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Putin Stands to Reap Benefits of Iran Nuclear Deal with US, Netanyahu Says; Former Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has urged the United States to reconsider a nuclear deal with Iran, as any funds could end up helping Russia sustain its invasion of Ukraine. "I believe that we should place heavy sanctions on Iran, and those who advocate lifting the sanctions, which is what this nuclear deal would do if it ever gets signed, would bring hundreds of billions of dollars not only to Iran, but to Russia's coffers as well," Netanyahu told American media in an exclusive interview. "So the people are saying, 'Let's take a tough stance against Russia' – [it's] actually taking a soft stance when they are willing to lift the sanctions on Iran," added Netanyahu, who just released his memoir, "Bibi: My Story." "I'd be a lot more consistent on that." Israel's election in two weeks will decide whether Netanyahu will return as prime minister after he narrowly lost the seat two years ago to a coalition of opposition parties. Netanyahu says that he approaches an election "assuming" that he will lose, but current polls show a slight majority in his favor. Israelis will go to the polls on November 1st. Netanyahu said that his first point of business, should he return as prime minister, would be to "complete the circle of peace" he started with Arab nations when he and then-President Trump initiated four peace deals that comprised the Abraham Accords, and the next phase would be to bring in Saudi Arabia.

Iranian Troops Move into Ukraine to Help Russia with Kamikaze Drones, US Says; Iranian troops have moved into Ukraine to help Russia use kamikaze drones that Tehran sold to Moscow to target Ukrainian civilians and infrastructure, the White House said Thursday, October 20. Russia purchased about 1,000 Shahed-136 drones from Iran at the end of August, "dozens" of which have been deployed across Ukraine since last month, US officials have said. "We can confirm that Russia's military personnel that are based in Crimea have been piloting Iranian [drones,] using them to conduct strikes across Ukraine, including strikes against Kyiv," National Security Council spokesman John Kirby said. "In just recent days, we assess that Iranian military personnel were on the ground in Crimea and assisted Russia in these operations." It's the first time in the eight-month-long war that a nation other than Russia has sent troops into Ukraine, though Russia has considered Crimea its own territory since it illegally annexed the region in

2014. "Both Iran and Russia continue to lie about it, denying that Iran is providing weapons to Russia for use in Ukraine," Kirby said. "They can lie to the world, but they certainly can't hide the facts. And the fact is this: Tehran is now directly engaged on the ground and through the provision of weapons ... that are killing civilians and destroying civilian infrastructure in Ukraine."

Ten Iranians Killed in Ukrainian Strikes – Report; Ten Iranians, training Russian soldiers, were reportedly killed in Ukrainian strikes over the past week, a Ukrainian official told media on Friday, October 21. The report comes as American and Ukrainian officials warned that Iranians are training Russians to use Iranian drones in Crimea. The Ukrainian National Resistance Center claimed on Wednesday that Iranian instructors were overseeing the Russian launching of kamikaze drones from within annexed Ukrainian territory. "The Russians took Iranian instructors to the territory of the temporarily occupied Kherson Region and Crimea to launch Shahed-136 kamikaze drones," the government body alleged, citing Ukrainian underground resistance. "They teach the Russians how to use kamikaze drones, and directly monitor the launch of drones on Ukrainian civilian targets, including strikes on Mykolaiv and Odesa." Pentagon Press Secretary Brig.-Gen. Pat Ryder stated on Thursday that "Iranians have been on the ground in Ukraine to assist Russia with the drone operations there." A spokesman for the Air Force of the Ukrainian Armed Forces stated on Friday that Ukraine had succeeded in downing 85% of the Iranian kamikaze drones fired by Russia.

Gantz: Israel May Supply Ukraine with Rocket and Drone Alert System, But Not Weapons; Defense Minister Benny Gantz on Wednesday, October 19, reiterated that Israel would not supply weapons to Ukraine to fight Russia's eight-month-long invasion, but said Jerusalem could supply an early-warning system to the beleaguered nation to warn of incoming strikes, like the one used in Israel. Speaking to a group of European Union ambassadors a day after Ukraine said it would submit a formal request for Israeli air defense systems like Iron Dome, Gantz ruled out the sale of such weapons. "Israel supports and stands with Ukraine, NATO, and the West. This is something we have said in the past and repeat today. Israel has a policy of supporting Ukraine via humanitarian aid, and the delivery of life-saving defensive equipment," Gantz said in remarks provided by his office. "This being said, I would like to emphasize that Israel will not deliver weapon systems to Ukraine due to a variety of operational considerations. We will continue to support Ukraine within our limitations, as we have done in the past," he said. "We have sent a request to the Ukrainians to share information about their needs for air defense alerts. Once we gain this information, we will be able to assist in the development of a life-saving civilian early-warning system," Gantz added.

