

## Earthquakes and Wars Updates Judgement!

**Mark 13:7** And when ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars, be ye not troubled: for *such things* must needs be; but the end *shall* not be yet.

**8** For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be earthquakes in divers places, and there shall be famines and troubles: these *are* the beginnings of sorrows.

July 9, 2025

### Extreme heatwave in Europe claimed 2,300 lives in 10 days, study finds

Study led by Imperial College London finds 10-day heatwave in Europe resulted in at least 2,300 deaths, with Milan and Paris among hardest-hit cities.

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### Taiwan Begins 10-Day Drill to Counter Chinese Threats

Taiwan on Wednesday launched annual military exercises intended to guard against Chinese threats to invade, including using so-called "gray zone tactics" deployed by China that stop just short of open warfare.

This year's 10-day live-fire Han Guang drills are the longest yet and follow the delivery of a range of new weaponry from tanks to unmanned waterborne drones. The drills in Taiwan come as regional tensions and harassment by China and its People's Liberation Army (PLA) are increasing.

China claims Taiwan as its territory to be annexed by force if necessary, while the vast majority of Taiwanese wish to become

fully independent or retain their current status of de-facto independence.

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**July 7, 2025**

**A 6.3-magnitude earthquake was reported in New Zealand on Monday (July 7),** according to the [United States Geological Survey](#).

The earthquake was centered in Riverton at a depth of 22 kilometers (about 14 miles). The USGS said it received 16 reports of people having felt the earthquake at the time of publication.

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**June 23, 2025**

## **Iran launches attack on US targets in Qatar and Iraq**

**Iran launched at least ten missiles at US bases in Qatar and Iraq in retaliation to strike on its nuclear sites.**

Iran launched missiles at US bases in Qatar and Iraq on Monday, kicking off its response to American for the American strike on its nuclear sites over the weekend.

Iran reportedly launched 10 missiles at the American Al Udeid Air Base in Qatar and one missile at a base in Iraq.

A short time later, Qatar announced that it had intercepted all the missiles that were launched.

The Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps-linked *Tasnim News*

*Agency* announced the beginning of a "missile operation" against US bases in Qatar and Iraq, dubbing it "Good News of Victory."

The IRGC wrote in a statement that the message "of this decisive action is that the Islamic Republic will not leave any attack on its territorial integrity, sovereignty, or national security unanswered under any circumstances." Residents of Doha reported hearing loud explosions, while videos on social media show interceptor missiles attempting to intercept the threats over the Qatari capital.

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**June 22, 2025**

## **Pete Hegseth: 'Iran's nuclear ambitions have been obliterated'**

Joint Chiefs of Staff chairman Gen. Dan Caine and Defense Secretary Pete Hegseth hold a press conference at the Pentagon after the U.S. carried out strikes on three Iranian nuclear sites overnight.

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## **Netanyahu prays for Trump at the Western Wall: 'A nation has risen like a lion'**

Netanyahu offers thanksgiving at Western Wall, prays for President Trump after US strike on Iran's nuclear sites.

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## **UN Security Council to assemble following US strikes on Iran**

The discussion is being held at the initiative of several countries, including Russia and China, who are promoting a draft resolution condemning the US and Israel.

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**June 19, 2025**

## **Presidential Doomsday Plane's Arrival in D.C. Raises Concerns**

The arrival of the Air Force's "Doomsday Plane" at Joint Base Andrews in Maryland has elevated fears that the U.S. may be on the verge of a major confrontation in the Middle East. The E-4B "Nightwatch" is a militarized Boeing 747 capable of surviving a nuclear blast and would serve as central command for the president and key military leaders in the event of a nuclear confrontation. As of Wednesday evening, President Donald Trump said he has reviewed and approved a military option for the U.S. to engage directly with Iran but has thus far withheld from giving a formal go-ahead.

While the four E-4Bs are in a regular flight rotation to maintain operational readiness, Wednesday's flight issued a callsign of ORDER01, instead of the typical ORDER6, according to data from the flight tracking site FlightRadar.

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**June 16, 2025**

## **Fatal 6.1-Magnitude Earthquake Hits Peru**

### **Deadly Shake Strikes Lima Without Warning** ©wikimedia

A 6.1-magnitude earthquake struck Peru just before noon on Sunday, with its epicenter located 30 kilometers from Callao, near the capital Lima. A 36-year-old man died in northern Lima while standing outside his vehicle waiting for a passenger when a wall from the fourth floor of a building under construction detached and fell on his head.

The five people injured are being treated in hospitals, the Emergency Operations Center said. The earthquake struck Peru Sunday, killing one person and triggering landslides, officials said.

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**June 14, 2025**

## **China's UN Envoy Condemns Israeli Strikes on Iran**

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## **Putin Holds Separate Talks With Israel, Iran**

Russian President Vladimir Putin held separate talks with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and Iranian President Masoud Pezeshkian following Israel's attack against Iran, [Newsweek](#) reported Friday.

When speaking to Netanyahu, per the Kremlin, Putin "emphasized the importance of resuming the negotiations and resolving any issues pertaining to Iran's nuclear program exclusively via political and diplomatic means. In addition, the Russian leader expressed willingness to provide mediation so as to prevent further escalation."

In his call with Pezeshkian, Putin "stressed that Russia condemned Israel's actions, which had been carried out in violation of the UN Charter and international law. The Russian side has been fully supporting the efforts to resolve the situation around Iran's nuclear program peacefully and has proposed concrete initiatives aimed at reaching mutually acceptable agreements."

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**June 13, 2025**

## **Israel launches preemptive strike on Iran, DM declares special state of emergency**

**Channels in Iran associated with the Revolutionary Guards report explosions in Tehran. Defense Minister Israel Katz immediately declares a special state of emergency throughout the entire territory of the State of Israel. Israeli airspace shut down.**

The IDF Spokesperson's Unit officially announced on Friday morning that "following the directive of the political echelon, the IDF launched a preemptive, precise, combined offensive based on high-quality intelligence to strike Iran's nuclear program, and in response to the Iranian regime's ongoing aggression against Israel."

"A short while ago, dozens of IAF jets completed the first stage that included strikes on dozens of military targets, including nuclear targets in different areas of Iran."

"The public is requested to follow the instructions of the IDF Home Front Command, which will be updated as necessary, and act calmly and responsibly. The IDF and the relevant authorities are prepared for a wide range of scenarios in defense and offense that may be needed," said the IDF.

"For years, the Iranian regime has been waging a direct and indirect campaign of terror against the State of Israel, by funding and directing terrorist activities via its proxies across the Middle East, while advancing toward obtaining a nuclear weapon. The Iranian regime is at the head of the axis responsible for all terrorist attacks against the State of Israel since the beginning of the 'Swords of Iron' War, including by arming and funding the Hamas terror organization which was responsible for the October 7th Massacre. During the "Swords of Iron" War, Iran even directly attacked Israel twice, firing hundreds of missiles toward the State of Israel."

