Ayatollah Khamenei told supporters on Saturday 18 July, 2015 that USA policies in the region were "180 degrees" opposed to Iran's, at a speech in a Tehran mosque punctuated by chants of "Death to America" and "Death to Israel." (J.Post)

‘TERRORISTS FREED IN SHALIT DEAL ARE MURDERING US’: Opponents of the 2011 deal that freed captured soldier Gilad Shalit in exchange for 1,070 terrorist prisoners are experiencing a sad vindication as more and more Israelis are being murdered by terrorists released in that deal. News of the arrest of the terror ring that was responsible for the recent murder of Malachi Rosenfeld includes the information that the cell was directed from Gaza by Ahmed Najar, who was freed in the Shalit deal. Col. Baruch Mizrachi and Danny Gonen were also murdered by terrorists freed in the Shalit deal, and the terrorists who murdered the three youths – Naftali Frenkel, Gilad Sha’ar and Eyal Yifrah – in 2014 were also directed from Gaza by a terrorist released in that deal. “The terrorists freed in the Shalit deal are murdering us,” said MK Moti Yogeve. Political reporter Amit Segal wrote Sunday, 19 July, 2015 in his blog that Israeli society had reached a state of insanity by 2011, when the Israeli government convened to approve the release of the terrorists, who had murdered 619 Israelis in total. Anyone who opposed the release was perceived as “a cold hearted cynic, who supports Gilad’s death,” wrote Segal. “The final, winning argument that was presented before the prime minister and ministers was - ‘and what if it was your son?’” That argument can now be answered, wrote Segal, with: “And what if Baruch had been your father? And what if Malachi was your brother? And Danny? And Naftali, Gilad and Eyal?” (Israel National News)

ISRAELIS PERFORM LIFESAVING SURGERY ON 10 TANZANIANS: An Israeli delegation of 20 doctors, nurses and medical technicians has returned from Tanzania after performing lifesaving heart surgery on more than 10 local children and examining hundreds more with congenital heart defects. The delegation traveled to the eastern African country under the auspices of Wolfson Medical Center’s Save a Child’s Heart (SACH) organization. Some of the youngsters who were examined will be brought to Israel in a few months to undergo cardiac surgery at Wolfson. Headed by surgeon Lior Sasson, the team was in Africa for a week to examine, treat and operate on children in Dar es Salam. Also on board was a young surgeon from Ethiopia whose name was given as Dr. Yaio. He has been undergoing advanced training at the Holon hospital, and in another three years he will return to Ethiopia to work as his country’s first pediatric cardiac surgeon. (Jerusalem Post)

MOST ANCIENT TORAH SCROLL SINCE DEAD SEA SCROLLS FOUND AND RESTORED: A small, seemingly unremarkable burned parchment fragment found 45 years ago during excavations on the western shore of the Dead Sea has emerged after hi-tech sequencing as part of the Book of Leviticus from a 1,500-year-old Torah scroll. The find from an excavation of the ark of the synagogue at Ein Gedi was deemed the most important discovery since the Dead Sea Scrolls at its unveiling this week at the Israel Museum. Dr. Sefi Porath, who led the excavations explained that Ein Gedi – a Jewish village in the Byzantine period during the 4th-7th centuries AD – was once a prosperous community that housed a synagogue featuring a mosaic floor and ark. “The settlement was completely burned to the ground, and none of its inhabitants ever returned to reside

there again.” The archeologist said it took scientists and researchers around the globe over one year to decipher the Torah verses. “The burnt relic is the most ancient scroll from the five books of Moses to be found since the Dead Sea scrolls, most of which are ascribed to the end of the Second Temple period” he said. After the fragment of the Ein Gedi scroll was scanned, the results were sent to Professor Brent Seales of the University of Kentucky, who developed a digital-imaging software capable of visualizing the text. It is the first time in any archaeological excavation that a Torah scroll fragment was found in a synagogue ark. (Jerusalem Post)