Iran Blasts Warming Saudi Relations with Israel; A top Iranian general warned Saudi Arabia Thursday, October 20, against 'relying' on Israel, claiming that the Jewish state "is collapsing" and will lead to disaster for the Saudi royal family. Major General Hossein Salami, commander of Iran's Islamic Revolutionary Guards Corps, was quoted by the country's semi-official outlet as warning the Al-Saud dynasty of Saudi Arabia against developing Riyadh's relationship with Jerusalem. "This is our warning. Your house is that of a spider. You are relying on an Israel which is collapsing, and this will be the end of your era," Salami said during an address at the Qom Islamic Seminary Thursday. Salami also demanded that the US and UK end their sanctions against Tehran, and threatened reprisals for any possible attack. "Whatever move you make against the Iranian nation, you will receive blows several times harder." The general condemned the ongoing protests, launched in the wake of the death of a woman, Mahsa Amini, who was arrested by modesty police last month, blaming the demonstrations on Iran's foes overseas.

Report: More Than 350 Anti-Semitic Incidents Occurred on US College Campuses Last School Year; A total of 359 anti-Semitic incidents took place on U.S. college campuses during the 2021-22 academic year, according to a report released by the Anti-Defamation League.

The ADL's Campus Report documented instances of accusations or "genocide" and "ethnic genocide" levied against Israel, as well as the "ostracizing of Jewish students from campus organizations because of their assumed support for Israel or Zionism." Among the incidents, there were 165 protests/actions, 143 anti-Israel events, 20 BDS resolutions and referendums, 11 incidents of vandalism, nine instances of targeted verbal and/or written harassment, and one physical assault. In response to the large number of incidents, the ADL announced that it would be "broadening its educational and programmatic investment on campus, including the launch of an expanded online resource to support students and combat anti-Semitism on campus." The report provided information about the sources of funding for the student clubs responsible for many of the incidents, including Students for Justice in Palestine and Jewish Voice for Peace. While most funds come from student activity fees, the Rockefeller Brothers Fund funds JVP, and Westchester Peace Action Coalition sponsors SJP.

Recipes in this Holocaust Survivors' Cookbook Nourished Souls During and After WWII; David Lenga was not yet a teenager when World War II began. A Polish Jew born in Lodz, he would lose all but one member of his extended family in the Holocaust, while he himself suffered through the Dachau, Kaufering and Auschwitz concentration camps. Now, decades after the war, Lenga has preserved a prewar memory of his mother, Sarah — namely, the beloved recipes she made. Two of her pastry dishes are part of a remarkable new cookbook, "Honey Cake & Latkes: Recipes from the Old World by the Auschwitz-Birkenau Survivors." All of the 110-plus recipes in the book were contributed by survivors of the notorious death camp. The book was released on September 13, ahead of Rosh Hashanah. All of the sale proceeds will benefit the Auschwitz-Birkenau Memorial Foundation. The idea originated in a January 2020 delegation of 120 survivors, plus their family members, who returned to Auschwitz for the 75th anniversary of its liberation. The organizer of the visit was Ronald S. Lauder, the chairman of the Auschwitz-Birkenau Memorial Foundation and the president of the World Jewish Congress, as well as a former United States ambassador to Austria.

Can Israel's Marine Agriculture Feed the World's Future? On Wednesday, October 19, the agriculture ministers of Israel and Bahrain signed a first-of-its-kind joint declaration for the promotion and expansion of cooperation between the State of Israel and the Kingdom of Bahrain in the fields of agriculture, livestock and food security. Also agreed upon were the mutual sharing of knowledge, technology and diverse products to expand agricultural products and improve their production quality. "The issue of global food security is occupying us constantly – not only us, but the world. One of the solutions, in our point of view, is the production of food from the sea." Director General of the Agriculture Ministry Naama Kaufman Fass said. The signing took place during the world's first Sea the Future summit: an Eilat-based event that gathered aquaculture start-ups from throughout Israel, along with investors, ministers and other representatives from 25 countries to address the impending issue of global food security in the face of climate change, population growth and decreasing fertile areas for agricultural development.