"The Iranian regime has proclaimed that its objective is to destroy the State of Israel. Senior officials in the Iranian regime have publicly declared their intent to destroy Israel, and are operating to achieve this together with their proxies in the Middle East. Today, Iran is closer than ever to obtaining a nuclear weapon. Weapons of mass destruction in the hands of the Iranian regime are an existential threat to the State of Israel and a significant threat to the wider world. The State of Israel will not allow a regime whose objective is to destroy the State of Israel to obtain weapons of mass destruction."

The statement noted, "The IDF has conducted a process of preparations for a campaign on the frontline and on the home front. The resilience of Israel's citizens will be an important factor of the campaign."

"The IDF is ready to continue to act as required. The State of Israel has the obligation to act in defense of its citizens and will continue to do so everywhere it is required to do so, as we have done in the past."

"The IDF is conducting an ongoing situational assessment and will update on any developments," the statement concluded.

Earlier, channels in Iran associated with the Revolutionary Guards reported explosions in Tehran, as Israel launched its preemptive strike in Iran.

*Iran International* reported that homes of senior political and defense officials in Iran were attacked.

An Israeli defense official stated, "The likelihood is increasing that the Iranian General Staff, including the Iranian Chief of Staff, and senior nuclear scientists were eliminated in the opening strike."

Israel's Security Cabinet gathered for an emergency meeting. Meanwhile, *CNN* reported that US President Donald Trump will convene his own Cabinet for a meeting.

At the same time, sirens were sounded throughout Israel.

Defense Minister Israel Katz said, "Following a preemptive strike by the State of Israel against Iran, a missile and drone attack is expected against the State of Israel and its civilian population in the immediate timeframe."

"Therefore, in accordance with his authority under the Civil Defense Law, Defense Minister Israel Katz has signed a special order, pursuant to which a special state of emergency will be imposed throughout the entire territory of the State of Israel."

The public is urged to follow the instructions of the Home Front Command and the authorities and to remain in protected spaces.

The IDF Spokesperson's Unit stated, "Following the situational assessment, it was determined that as of today (Friday), at 03:00, immediate changes will be made to the Home Front Command Guidelines."

"As part of the changes, it was decided to shift all areas of the country from Full Activity to Essential Activity."

The guidelines include: a prohibition on educational activities, gatherings, and workplaces, except for essential sectors.

"We are in a strategic window of opportunity. We have reached a point of no return; there is no choice but to act now," sources in the IDF stated.

The IDF is preparing for an operation lasting at least several days, including expectations of heavy barrages from the Iranians.

The IDF further emphasizes that the operation's goal is "to eliminate threats to the entire State of Israel, targeting the Iranian regime's nuclear program and its long-range missile firing capabilities. The timing was chosen after recent indications that Iran is racing toward a nuclear bomb. The project is at a stage where, if we do not act now, we will know less with each passing day."

Additionally, the IDF notes that Iran possesses thousands of ballistic missiles, which in themselves constitute an existential threat. "The IDF has identified attempts to arm proxies in the Middle East against the State of Israel, which in recent years have begun formulating a concrete plan to

destroy the State of Israel. Soon, the IDF will launch a campaign asking the public not to share locations of strikes or to document them, and we will work to provide at least a ten-minute warning before missile launches or any other type of event."

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**June 2, 2025**

## **Arab ministers gather to attack Israel**

### **Ministers from Saudi Arabia, Jordan, and Egypt accuse Israel of extremism and demand unilateral steps while sidestepping Hamas terror.**

Arab foreign ministers made a series of critical statements targeting Israel during a press conference on Sunday, held by the ministerial committee formed following the Arab-Islamic Summit on Gaza. The officials reiterated calls for the establishment of a Palestinian state and addressed developments in the region.

Saudi Foreign Minister Prince Faisal bin Farhan condemned Israel for [preventing the Arab ministerial delegation from visiting Ramallah](#), stating: "Preventing the Arab ministerial delegation from visiting Ramallah is a manifestation of the Israeli government's extremism." He added, "These actions will only increase our determination to intensify diplomatic efforts in the international community to confront Israel's arrogance." He also said, "Military solutions will not bring security to any party. A political solution is imperative. We will not accept any resolution short of establishing a Palestinian state."

Jordanian Foreign Minister Ayman Safadi stated, "The extremist Israeli government continues to violate international law." He emphasized, "There is no lasting peace or stability without fulfilling Palestinian rights," and added, "Israel is undermining all prospects for peace and making Gaza uninhabitable in an attempt to displace its people, which we reject."



Egyptian Foreign Minister Badr Abdel Atty said, "Israel's decision to prevent the visit of the Arab ministerial delegation to Ramallah reflects arrogance and haughtiness." He urged, "The international community must act to confront the humanitarian catastrophe in Gaza," and referenced plans for a Cairo conference focused on early recovery and reconstruction.

Bahraini Foreign Minister Abdullatif bin Rashid Al Zayani called for "an end to the war in Gaza, the release of all hostages, and accelerated humanitarian access," and voiced support for "an international peace conference in New York and full UN membership for Palestine."

Arab League Secretary-General Ahmed Aboul Gheit stated, "The committee's meeting with President Abbas revealed new positive points," and added that the talks served as preparation for the international peace conference in New York.

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## **Mount Etna In Italy Erupted On Monday**

Mount Etna, the highest active volcano in Europe, erupted on Monday morning, causing a chaotic scene at the popular Italian tourist attraction.

According to [CNN](#), Italian authorities said the explosion caused plumes of gases, ash and rock to shoot "several kilometers high" into the air. The National Institute of Geophysics and Volcanology Observatory said Etna has not seen an eruption of this magnitude since 2014.

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**May 26, 2025**

## **An Irish saint's eerie prophecy that Pope Francis will be the last Pontiff**

Irish Saint Malachy, the 12th-century bishop of Armagh, prophesied that there would be only one more pope after Benedict.

Saint Malachy's final prediction in full is: "In the final persecution of the Holy Roman Church there will reign Peter the Roman, who will feed his flock amid many tribulations, after which the seven-hilled city will be destroyed and the dreadful Judge will judge the people. The End."

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# **Pope Leo XIV Declares 'I Am Roman!' as He Completes Formalities to Become Bishop of Rome**

Pope Leo XIV declared himself a Roman on Sunday as he completed the final ceremonial steps cementing his role as the bishop of Rome.

The first American pope formally took possession of the St. John Lateran Basilica, which is Rome's cathedral and seat of the diocese, with an evening Mass attended by Roman priests and faithful.

In his homily, Leo said he wanted to listen to them "in order to learn, understand and decide things together."

One of the many titles that Leo assumed when he was elected May 8 was bishop of Rome. Given his responsibilities running the 1.4-billion strong universal Catholic Church, popes delegate the day-to-day governance of running of the diocese of Roman to a vicar. Sunday's ceremonies at the St. John Lateran and a stop at St. Mary Major basilicas follow Leo's visit last week to the St. Paul Outside the Walls basilica. Together with St. Peter's Basilica in the Vatican, the four papal basilicas are the most important basilicas in the West.