ISRAEL INKS DEAL FOR \$1B. SOLAR POWER PLANT: Israel has signed a deal to build a multi-megawatt, thermo-solar power plant in the country’s southern Negev desert as part of a national goal to increase the use of renewable energy sources. The \$1.05 billion deal for the 121-megawatt plant was announced by the Finance Ministry on Sunday. A consortium of Israel’s Shikun & Binui and Spain’s Abengoa are to build the plant at Ashalim in the Negev, close to an existing solar plant. They hope to complete the project by 2018. Another scheme will see the construction of a photovoltaic power plant nearby, with the three facilities eventually set to provide up to two percent of Israel’s total electricity needs. The government has set a target to see 10% of the country’s electricity produced from renewable sources by 2020. Thermo-solar technologies use the sun’s rays to produce heat that drives generators, as opposed to photo-electric systems, which convert light into electricity. (Times of Israel)

ISRAELI YOUTH WINDSURFERS SNAG FOUR GOLD MEDALS AT WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS IN POLAND: Israel’s Noy Drihan and Yoav Omer returned home to a hero’s welcome after winning the girls and boys events, respectively, at the 2015 windsurfing Youth World Championship over the weekend in Gdynia, Poland. Over 130 sailors from 28 countries and five continents competed for the titles, but it was Israel’s windsurfers who claimed the gold medals in all four competitions, with 15-year-old Drihan of Eilat winning the Under-17 as well as the U19 event, while Kfir Azulay, also of Eilat, finished in first place in the boys U17’s and Omer triumphed in the U19’s. “I knew there were high expectations from me, but I gave my all and I’m delighted,” said Drihan. 16-year-old Omer from Sdot Yam said, “My goal was to win a medal in Poland and I’m happy that it was a gold.” (Jerusalem Post)

ISRAEL OFFERED ALTERNATIVE TO IRAN DEAL: Israel forcefully rejected USA President Obama's assertion last week that critics of the nuclear agreement with Iran have failed to present better options. "We have consistently laid out an alternative, which is a better deal that actually blocks Iran's path to the bomb and links the lifting of restrictions on Iran to tangible changes in Iranian behavior," a senior Israeli official said. The official also disagreed that it would have been impossible to keep up the international sanctions regime against Iran. "We don't believe that sanctions would collapse; on the contrary, we sincerely believe the sanctions can be maintained in place, if there is American leadership on this matter. If you're a German or a Swiss company and want to

do business in Iran but in so doing have to give up on the American market, it's a no-brainer. If forced to choose between the American and the Iranian economy, what are most rational people going to do? The senior Israeli official also challenged Obama's assertion that "99 percent of the world community" believes the Vienna agreement satisfactorily resolves the Iranian nuclear threat. "The entire international community is not backing the deal. There is a lot of opposition to it, especially from countries in the region," the official said. "Iran's neighbors - those who know Iran best - are united in opposition to the deal." (Times of Israel)

CONGRESSMAN INTRODUCES LEGISLATION CONDEMNING IRAN DEAL:

Congressman Peter Roskam introduced legislation expressing the sense of disapproval in the House of Representatives on the deal agreed to by the six world powers and Iran. The resolution, which is backed by 171 co-sponsors, including 14 of 22 House committee chairmen, is intended to build support for an expected vote on a formal joint resolution of disapproval in September. "This agreement fails on every level to ensure Iran never acquires a nuclear weapons capability. Tehran is allowed to keep much of its nuclear infrastructure intact and rewarded a \$150 billion cash infusion from sanctions relief," warned Roskam. "The so-called 'anytime, anywhere' inspections regime in reality provides Iran nearly a month's notice on inspections. And, in an unprecedented last-minute concession, the UN arms embargo and ban on ballistic missiles will be lifted in just a few short years," he continued.