Calls Grow for Israel to Send Ukraine Weapons, as US Officials Claim Iran Secretly Sends Missiles to Russia; Israeli ministers have said it is time for the country to support Ukraine with arms shipments after US officials claimed on Sunday, October 16, that Iran has secretly agreed to supply Russia with surface-to-surface missiles. The Islamic Republic has been sending drones along with Iranian troops into Ukraine to operate them, siding with Russia in its bloody invasion. Israeli Diaspora Affairs Minister Nachman Shai wrote on Twitter: 'There is no longer any doubt where Israel should stand in this bloody conflict. The time has come for Ukraine to receive military aid as well, just as the USA and NATO countries provide.' His comments came after there were reports quoted by American media, claiming that Iran is stepping up its arms supply to Russia. Tehran has finalized terms for additional weapons shipments, including two types of Iranian surface-to-surface missiles, the sources said. A shipment of Fateh-110 and

Zolfaghar missiles, weapons capable of striking targets at distances of 300 and 700 kilometers respectively, are set to be delivered for Putin's troops to use against targets in Ukraine — where Russian soldiers have been targeting civilians with missile strikes. Moscow has been searching for allies for its nearly eight-month war in Ukraine after invading the country on February 25, only to have its nose bloodied by fierce Ukrainian resistance and a subsequent counter-attack.

Russian Ex-President: If Israel Sends Weapons to Ukraine, It Will Destroy Moscow Ties; Former Russian President Dmitry Medvedev on Monday, October 17, warned Israel against sending weaponry to Ukraine, saying it would destroy all diplomatic relations between Jerusalem and Moscow. “It seems Israel will supply weapons to the Kyiv regime. A very reckless move. It will destroy all diplomatic relations between our countries,” Medvedev wrote on Telegram. Medvedev currently serves as the deputy chairman of the Security Council of Russia, and is considered to be a key ally of Russian President Vladimir Putin. His comments came shortly after explosive-laden suicide drones, apparently including Iranian-made Shaheds, struck Ukraine’s capital early Monday. At least one person was killed. There has been no official statement from Israel that it is planning to send military aid to Ukraine.

Israel Blasts Australian About-Face on Jerusalem Recognition; Israel on Tuesday, October 18, slammed the Australian government’s announcement that it will not recognize the city of Jerusalem as Israel’s capital. Earlier on Tuesday, Australian Foreign Minister Penny Wong said that the status of Jerusalem must be decided through peace talks between Israel and the Palestinians instead of unilateral decisions. “We will not support an approach that undermines a two-state solution”, Wong said, “Australia’s embassy has always been, and remains, in Tel Aviv”. Prime Minister Yair Lapid said the about-face by the new Labor government is a worrying sign. "Given the way Australia reached its decision, as a rushed response to a false media report, we can only hope that the Australian government is more serious in other matters." "Jerusalem is the eternal capital of Israel and nothing will ever change that," Lapid added. Israel’s Foreign Ministry also blasted the decision, vowing to summon Australia’s ambassador for a dressing down. "Israel expresses its deep disappointment in the face of the Australian government's decision which stems from short-sighted political considerations." "Jerusalem has been the capital of the Jewish people for 3,000 years and will continue to be the eternal and united capital of Israel regardless of this or that decision." Jerusalem Mayor Moshe Lion said he was "saddened" by Australia's decision. "The united city of Jerusalem was and will continue to be the capital of Israel forever. Declarations like this do not advance anything, and are of no benefit."

Many New Zealand Jews Have Been Harassed Over Zionism – Report; New Zealand Jews are saying that the most common form of anti-Semitism they experience is related to Israel and to anti-Zionism, according to the local human rights group "Humanity Matters." Overall, two-thirds (65%) of New Zealand Jews said that they have experienced anti-Semitism on social media in the last three years. The report aims to explore the Jewish experience in New Zealand and to understand the unique challenges facing the relatively small Jewish community. More than half (52%) of the Jewish people living in New Zealand said that they encountered anti-Semitic misinformation or disinformation online that was either directly related to Israel or to anti-Zionism during the last 12 months, according to the report. The next highest type of anti-Semitism was due to "financial" reasons, alluding to the anti-Semitic trope that claims Jewish people control international finance, or that Jewish people are "good with money." More than a quarter (27%) of the respondents said they encountered this kind of anti-Semitism online during the last 12 months. Only one percent of respondents said they have encountered no anti-Semitism online over the last 12 months.