Rome's Mayor Roberto Gualtieri welcomed Leo first at the steps to City Hall, noting that his May 8 election fell during a Holy Year, an event occurring every 25 years to invite pilgrims to Rome. The city underwent two years of traffic-clogging public works projects

to prepare and expects to welcome upwards of 30 million people in 2025.

Leo said he felt the "serious but passionate responsibility" to serve all Romans during the Holy Year and beyond.

Wearing his formal papal garb, Leo recalled the words he had uttered from the loggia of St. Peter's Basilica on the night of his election. The Augustinian pope quoted St. Augustine in saying: "With you I am Christian, and for you, bishop."

"By special title, today I can say that for you and with you I am Roman!" he said.

The former Robert Prevost replaced Pope Francis, the first Latin American pope. Francis died April 21 and is buried at St. Mary Major, near a beloved icon of the Madonna.

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**May 24, 2025**

## **'Limited progress' reported following fifth round of US-Iran nuclear talks**

**US and Iranian negotiators wrap up a fifth round of nuclear talks in Rome, with mediator Oman reporting "some but not conclusive progress."**

[A fifth round](#) of high-stakes negotiations between Iranian and US delegations concluded in Oman on Friday, with the mediating nation reporting "some but not conclusive progress" in efforts to resolve a decades-long dispute surrounding Tehran's nuclear ambitions, *Reuters* reported.

Despite public tough stances from both Washington and Tehran ahead of the talks, Iranian Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi indicated potential for advancement following proposals put forth by Oman during the discussions in Rome.

"We have just completed one of the most professional rounds of talks," Araghchi told state TV. "We firmly stated Iran's position... The fact that we are now on a reasonable path, in my view, is itself a sign of progress."

He added that proposals and solutions would be reviewed by both capitals, with the next round of talks to be scheduled accordingly.

A senior US official told reporters in a statement that the fifth round of nuclear talks with Iran was "constructive."

"We made further progress, but there is still work to be done," the official stated, adding that both sides agreed to meet again "in the near future."

Omani Foreign Minister Badr Albusaidi confirmed on X that the talks between Araghchi and US President Donald Trump's Middle East envoy Steve Witkoff had concluded with limited progress.

Iran has repeatedly insisted that its right to uranium enrichment is "non-negotiable," a stance directly at odds with Witkoff, [who has labeled it](#) a "red line".

[Araghchi reiterated](#) this stance ahead of the talks, writing in a post on X on Thursday, "Figuring out the path to a deal is not rocket science: Zero nuclear weapons = we DO have a deal. Zero enrichment = we do NOT have a deal. Time to decide..."

The Islamic Republic currently enriches uranium to 60 percent, significantly above the 3.67-percent limit stipulated in the 2015 agreement.

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## **Aussies shaken awake as 'rare' magnitude 5.2 earthquake strikes**

Story by Matt Jones For Daily Mail Australi

Aussies in north-central [New South Wales](#) have been shaken awake by a series of early-morning earthquakes with reports of tremors as far away as [Queensland](#).

A magnitude 5.2 [earthquake](#) struck the Orana region of NSW at 2.36am on Saturday followed by a magnitude 4.1 aftershock just minutes later. Geoscience Australia reported the initial tremor [hit at a shallow depth of 10km and was felt by residents across a wide area, including Nyngan, Carinda, Dubbo, Narromine, Coolah, and Collarenebri.](#)

A third 3.6 magnitude earthquake was recorded at 5.43am. More than 135 people [reporting tremors to Geoscience Australia by 4am.](#) Orana covers approximately 25 per cent of NSW and encompasses 12 local government areas.

A resident in Forbes, 375km west of Sydney, said they felt their house shake. 'Felt my floor vibrate last night twice about 10 minutes apart. Thought there was something under my house,' they said.

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**May 22, 2025**

## **Mediterranean tremors rock Israel again**

**In second time in just over a week, powerful earthquake originating near Crete is felt across Israel, sending tremors through the region but causing no reported injuries or damage.**

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**May 21, 2025**

## **China 'Seriously Concerned' Over Golden Dome Defense System**

China is "seriously concerned" about the U.S. Golden Dome missile defense shield project and urged Washington to abandon its development a foreign ministry spokesperson said on Wednesday.

President Donald Trump said on Tuesday he had selected a design for the \$175-billion project and named a Space Force general to head the ambitious program aimed at blocking threats from China and Russia.

Chinese foreign ministry spokesperson Mao Ning, when asked about the project at a regular press conference, said it carries "strong offensive implications" and heightens the risks of the militarisation of outer space and an arms race.

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**May 17, 2025**

## **Trump warns Iran: Move fast or something bad will happen**

**Concluding Mideast tour, US President Donald Trump urges Iran to agree to nuclear deal 'or something bad will happen.'**

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**May 14, 2025**

## **Wargame Suggests Taiwan Blockade Could Trigger War**

Li-Meng Yan, the virologist who exposed the link between COVID-19 and the Wuhan Laboratory, said that China's leader, Xi Jinping, would likely order a blockade of Taiwan to force its submission, as seen in a wargame simulation.

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# Earthquake of magnitude 6.3 strikes Crete in Greece, GFZ says

Story by India Today World Desk

An earthquake of magnitude 6.3 struck the island of Crete in Greece on Wednesday, the German Research Centre for Geosciences (GFZ) said. The quake was at a depth of 83 km (51.57 miles), GFZ said. So far, there are no reports of major damage or casualties following the earthquake. Local authorities and emergency teams are closely monitoring the situation and urging residents to remain cautious.

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# Underwater volcano off Oregon coast is getting ready to erupt

Story by Sierra Campbell

([NewsNation](#)) — [An underwater volcano](#) that is nearly 300 miles off Oregon's coast is set to erupt very soon.

For decades, scientists have been monitoring the massive underwater volcano, and recent activity shows that it might be ready to erupt.

[Philippine volcano briefly erupts, belching ash plume into the sky](#)

The volcano is known as Axial Seamount, and [scientists believe it could erupt](#) at any moment between now and the end of 2025.

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**May 7, 2025**

# India Fires Missiles on Pakistan in What Islamabad Calls 'Act of War'

India fired missiles at Pakistan early Wednesday, in what it said was retaliation for last month's massacre of Indian tourists.

Pakistan called the strikes an act of war and said more than two dozen people, including children, were killed.

The strikes targeted at least nine sites “where terrorist attacks against India have been planned,” India’s Defense Ministry said. Pakistan's military said the missiles hit six locations in Pakistan-administered Kashmir and in the country’s eastern Punjab province.

Pakistan claimed it shot down several Indian fighter jets. Three planes fell onto villages in India-controlled territory, and there was a heavy exchange of fire between the sides. At least seven civilians were also killed in the region by Pakistani shelling, Indian police and medics said.

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**May 6, 2025**

## **China, in Response to CIA Videos, Warns of Measures Against 'Infiltration, Sabota**

China warned on Tuesday it would take necessary measures to crack down on "infiltration and sabotage activities of foreign anti-China forces," days after the CIA released videos aimed at enticing Chinese officials to leak secrets to the U.S.