"This is a bad deal, and it must be stopped," said Roskam. The unprecedented outpouring of support for this resolution proves that Congress will not rubber-stamp a deal that severely threatens the United States and our allies by paving Iran's path to a bomb." Several American legislators have warned against the deal with Iran. A law signed by Obama in May gives Congress the power to review and potentially reject a nuclear deal with Iran, but in spite of his willingness to allow Congress to debate the agreement, Obama has asserted he would veto any attempts to torpedo it. (INN)

STUDY-AMERICANS MORE WORRIED ABOUT IRAN THAN ISRAELIS ARE:

A Pew Research Center survey conducted in 40 countries has found that Iran's nuclear program is seen by Americans as the #2 global threat – after the threat posed by ISIS. According to the survey, 53% of Israelis have substantial concerns about the threat posed by Iran's nuclear program. Roughly six-in-ten (62%) Americans say they are very concerned about Iran. While a median of 42% of Europeans express strong concern about Iran, according to Pew, only British citizens consider it to be one of the top two global dangers. The survey also shows that Israel is the only country out of the 40 surveyed in which Iran is seen as the top global threat. However, the survey did not include Saudi Arabia and the other Gulf states, which are known to be very concerned about Iran's nuclear ambitions. (INN)

ISIS-LINKED TWITTER ACCOUNT MENTIONED CHATTANOOGA

MINUTES BEFORE SHOOTING: An ISIS-linked Twitter account mentioned something about to happen in Chattanooga about 15 minutes before the first shooting Thursday 16 July, 2015 that left four Marines and a Navy sailor dead. According to multiple news sites, the tweet read "O American Dogs/soon/YOU Will see wonders" and included the hashtags #Chattanooga #USA and #ISIS. The tweet was sent out at 10:34 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time. The first shooting took place at about 10:50 a.m. at the Armed Forces Career Center. One person was shot in the leg. Moments later, the same shooter killed four Marines at the nearby Naval Operations Support Center. The shooter, who was killed by police, has been identified as Muhammad Youssef Abdulazeez, 24, originally from Kuwait. The assault took place amid warnings from USA counterterrorism officials that the ISIS terrorist group has called on its followers to mount attacks against USA targets, including military installations. (News Max)

AFTER OBAMA DELIVERS CHATTANOOGA REMARKS, KRAUTHAMMER

NOTES AN ALARMING PATTERN: After President Barack Obama delivered brief remarks in response to the shooting in Chattanooga, Tennessee, that claimed the lives of five USA military men, political pundit Charles Krauthammer said he noticed a pattern. The Fox News contributor said the attack on military personnel is an "example of radical Islam at work" and slammed the president for suggesting it was an isolated incident. "The general issue is radical Islam," he stated. "And we have a president who immediately says 'this is a lone gunman,' how does he know? It's sort of the whole six and a half years of Obama always wanting to err on the side of downplaying the threat. The threat is radical Islam, which he won't say," Krauthammer added. "The war is going to be generational." Krauthammer contended that by calling the shooter a "lone gunman," Obama "disconnected the dots." (The Blaze)

THE EMPIRE STATE BUILDING SUBMITS TO ISLAM: Not one day – not twenty-four hours after the Chattanooga jihad mass murder – the symbol of American individualism, capitalism, and the capital of the world, the Empire State Building, one of the foremost symbols of American freedom, celebrated the Muslim "holiday" of Eid al-Fitr, the end of Ramadan. Ramadan is the most violent month of the year in the Islamic world, because Ramadan is the month in which Muslims renew their devotion to Allah, and violent jihad is a supreme act of devotion to Allah. All told, 2,988 people were shot, burned, blown up, beheaded, or hacked to death in the cause of Islam during this "holy" month, with 3,696 wounded, beating last year's savage human toll of 2,429, with 2,028 wounded. The idea that the Empire State Building would turn green for Eid not a day after five USA soldiers were murdered in cold blood in the cause of Islam on American soil is surrender. Likewise, It is astonishing to think that just a few years after the greatest terrorist attack to ever hit America was carried out by Muslims on 9/11, that one of the greatest symbol of freedom in the in the world should pay homage to Islam's prophet Muhammad and Islam. (Breitbart)