Police Arrest 8 Palestinians Suspected of Aiding Escaped Gunman Who Killed Soldier; Eight Palestinians suspected of aiding a gunman who allegedly killed an Israeli soldier at a checkpoint near

Jerusalem earlier this month were arrested by Israeli security forces in the predawn hours of Tuesday, October 18. Sgt. Noa Lazar, 18, a member of the Military Police's Erez battalion, was shot on October 8 along with a civilian guard, when the gunman opened fire at a checkpoint near the Shuafat refugee camp in East Jerusalem. The guard was hospitalized in serious condition. Lazar was rushed to the hospital, but died of her wounds shortly after. The suspected shooter, 22-year-old Udai Tamimi, managed to flee the scene into the camp, where he is thought to likely still be hiding. Police said the eight suspects, residents of the Shuafat refugee camp and the nearby West Bank town of Anata, were relatives and acquaintances of Tamimi. A Border Police spokesman said that during the searches overnight, weapon parts and military vests were seized. The spokesman added that Palestinians hurled Molotov cocktails and stones at officers, who responded with riot dispersal means. There were no immediate reports of Palestinian injuries.

Record 1.5 Million Israelis Visited National Parks During Sukkot Break; A record-breaking number of Israelis flocked to the country's national parks over the weeklong Sukkot holiday, according to official data. The Nature and Parks Authority reported Monday, October 17, that approximately 1.5 million Israelis visited national parks and nature reserves over the past week, a 22 percent rise compared to Sukkot last year. The most popular sites were Caesarea National Park, which saw 44,000 visitors, followed by the Ein Gedi Nature Reserve, which attracted 35,000 people, and Masada National Park, which drew 32,000 visitors. Heritage sites like Masada and other ancient forts, including Yehiam and Apollonia, saw a particular increase in visitor interest. The head of the Nature and Parks Authority, Raya Shourky, said it partnered with the Tourism Ministry and Mifal HaPaysis, Israel's national lottery, to provide extra activities for visitors at the sites during the Sukkot break. The most visible initiative provided was "Breathing Culture," which included organized jugglers, singers, musicians and actors to entertain tourists at the parks.

Putin Courts Erdogan with Plan to Pump More Russian Gas Via Turkey; Russian President Vladimir Putin proposed to his Turkish counterpart Tayyip Erdogan on Thursday, October 13, that Moscow could export more gas via Turkey and turn it into a new supply "hub," bidding to preserve Russia's energy leverage over Europe. At a meeting in Kazakhstan, Putin said Turkey offered the most reliable route to deliver gas to the European Union, and the proposed platform would allow prices to be set without politics. Russia is looking to redirect supplies away from the Nord Stream Baltic gas pipelines, damaged in explosions last month, that are still under investigation. Russia blamed the West, without providing evidence, and rejected what it called "stupid" assertions that it had sabotaged the pipelines itself. Putin told Erdogan the hub would be "a platform not only for supplies, but also for determining the price, because this is a very important issue". "Today, these prices are sky-high," he said. "We could easily regulate [them] at a normal market level, without any political overtones." Relations with NATO member Turkey are vital to Russia at a time when the West has hit it with waves of economic sanctions, which Ankara has refrained from joining.

Cyprus, EU Launch Project to Link Island to European Grid; Cyprus launched an EU-funded project on Friday, October 14, to link the eastern Mediterranean island to the European electricity grid via an undersea power cable billed as the world's longest and deepest. The European Union has approved 757 million euros (\$736 million) in funding for the 1,200 kilometer (750 mile) cable to Greece, which will end the island's "energy isolation" as the only member state without any gas or electricity connection. The EU's executive arm, the European Commission, has said the "898 kilometers of undersea cables and maximum sea depth of 3,000 meters will set new world records for a project of this kind." Speaking at the launch ceremony, EU Energy Commissioner Kadri Simson said the surge in energy costs sparked by Russia's invasion of Ukraine earlier this year had underlined the project's importance. Simson said it would help Europe diversify its sources of energy and boost its energy security. She told the East Mediterranean Gas Forum conference in the Cypriot capital that the region can play an increasingly

important role as a short- to medium-term supplier of gas and pointed to a June deal for Israel to send more gas to EU countries through Egypt, which has facilities to liquefy it for export by sea.



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