The U.S. intelligence agency last week posted two short Chinese-language videos to its social media accounts depicting fictional scenes in which a senior Chinese official and a more junior government worker with access to classified information become disillusioned with China's system and approach the CIA.

A Chinese foreign ministry spokesperson called the videos a "damning confession" of the CIA's efforts in "stealing" other countries' secrets.

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**May 4, 2025**

## **5.4-magnitude earthquake rattles rural southeastern New Mexico, West Texas**

Story by Faris Tanyos

A 5.4-magnitude earthquake shook a rural area of West Texas and southeastern New Mexico Saturday night.

The U.S. Geological Survey [reports](#) that the earthquake occurred at 7:47 p.m. local time, with an epicenter in West Texas, about 35 miles south of Whites City, New Mexico. It was initially measured at a magnitude of 5.3 before being upgraded to 5.4.

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## **Putin: 'I hope we won't have to use nuclear weapons'**

**Russian president makes threat regarding Russia's nuclear arsenal, says Russia can bring his war in Ukraine to a "logical conclusion."**

[Tziki Brandwine](#)

Russian President Vladimir Putin gave an interview with Russian state television in which he said he "hopes" Russia won't have to use nuclear weapons in Ukraine and that Russia has the power and means to bring the war in Ukraine to a "logical conclusion."

"There has been no need to use those (nuclear) weapons ... and I hope they will not be required," Putin said. "We have enough strength and means to bring what was started in 2022 to a logical conclusion with the outcome Russia requires."

Russia continues to drag its feet and provides temporary ceasefires that Ukraine says have also been violated, in defiance of the demands of US President Donald Trump.

Russia recently announced that it will cease fire during the Victory Day celebrations over Nazi Germany later this month.

Ukrainian President Vladimir Zelensky responded to the latest Russian ceasefire claims, saying that a full 30-day ceasefire would be the most significant step towards ending the war that has been going on for more than three years.

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**May 2, 2025**

## **Tsunami warnings issued after 7.4 earthquake off coast of Chile and Argentina**

Officials have issued tsunami warnings after a 7.4 earthquake occurred off the coasts of Chile and Argentina.

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**May 1, 2025**

## **Captured Chinese Fighters in Ukraine Signal Deeper Beijing-Moscow Alliance**

Russian servicemen drive a T-72 B3M tank during a combat training amid Russia's military operation in Ukraine. Chinese nationals captured fighting for Russia in U

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## **Terrorist Attack Brings India, Pakistan to Brink of Nuclear War**

A Pakistani paramilitary soldier searches a vehicle as another stands guard at a checkpoint in Wagah, a joint border crossing point on the Pakistan and India border, near Lahore, Pakistan, on April 30. (K.M. Chaudary/AP)

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**April 27, 2025**

Will Sain Malachy prediction of the last Pope, Peter of Rome, happen after death of Pope?

## **Catholic Faithful Pay Respects to Pope Francis as His Tomb Opens to the Public in Rome Basilica**

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## **Iran declares three days of mourning following port explosion**

**Iran closes port affected by chemical blast which left hundreds injured and 18 dead, declares three days of mourning.**

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## **Early morning earthquake reported in Midlands**

Story by Tyler Scott

ELGIN, S.C. (FOX Carolina) - The United States Geological Survey (USGS) said an early morning earthquake hit the Midlands on Saturday.

According to the USGS, the quake had a magnitude of 2.6 and a depth of two kilometers. It hit around 5:33 a.m.

Officials said the earthquake was 4.1 miles east southeast of Elgin, 18 miles east northeast of Forest Acres and 20.9 miles east northeast of Columbia.

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**April 21, 2025**

## **Able to create bacteria and toxins | Serious report on North Korea's lethal weapons**

**New US State Department report reveals additional data on North Korea's biological weapons program, despite international law.**

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## **Turkish intelligence chief meets Hamas in defiant move against Israel**

**Turkey's intelligence chief holds with Hamas representatives amid rising anti-Israel rhetoric from Ankara.**

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## **Minister of Interior orders cancellation of French delegation's visas**

## **Ministry of the Interior cancels French delegation's visas, fearing provocative actions following Macron's intention to recognize a Palestinian state.**

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**April 17, 2025**

## **International Atomic Energy Agency Chief: 'Iran not far from possessing nuclear weapons'**

**Rafael Grossi told a French newspaper that while they still have a long way to go, the world has to recognize that Iran is 'not far' from obtaining nuclear weapons.**

Retrieved April 17, 2025, from [International Atomic Energy Agency Chief: 'Iran not far from possessing nuclear weapons' | Israel National News](#)

## **US expands sanctions on Iran's oil sector, targets Chinese teapot refinery**

**US imposes new sanctions on Iran's oil industry, including a China-based teapot refinery, to intensify pressure on Tehran. The move is part of the Trump administration's renewed "maximum pressure" strategy, aimed at halting Iran's oil revenues and nuclear ambitions.**

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**April 16, 2025**

## **Magnitude 5.6 earthquake hits Afghanistan**

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## **Preparation for possible Iran strike: US sending significant weapons shipments to Israel**

Heavy bombs and interceptors for THAAD batteries have arrived via an airlift of transport planes from US bases worldwide.

Retrieved April 16, 2025, from [Preparation for possible Iran strike: US sending significant weapons shipments to Israel | Israel National News](#)

**April 14, 2025**

## **5.2 magnitude earthquake near San Diego rattles Southern California**

A 5.2 magnitude earthquake that struck in San Diego County on Monday morning was felt across Southern California.

[According to the United States Geological Survey](#) (USGS), the quake was centered south of Julian, Calif., about 55 miles east of San Diego, at a depth of about 8.3 miles. Numerous smaller aftershocks followed.

Retrieved April 14, 2025, from [5.2 magnitude earthquake near San Diego rattles Southern California](#)

**April 6, 2025**

## **Iran threatens Middle Eastern countries over potential US strikes**

**Iranian official says regime has warned Iraq, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar, Turkey and Bahrain that there will be "severe consequences" if their airspace is used for an American attack on Iran's nuclear program.**

Retrieved April 6, 2025, from [Iran threatens Middle Eastern countries over potential US strikes | Israel National News](#)

**UK Foreign Secretary condemns Israel's deportation of two Labour MPs**  
**British Foreign Secretary David Lammy strongly criticizes Israel for detaining and deporting two Labour MPs who called for a boycott of Israel.**

Retrieved April 6, 2025, from [UK Foreign Secretary condemns Israel's deportation of two Labour MPs | Israel National News](#)

**March 30, 2025**

## **Trump Says He's 'Very Angry' With Putin, Threatens Tariffs**

President Donald Trump said Sunday he's "very angry" and "pissed off" at Vladimir Putin over the Russian president's remarks late last week suggesting the removal of Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy and the implementation of a "transitional administration" in Ukraine.

In a Sunday morning interview with [NBC News](#), Trump threatened a 25% tariff on Russian oil if a ceasefire deal can't be reached.