ISIS CHILD SOLDIERS CARRYING OUT SUICIDE ATTACKS: The Syrian Observatory for Human Rights said days ago it had documented the deaths of 52 child soldiers, killed since the beginning of the year. All were under the age of 16, who had been part of the jihadist group's "Cubs of the Caliphate" program. As many as 31 "Cubs of the Caliphate" have been killed in July 2015 alone, in explosions, clashes, and air strikes by Syria's regime and the international coalition. The child soldiers are used to man checkpoints or gather intelligence from areas outside ISIS control, but the group has been increasingly using them to execute prisoners or conduct suicide attacks. In one case, ISIS released a video of children beheading nine Shiite victims. So far this year, ISIS has used eight children as suicide bombers, most recently in its fight against Kurdish militia in northeastern Syria, according to the Observatory. (Israel National News)

ISIS PUNISHES 94 SYRIANS FOR VIOLATING RAMADAN FAST: ISIS terrorists have punished at least 94 people, including five teenagers, for not fasting during the Muslim month of Ramadan, the Syrian Observatory for Human Rights said last week. The people were flogged, hung up by their arms crucifixion-style or put in metal cages in Raqqa, Aleppo and Deir al-Zor provinces. An opposition news portal posted a picture last week showing a boy hanging by his arms with a sign around his neck saying: "Broke fast without justifiable excuse under sharia [Islamic law]." (Reuters)

KRAUTHAMMER: US 'CAPITULATION' MAKES IRAN 'FREE' TO ACT AT WILL: The Iran deal is so bad, asserted prize-winning syndicated columnist Charles Krauthammer that "I think even skeptics of the deal have been shocked by the degree of the capitulation." Over the past several days, Krauthammer has written several pieces and discussed in interviews his disappointment with the deal he calls a farce. "We gave in on the idea of them having to dismantle their enrichment," Krauthammer said. "But even worse is the final capitulation, which was a giving in to a lifting of the embargo on ballistic missiles and conventional arms."

Krauthammer said while it is impossible to know if Iran will actually allow international inspectors into its nuclear facilities, there is one aspect of the agreement that has already come to fruition. The sanctions imposed on Iran "are now dead as a result of this agreement," Krauthammer argued. "Obama will, within days, go to the Security Council making almost totally irrelevant what Congress does. They are going to pass a UN resolution. It will probably be unanimous in approving the deal and part of that move will be to cancel all previous resolutions on sanctions." he stated. "We have no idea if the inspections are going to work," Krauthammer continued. "They won't. They're ridiculous with the almost one month of notice. We have no idea what's going to happen with the embargoes, but we know one thing. The sanctions are done. Iran is now free. They will not be re-imposed and that is a huge success for Iran." (Fox News/Arutz-7)

WEST TO TEACH IRAN HOW TO BLOCK ISRAELI NUCLEAR SABOTAGE: Disturbing points of the Iran nuclear deal signed Tuesday, 14 July, 2015 continue to come to light. One detail tucked away near the end of the deal's massive text is a section

entitled "Nuclear Safety, Safeguards and Security," which stipulates the West will train Iran to thwart sabotage against its nuclear facilities. According to text, Iran will learn how to secure its controversial and covert nuclear program from all threats thanks to training by the P5+1 countries consisting of the USA, UK, France, Germany, Russia and China, as well as the EU. The section begins with a clause saying that P5+1 parties, and possibly other states, are prepared to cooperate with Iran to establish a Nuclear Safety Center in Iran, and to engage in training events there." But then things take a turn, with the same world powers obligating to "co-operation in the form of training courses to strengthen Iran's ability to prevent, protect and respond to nuclear security threats to nuclear facilities and systems as well as to enable sustainable nuclear security and physical protection systems." Leaving no doubts about the intentions, the text then promises "co-operation through training and workshops to strengthen Iran's ability to protect against nuclear security threats, including sabotage." (Arutz-7)

POLL: ISRAELIS OVERWHELMINGLY OPPOSED TO IRAN DEAL: Nearly three-fourths of the Israeli public believe the West's deal with Iran on its nuclear program will not prevent the Islamic Republic from acquiring nuclear weapons within the next decade. In contrast, the poll, conducted this week by the Sarid Institute, found that only 10% of respondents "trust" the USA and believe it will prevent an Iranian bomb. Almost 70% of Israelis oppose the final agreement reached between Iran and the P5+1 world powers, while only 10% support it. Twenty percent of respondents had no opinion on the subject. As to what Israel's response to the deal should be, a third of Israelis polled answered that Israel should attack Iran's nuclear sites. Forty percent said there was no need for Israel to strike, while the rest voiced no opinion. (INN)