"If Russia and I are unable to make a deal on stopping the bloodshed in Ukraine, and if I think it was Russia's fault — which it might not be — but if I think it was Russia's fault, I am going to

put secondary tariffs on oil, on all oil coming out of Russia,”  
Trump told NBC News.

Retrieved March 30, 2025, from [Trump Says He's 'Very Angry' With Putin, Threatens Tariffs | Newsmax.com](#)

## **Iran officially rejects direct talks with US**

**Tehran responds to Trump's outreach with firm rejection, citing lack of trust and unfulfilled promises.**

Retrieved March 30, 2025, from [Iran officially rejects direct talks with US | Israel National News](#)

## **Trump threatens Iran: 'There will be bombing like they have never seen before'**

**The US President threatened severe consequences if Iran refuses a nuclear deal.**

Retrieved March 30, 2025, from [Trump threatens Iran: 'There will be bombing like they have never seen before' | Israel National News](#)

## **Tonga rocked by 7.1 magnitude earthquake as locals forced to evacuate**

Tsunami warnings were issued to Tonga after the Pacific island was struck by a 7.1 magnitude [earthquake](#) but were later lifted.

Evacuation orders are in place as residents [brace for the second prong of the storm](#).



People have been [instructed to move to higher ground or go further inland](#) due to hazardous waves, though officials believe the island no longer faces the threat of a tsunami. No initial damage has been reported.

Retrieved March 30, 2025, from [Tonga rocked by 7.1 magnitude earthquake as locals forced to evacuate](#)

**March 29, 2025**

# **Putin Suggests China, North Korea Join Ukraine Talks**

Russian President Vladimir Putin suggested on Friday that China and North Korea could join the ceasefire negotiations to end the conflict in Ukraine.

Putin was speaking in Murmansk, Russia, about the ongoing efforts to end the war and said other countries apart from the United States could contribute to the negotiations.

“This is not only the United States but also the People’s Republic of China, India, Brazil, South Africa, all BRICS countries,” Putin said.

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## **Iran sends response to Trump on nuclear talks via Oman**

**Iranian Foreign Minister says his country sent a response via Oman to Trump's letter calling for new nuclear deal: Our policy is still to not engage in**

**direct negotiations, but indirect negotiations can continue.**

Retrieved March 29, 2025, from [Iran sends response to Trump on nuclear talks via Oman | Israel National News](#)

## **Myanmar Earthquake: Thai defense minister warns of hundreds of casualties**

**Hundreds are suspected dead or injured in Southeast Asia as authorities begin to clarify the full extent of the damage from the magnitude 7.7 earthquake felt earlier today.**

Retrieved March 29, 2025, from [Myanmar Earthquake: Thai defense minister warns of hundreds of casualties | Israel National News](#)

**March 21, 2025**

## **Iran: We're carefully assessing Trump's letter**

**Iranian Foreign Minister Abbas Araqchi says his country is assessing letter from Trump which urged Tehran to engage in negotiations for a new nuclear agreement: There is an opportunity behind every menace.**

Retrieved March 21, 2025, from [Iran: We're carefully assessing Trump's letter | Israel National News](#)

# Russian Drones Hammer Ukraine's Odesa as Czech Leader Visits

Russia pounded Ukraine's Black Sea city of Odesa late on Thursday with one of its biggest drone attacks, injuring three teenagers and sparking fires as the Czech president visited, Ukrainian officials said.

The attack comes as the United States is pushing for a peace deal between Ukraine and Russia, and hoping to agree a partial ceasefire that would halt strikes on energy infrastructure by both sides.

Czech President Petr Pavel, a vocal backer of Kyiv who has led an effort to source more than one million artillery shells for Ukraine's war effort, was in the port city for talks with regional officials at the time of the strikes.

Retrieved March 21, 2025, from [Russian Drones Hammer Ukraine's Odesa as Czech Leader Visits | Newsmax.com](#)

**March 19, 2025**

## **Report: Trump gave Iran 2-month ultimatum for new nuclear deal**

US President's recent letter to Iran's supreme leader reportedly included an ultimatum setting a deadline for it to reach a new nuclear deal.

Retrieved March 19, 2025, from [Report: Trump gave Iran 2-month ultimatum for new nuclear deal | Israel National News](#)

**March 17, 2025**

## **Trump: 'Iran will be held responsible for every shot fired by Houthis**

US President says Iran arms terrorists, including the Houthis, and will therefore suffer the consequences of attacks carried out by their proxies.

Retrieved March 17, 2025, from [Trump: 'Iran will be held responsible for every shot fired by Houthis | Israel National News](#)

## **Trump, Putin to Talk About Ukraine War, 'Dividing Up Certain Assets'**

President Donald Trump will speak with Russian President Vladimir Putin on Tuesday in a possible pivot point in efforts to end the war in Ukraine and an opportunity for Trump to continue reorienting American foreign policy.

Trump disclosed the upcoming conversation to reporters while flying from Florida to Washington on Air Force One on Sunday evening, while the Kremlin confirmed Putin's participation on Monday morning.

"We will see if we have something to announce maybe by Tuesday. I will be speaking to President Putin on Tuesday," Trump said. "A lot of work's been done over the weekend. We want to see if we can bring that war to an end."

Retrieved March 17, 2025, from [Trump, Putin to Talk About Ukraine War, 'Dividing Up Certain Assets' | Newsmax.com](#)

## **China Says Military Exercise Near Taiwan Punishes 'Separatism'**

Chinese military exercises near Taiwan on Monday were punishment for Taiwanese President Lai Ching-te's continued promotion of "separatism," according to a stern statement out of Beijing, as Taiwan hit back by calling China a troublemaker. China, which has never renounced the use of force to bring democratically governed Taiwan under its control, has stepped up military and political pressure against the island in recent years. Taiwan's Defense Ministry said China carried out "joint combat readiness patrols" — one in the morning and one in the afternoon — sending 54 Chinese warplanes, including J-10 jets and drones, to areas near Taiwan.

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## **3.9 magnitude earthquake recorded in Malibu, California: USGS**

Retrieved March 17, 2025, from [3.9 magnitude earthquake recorded in Malibu, California: USGS](#)

**March 9, 2025**

## **Is Russia planning to attack another European country?**

**Head of Germany's intelligence service says Putin may 'examine NATO's Article 5', which states attacking a NATO member constitutes an attack against all members.**

**[Tziki Brandwine](#)**

Bruno Kahl, President of Germany's Federal Intelligence Service (Bundesnachrichtendienst), issued a warning that Russian President Vladimir Putin may try to test the unity of the NATO alliance by challenging Article 5 of the treaty.

According to this article, any attack on one NATO member state constitutes an attack on all members, and the other countries must help in defense.

In an interview with *Deutsche Welle*, Kahl said, "We very much hope that this will not happen, and that we will not have to stand this test. However, we must assume that Russia wants to test us and put the unity of the West to the test."