‘IRAN WAS ON THE VERGE OF GIVING UP NUKE PROGRAM’: An Israeli official stated to Israel Radio on Thursday 16 July, 2015 that with just a little more pressure, Iran would have given in completely on its nuclear program. But, the United States and its international partners failed by not being tough enough on Tehran, and conceding too many points too quickly. Iran, according to the official, was seriously "on the skids" - bankrupt to a degree far greater than Westerners realized. Nearly a decade of sanctions had taken its toll, and without a lifting of the sanctions, the government there realized it would soon be likely swept away by angry Iranians, who, leaders estimated, were desperate enough to rebel even given the country's repressive political system. With the nuclear deal, the pressure on Iran has been lifted, the official said, but had the USA held out a little longer, Iran would have capitulated and agreed to dismantle its nuclear program altogether. (Arutz-7)

IRAN RENEWS FINANCIAL AID TO HAMAS AND ISLAMIC JIHAD IN WAKE OF NUKE DEAL: After four months when Iran delayed transferring financial assistance to Hamas and Islamic Jihad because of budgetary concerns, it has in the last few days renewed the flow of money to Palestinian terror groups in Gaza - precisely because the new accord with the West gave it the confidence to do so. Iran emerges from

this accord strengthened, stable and with endless resources that will be directed to weaken Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Jordan, the Gulf States and Israel by every means possible. Additionally, in this year's budget, President Rouhani's administration has already increased Iran's defense budget by 32.5%. (Times of Israel)

ARAB STATES FEAR NUCLEAR DEAL WILL GIVE IRAN A BIGGER REGIONAL ROLE: Some Arab nations are worried that the Iran nuclear agreement will allow Iran to fund proxy wars and extend its regional influence, with one Saudi diplomat describing the deal as "extremely dangerous." He said, "If sanctions are lifted, Iran will try even harder to redesign the region. Iran is trying to change the Middle East, and this is unacceptable to Sunnis." Meanwhile, Iran's ally, Syrian President Assad, describing the deal as a "great victory." (Washington Post)

WIFE OF USA PASTOR HELD IN IRAN: MY HUSBAND WRONGLY OVERLOOKED IN NUCLEAR DEAL: President Barack Obama should have secured the release of jailed USA citizens before sealing a nuclear deal with Iran, and the accord should not win congressional approval until their freedom is guaranteed, the wife of a detained Iranian-American pastor said this week. Saeed Abedini, 35, a naturalized USA citizen, was sentenced by an Iranian court in 2013 to eight years in prison for allegedly compromising Iran's national security by setting up home-based Christian churches in his native country. His wife, Naghmeh Abedini of Boise, Idaho, said her husband has faced threats to his life from Islamic terrorists held in the same prison west of Tehran and that his physical and psychological health has deteriorated from a lack of medical care and from stays in solitary confinement.

Abedini is one of three Americans known to be currently detained in Iran. His spouse said their release should have been assured before Obama even agreed to the talks that produced a deal aimed at restricting Tehran's nuclear program in exchange for sanctions relief. Obama in response said any notion that he was content with Americans being held in Iran was "nonsense," but insisted that including their fate in the talks would only have undermined the USA bargaining position. Obama delivered the same message to Naghmeh Abedini and the couple's two young children when he visited them in Boise in January, 2015 she said. (J. Post)

VATICAN SEES IRAN DEAL IN 'A POSITIVE LIGHT': The Holy See lauded the nuclear deal struck between Iran and world powers this week, asserting that it views the agreement in "a positive light." Federico Lombardi, the head of the Holy See Press Office said, "It constitutes an important outcome of the negotiations carried out so far, although continued efforts and commitment on the part of all involved will be necessary in order for it to bear fruit. It is hoped that those fruits will not be limited to the field of nuclear program, but may indeed extend further," he added. (Jerusalem Post)

CANADA TO KEEP SANCTIONS AGAINST IRAN: Canada will keep its sanctions in place despite the nuclear agreement Iran has reached with major world powers. Foreign Affairs Minister Rob Nicholson said in a statement that Canada "will continue to judge Iran by its actions, not its words. We will examine this deal further before taking any specific Canadian action." (Globe and Mail, Canada)

NETANYAHU AND HERZOG AGREE ON UNITED FRONT WITH REGARDS TO IRAN: PM Binyamin Netanyahu and opposition chairman MK Yitzhak Herzog on 14 July, 2015 agreed on a united front with regards to the deal struck between the six world powers and Iran. Netanyahu met Herzog and updated him on the briefings that were given at the Security Cabinet regarding the security significance of the nuclear agreement. MK Herzog reiterated his remarks made earlier in the day and said that this is a bad agreement. He added that he would do his utmost on behalf of the security of the State of Israel in the new situation that has been created. Netanyahu told Herzog that the fact that there is agreement between the coalition and the opposition in Israel regarding the danger that this agreement poses to Israel's security is especially important at this time. He added that it is important to show the world a united front on this issue, which is linked to Israel's most significant national interest. Israel's Security Cabinet unanimously rejected the deal struck between world powers and Iran aimed at rolling back Tehran's nuclear program in exchange for sanctions relief. The forum agreed that Israel is not obligated by the terms of the deal. (INN)

ISRAEL'S MILITARY OPTION WILL NOT VANISH IN A POST-IRAN DEAL: According to Israeli intelligence assessments, Iran's Supreme Leader Ayatollah Khamenei has not given up on his goal of possessing nuclear weapons. Therefore, Israel has no intention of forfeiting its capability to launch an assault on the Iranian nuclear program. The IDF will set aside considerable defense budget funds to continue to build its long-range strike options. The nuclear deal is bad because it leaves too much enrichment capability and infrastructure in Iranian hands that can lead to nuclear weapons in the future. As long as the Iranian regime continues to officially call for Israel's destruction and retains a basis from which it could one day build nuclear weapons, Israel will retain its ability to intervene. Israel and many Sunni Arab states also fear the lifting of sanctions against Iran will fuel and escalate conflicts throughout the region, where Iran is arming, financing and training a variety of terrorist proxies and other militias to expand its control over the Middle East. (J. Post/INN)

ROUHANI: PROPAGANDA OF WARMONGERING ZIONIST REGIME IS DECEPTIVE: Following the announcement of the Iranian nuclear deal, Iran's President, Hassan Rouhani, thanked all those who played "Critical roles to reach this historic day, especially the great nation of Iran for enduring these unjust pressures." Rouhani continued to declare that "Today is a new chapter to work towards the growth and development of our dear Iran." He nevertheless cautioned the Iranian people against being "Deceived by the propaganda of the warmongering Zionist regime," alluding to

Israel's staunch opposition against the current deal. Rouhani said all Zionists efforts to defeat the agreement failed. Meantime, a source in Vienna said that the Iranians are laughing all the way to the bank with Western countries lining up to trade with Teheran and compensate her for agreeing to a deal. (INN, Ha'aretz)

ARAB ANALYSTS: WEST MAKING SAME MISTAKE WITH IRAN AS WITH HITLER: Analysts writing in Arab news media are saying that in the deal it made with Iran, the West has made the same mistake that it made when it appeased Adolf Hitler in 1938, according to veteran Arab affairs expert, Ehud Yaari. Yaari noted that Lebanese Druze leader Walid Jumblatt, whom he considers "one of the wisest men in the Middle East," said Tuesday, 14 July 2015 that the Arab world will never be the same, following the deal struck by the P5+1 nations and Iran. Jumblatt is far from alone, with the deafening silence from Gulf Arab capitals following the deal being interpreted as a clear sign Sunni Arab states are viewing it as a grave threat. In an interview with CNN's Arabic-language network, a senior Saudi Arabian source said that in signing the deal the Obama administration had "made an enormous mistake of historic proportions, leaving the next (USA) administration with a huge burden that it will struggle to fix." The source added that the deal with Iran "is encountering resistance" because "it is fundamentally flawed." (Arutz-7)