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When asked when he considers such a 'challenge' realistic, Kahl replied that it depends on the development of the war in Ukraine, stating that if the war ends before 2029-2030, Russia will use its technical resources and manpower to pose a threat to Europe as quickly as possible.

According to Kahl, Russia will use the period after the war in Ukraine to rebuild its forces to prepare for another attack.

He also claimed that Russia was trying to restore the world order that existed in the past, when it had greater influence on Europe.

These comments come amid pressure from the US on Ukraine to end the war, as well as reports that Trump is considering moving 35,000 US troops from Germany to Hungary.

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## Oops, Scientists May Have Miscalculated Our Global Warming Timeline

Story by Darren Orf

- The Paris Climate Accords in 2015 set an ambitious (and necessary) goal of keeping global temperatures at 1.5 degrees Celsius above pre-industrial temps. But a study says we might've blown past that threshold several years ago.
- Scientists at the University Western Australia Oceans Institute studied long-lived Caribbean sclerosponges and created an ocean temperature timeline dating back to the 1700s.
- While the study claims that we surpassed 1.5 degrees Celsius in 2020, other scientists question if data from just one part of the world is enough to capture the immense thermal complexity of our oceans.

Whatever your stance is on [climate change](#) (it's real, let's move on), it's impossible to have missed the near-ubiquitous call to action to "keep temperatures from exceeding 1.5 degrees Celsius compared to pre-industrial levels." Over the past few years, the somewhat bureaucratic phrase has become a rallying cry for the climate conscious.

Retrieved March 9, 2025, from [Oops, Scientists May Have Miscalculated Our Global Warming Timeline](#)

**March 6, 2025**

## **IDF Chief of Staff: 'We must defeat Hamas, we are preparing to return to battle'**

IDF Chief of Staff Eyal Zamir met with local leaders in the Gaza envelope and pledged: 'The hostages are our top priority.'

Retrieved March 6, 2025, from [IDF Chief of Staff: 'We must defeat Hamas, we are preparing to return to battle' | Israel National News](#)

## **Report: Trump Admin. holding secret direct talks with Hamas over hostages**

US hostage envoy Adam Bohler reportedly engaged in the first direct talks between the US and Hamas in decades over the remaining American hostages and chances for a deal to end the war.

Retrieved March 6, 2025, from [Report: Trump Admin. holding secret direct talks with Hamas over hostages | Israel National News](#)

## **Hint to Iran? IAF, US Air Force, hold joint aerial exercise**

Israeli F-35i, F-15i aircraft, fly alongside US B-52 strategic bomber in joint Air Force exercise. Watch.

Retrieved March 6, 2025, from [Hint to Iran? IAF, US Air Force, hold joint aerial exercise | Israel National News](#)

**March 5, 2025**

# **China: We're Ready for 'Any Type of War'**

Following the start of President Donald Trump's additional tariffs on Chinese imports, Beijing warned that it's ready for any "type of war" with the U.S.

Foreign Ministry spokesperson Lin Jian took that stance [during a press conference](#) late Tuesday after being asked his reaction to the tariffs, which are now 20% on Chinese goods.

"If war is what the U.S. wants, be it a tariff war, a trade war, or any other type of war, we're ready to fight till the end," Lin said.

"We urge the U.S. to stop being domineering and return to the right track of dialogue and cooperation at an early date."

Retrieved March 5, 2025, from [China: We're Ready for 'Any Type of War' | Newsmax.com](#)

**March 4, 2025**

## **Report: Russia and Iran expand military cooperation**

**A new investigation highlights the growing military collaboration between Russia and Iran since the onset of the Ukraine War.**

The Russian investigative site *Insider Russia*, associated with the opposition, published findings indicating that since the Russian invasion of Ukraine, relations between the two countries have significantly expanded. According to the investigation, Russia previously refrained from deepening its ties with Iran due to fears of damaging its relations with Israel. However, the war in Ukraine has led to a change in approach—Russia has begun to rely on Iran as a source for advanced weaponry.

Retrieved March 4, 2025, from [Report: Russia and Iran expand military cooperation | Israel National News](#)

**March 3, 2025**

## **Los Angeles Oscars afterparties rocked by 3.9-magnitude earthquake as red carpet backdrop shakes**

Story by Benedict Tetzlaff



Los Angeles has been hit by a 3.9-magnitude earthquake - leaving the [red carpet](#) backdrop at the [Oscars afterparties](#) shaking.

Camera crews reporting live from A-list [parties hosted by Vanity Fair, Elton John and others](#) were seen holding onto their equipment as projected signs and backdrops trembled. The earthquake, measuring 3.9 on the Richter scale, struck about 10 miles northwest of L.A. at approximately 10.13pm local time on Sunday (6.13am GMT).

Retrieved March 3, 2025, from [Los Angeles Oscars afterparties rocked by 3.9-magnitude earthquake as red carpet backdrop shakes](#)

## **Magnitude 4.5 earthquake strikes in Washington state**

Retrieved March 3, 2025, from [Magnitude 4.5 earthquake strikes in Washington state](#)

**March 1, 2025**

## **Qatar files international court complaint against Israel**

**Qatar has requested that the court order Israel to allow the UNRWA to continue operations in areas it deems 'Palestinian territory.'**

Retrieved March 1, 2025, from [Qatar files international court complaint against Israel | Israel National News](#)

## **Pentagon Orders Deployment of Stryker Combat Team to Border**

The Pentagon [has ordered](#) the deployment of up to 3,000 active-duty troops to the U.S.-Mexico border, along with soldiers from a motorized brigade equipped with 20-ton armored Stryker combat vehicles.

“As directed by President Trump, Secretary of Defense Pete Hegseth has ordered the deployment of a Stryker Brigade Combat Team (SBCT) and General Support Aviation Battalion to reinforce and expand current border security operations to seal the border and protect the territorial integrity of the United States, a priority for the President,” a senior defense official said in a press release.

“These forces will arrive in the coming weeks and their deployment underscores the Department's unwavering dedication to working alongside the Department of Homeland Security to secure our southern border and maintain the sovereignty, territorial integrity, and security of the United States under President Trump's leadership.”

Retrieved March 1, 2025, from [Pentagon Orders Deployment of Stryker Combat Team to Border | Newsmax.com](#)

## Earthquake recorded near Midland, Texas at magnitude 4.8, USGS says

An earthquake shook parts of West Texas Friday afternoon with a preliminary magnitude of 4.8, according to the United States Geological Survey.

The earthquake was recorded about 16 miles southwest of Ackerly, which is roughly 60 miles northwest of Midland and 320 miles west of Dallas.

The USGS says the quake happened at a depth of about 4.2 miles, with no injuries or damages reported so far.

Earthquakes have been shaking the Texas-New Mexico border in recent weeks. According to the El Paso Times, part of the USA TODAY Network, several earthquakes ranging between magnitudes of 2.5 and 4.6 have been observed.

Several areas of New Mexico, including Carlsbad, Alamogordo, and Roswell, and parts of West Texas, including El Paso, reported feeling the quakes, the USGS said.

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## M 2.8 - 18 km W of Isla Vista, CA

- 2025-03-01 19:12:54 (UTC)
- 34.436°N 120.057°W
- 4.0 km depth

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**February 27, 2025**

# America rattled by multiple earthquakes in quick succession

Story by Ellyn Lapointe For Dailymail.Com

The US has been rattled by two earthquakes, one striking the coast of [Oregon](#) and another hitting western [Texas](#).

The magnitude 3.4 Texas quake struck roughly 20 miles west-southwest of the town of Ackerly around 12:30am Thursday morning.

One person in Springfield, [Missouri](#) — nearly 600 miles from the quake's epicenter — reported feeling weak shaking, according to the US Geological Survey (USGS).

The Oregon quake was a magnitude 3.0 that struck just before 7:15am ET this morning, about four miles east of Pistol River. So far, no one has reported feeling shaking from this quake.

No damages or injuries related to either [earthquake](#) have been reported.

This is a developing story. More updates to come.

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**February 26, 2025**

## Magnitude 5.3 earthquake triggers shaking felt as far as Washington

Story by Ellyn Lapointe For Dailymail.Com

magnitude 5.3 earthquake struck off [the Pacific Coast](#) Tuesday, generating shaking felt as far as Washington state — 375 miles from the epicenter.

The tremblor hit at a depth of roughly six miles, striking 130 miles west of Port McNeill in northwest Vancouver Island around 12:37am ET.

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**February 25, 2025**

## Iran on high alert in fear of Israeli-US joint attack

## **The IRGC is strengthening air defense and preparedness, particularly around nuclear sites.**

According to a report in *The Telegraph*, Iran has placed its missile defense systems on high alert amid growing fears of a potential attack by the United States and Israel. Escalating tensions in the region, fueled by Iran's nuclear program and its support for proxy groups, have created a volatile environment where miscalculation could lead to open conflict.

The Trump administration has repeatedly pledged 'maximum pressure' on Iran, and Republican lawmakers have stated their support for direct US military action against the Iranian nuclear program. Many have vocally supported backing an Israeli strike on the Iranian nuclear program if President Trump refused to order an American attack.

Retrieved February 25, 2025, from [Iran on high alert in fear of Israeli-US joint attack | Israel National News](#)

## **Magnitude 5.9 earthquake shakes Puerto Rico, Dominican Republic**

According to the United States Geological Service, this was part of a swarm of at least 10 earthquakes in that area of the Caribbean Sea that began Monday morning. No immediate damage has been reported.

Retrieved February 25, 2025, from [Magnitude 5.9 earthquake felt in Dominican Republic and Puerto Rico | Fox Weather](#)

**February 20, 2025**

# Russia Mocks US With Massive Drone Strike on Ukraine

Retrieved February 20, 2025, from [Russia Mocks US With Massive Drone Strike on Ukraine | Newsmax.com](#)

**February 19, 2025**

## Russia Plans High-Level Contacts With Syria

Russia is planning to hold high-level contacts with Syria in the near future, Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov said on Wednesday. President Vladimir Putin spoke by phone with Syria's interim leader Ahmed al-Sharaa on Feb. 12, the first direct communication between the two since Sharaa's forces overthrew Moscow's ally Bashar al-Assad in December.

Russia is hoping to retain the use of two military bases in Syria.

Retrieved February 19, 2025, from [Russia Plans High-Level Contacts With Syria | Newsmax.com](#)

**February 15, 2025**

**Report: Israel planning strike on Iran's nuclear program, seeks regime change**  
**CNN reports that US intelligence warned both Biden and Trump Administrations that Israel will**

## **likely seek to strike Iran's nuclear program this year.**

US intelligence officials believe Israel is planning to strike Iran's nuclear program this year, *CNN* reported.

According to the report, intelligence agencies warned both the Biden and Trump Administrations of the Israeli attack plans.

Israel's ultimate goal vis a-vis Iran is regime change in Tehran, according to the report.

US President Donald Trump recently stated in an interview with the New York Post that he would prefer a new nuclear deal to prevent Iran from building nuclear weapons to military action against Iran's nuclear program, though he did not rule out a military strike.

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## **Magnitude 5 earthquake hits southeast New Mexico**

- February 15, 2025

A strong earthquake reportedly centered in rural, far-west Texas shook portions of southeast New Mexico Friday night.

The magnitude 5 tremor was reported at about 10:30 p.m. by the U.S. Geological Survey about 32 miles northwest of Toyah, Texas, a small-town west of U.S. Highway 285 and about 80 miles south of Carlsbad.

Reports were made to the Geological Survey of light to moderate shaking felt throughout the area, as far east as San Angelo, Texas and as far west as Las Cruces.

Retrieved February 15, 2025, from [Magnitude 5 earthquake hits southeast New Mexico - Carlsbad Current-Argus](#)

## **Map: 3.5-Magnitude Earthquake Strikes Southern California**

By [William B. Davis](#), [Madison Dong](#), [Judson Jones](#), [John Keefe](#) and [Bea Malsky](#)

Updated Feb. 15, 2025 at 2:13 p.m. E.T.

Retrieved February 15, 2025, from [Map: 3.5-Magnitude Earthquake Strikes Southern California - The New York Times](#)

**February 13, 2025**

## **Disturbing footage: Egypt increasing military readiness on Gaza border**

**Egyptian Defense Minister instructs soldiers in Sinai Peninsula to 'maintain high level of alert in order to ensure military's ability to fulfill its various tasks.'**

Egyptian Defense Minister Abdel Mageed Saqr on Tuesday called for forces from the Egyptian Third Field Army to maintain a high level of operational readiness in order to ensure the military would be able to fulfill its tasks under any conditions.

The Third Field Army is headquartered in Suez and charged with guarding the Sinai Peninsula and the Gaza-Egypt border.

Saqr's statements were made during a central part of the Third Field Army's military command exercise, an Egyptian military spokesman said.

Retrieved February 13, 2025, from [Disturbing footage: Egypt increasing military readiness on Gaza border | Israel National News](#)

## **California Shaken By Several Recent Earthquakes**

Story by Sean Breslin

Both Northern and Southern California have been shaking this week as multiple light earthquakes have struck the state.

The latest tremor occurred Thursday afternoon and was centered 1.5 miles east of Hayward, which is in the San Francisco Bay Area. The U.S. Geological Survey gave [the quake](#) a preliminary rating of 3.4 magnitude.

That followed an earthquake shortly after midnight Tuesday morning just offshore the Northern California community of Petrolia. The USGS [gave the quake a preliminary rating of 4.1](#) and said it occurred roughly 12 miles below the surface. No damage or injuries were immediately reported in either.

Retrieved February 13, 2025, from [California Shaken By Several Recent Earthquakes](#)

## **February 12, 2025**

# **Hawaiian Volcano Kilauea Is Spewing Lava Again**

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## **February 9, 2025**

# **A 7.6 magnitude earthquake shakes Caribbean; some islands urge residents to leave coastlines**

A magnitude 7.6 earthquake shook the Caribbean Sea southwest of the Cayman Islands on Saturday, according to the U.S. Geological Survey, and some islands and countries urged people near the coast to move inland in case of a tsunami. The quake struck at 6:23 p.m. in the middle of the sea and had a depth of 6.2 miles, the USGS said. The epicenter was 130 miles south-southwest of George Town in the Cayman Islands.

The U.S. National Tsunami Warning Center issued, then canceled a tsunami advisory for Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. The sounding of alarms in Puerto Rico's northwest region spurred people to leave coastal areas and caused heavy traffic, according to local media.



Puerto Rico Gov. Jenniffer González Colón said in a statement she was in contact with emergency agencies after the tsunami advisory, but did not recommend anyone leave the coast.

Hazard Management Cayman Islands urged residents near the coast to move inland and to higher ground. It said wave heights of up to 3.3 feet were expected. The Dominican government also issued a tsunami alert and recommended residents on the coast move to higher, inland areas. It later canceled the alert. The Cuban government requested that people leave beachfront areas. The Bahamas Department of Meteorology also issued a tsunami advisory, but urged its residents to be "vigilant."

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**February 7, 2025**

## **Iran's Revolutionary Guard deploys first drone-carrying warship**

**Iran unveils its first drone-carrier warship, claims the vessel can operate far from its shores.**

Retrieved February 7, 2025, from [Iran's Revolutionary Guard deploys first drone-carrying warship | Israel National News](#)

## **Santorini in state of emergency after hundreds of earthquakes shake Greek island for days, sending residents fleeing**

Story by Katie Mather

A state of emergency was declared on Santorini Thursday after a [magnitude 5.2 earthquake](#) shook the Greek island late Wednesday. The tremor is the latest — and strongest — in a series of quakes that have struck the island since last week, prompting residents to evacuate and rescue teams to deploy.

The island is under a state of emergency until March 3 to "address the emergency needs and manage the consequences," [BBC News reported](#).

No major damage was immediately reported on the island.

Retrieved February 6, 2025 from [Santorini in state of emergency after hundreds of earthquakes shake Greek island for days, sending residents fleeing](#)

**February 6, 2025**

## **Ukraine: Russia Might Be Improving North Korea's Missiles**

North Korean ballistic missiles fired at Ukraine by Russian forces since late December have been far more precise than salvos of the weapons launched over the past year, two senior Ukrainian sources told Reuters.

At a time when Moscow's burgeoning ties with Pyongyang are causing alarm from Washington to Seoul, the increase in accuracy – to within 50-100m of the intended target – suggests North Korea is successfully using the battlefield to test its missile technology, the sources said.

A military source, who requested anonymity to discuss sensitive information, described a marked improvement in the precision in all the more than 20 North Korean ballistic missiles that hit Ukraine over the past several weeks. A second source, a senior government official familiar with the issue, confirmed the findings when asked by Reuters.

Read more: [Russia May Be Improving North Korean Missiles in Ukraine | Newsmax.com](#)

Retrieved February 6, 2025, from [Russia May Be Improving North Korean Missiles in Ukraine | Newsmax.com](#)

**February 4, 2025**

## **China hits back at tariffs, launches Google investigation**

**Beijing has retaliated against the wave of tariffs President Trump has imposed, including launching investigations against Google and heavily taxing American energy suppliers.**

Trump's tariffs on Chinese goods have prompted immediate retaliation from Beijing, raising concerns about global economic repercussions.

Under Trump's tariff plan, the US implemented 10% tariffs and eliminated an exemption for Chinese exports valued under \$800, affecting retailers like Shein and Temu that rely on this exemption.

China has launched an anti-trust investigation into Google and announced tariffs on US goods including coal, liquefied natural gas, crude oil, farm equipment, large vehicles, and pickup trucks. China also announced export controls on critical minerals like tungsten, tellurium, ruthenium, molybdenum, and ruthenium-related items, citing national security concerns.

According to *The Guardian*, US companies PVH Group (owner of Tommy Hilfiger and Calvin Klein) and Illumina Inc, specializing in genomic sequencing, were added to China's "unreliable entity list," potentially facing restrictions or penalties. The reasons for their inclusion were not specified.

China's finance ministry condemned the US tariffs as a violation of World Trade Organization rules, arguing they harm bilateral economic cooperation.

After a call with Mexico's president, Claudia Sheinbaum, Trump postponed tariffs after she offered to send 10,000 troops to the US-Mexico border. Discussions with Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau resulted in a similar postponement of tariffs. Canada is implementing a border security plan and will designate a "fentanyl czar."

As the US prepares even higher tariffs, the White House announced that Trump would speak with China's president, Xi Jinping, later this week.

China has pledged countermeasures and a WTO legal challenge.

Economists have warned that Trump's tariffs could increase prices for US consumers. In response, Trump has stated tariffs are a "very powerful" means of strengthening the US economy and achieving desired outcomes. "In all cases, they all wanna make deals." Trump acknowledged the tariffs might cause "a little pain" but maintained they were necessary to "make America great again."

Retrieved February 4, 2025, from [China hits back at tariffs, launches Google investigation | Israel National News - Arutz Sheva](#)

**February 3, 2025**

## **Watch: Egypt builds up forces on the Gaza border**

**Egypt has begun building up a large force on the Gaza border, including tanks and armored vehicles.**

[Israel National News](#) Feb 3, 2025, 5:37 PM (GMT+2)

Egypt has reportedly deployed hundreds of tanks along its border with the Gaza Strip, accompanied by footage showing logistical preparations and construction of barriers.

It was revealed during the war that there were tunnels in Rafah crossing from Gaza to Egyptian territories.

Israel has so far not commented on the current Egyptian military preparations on the border. However, previous reports indicated increased military activity by Egypt in the Sinai Peninsula.

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## **Iran unveils new ballistic missile with range of 1,700 kilometers**

**Iran unveils Etemad ballistic missile which is capable of reaching Israel.**

[Elad Benari](#) Feb 3, 2025, 5:14 AM (GMT+2)

Iran unveiled a new ballistic missile on Sunday, claiming it has a range of 1,700 kilometers, *AFP* reported.

The missile, named Etemad—meaning "trust" in Persian—was showcased at a ceremony in Tehran attended by President Masoud Pezeshkian, according to the report.

State television aired footage of the missile, describing it as "the most recent ballistic missile" produced by the Iranian defense ministry.

With its range, the newly revealed missile is capable of reaching Israel, which Iran targeted twice last year amid the broader regional impact of the Gaza conflict.

"The development of defense capabilities and space technologies... aims to ensure that no country dares to attack Iranian territory," Pezeshkian stated in a televised speech, as quoted by *AFP*.

The unveiling came just one day after Iran's Revolutionary Guards Navy [revealed a new underground missile facility](#) along the country's southern coast.

The facility, whose exact location was not disclosed, houses missile systems stored "hundreds of meters underground" and capable of being deployed swiftly, claimed Iranian media

Iran's recent military-related unveilings coincide with [large-scale military exercises](#) by the Iranian army and the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps, which are set to run until mid-March. These drills are focused on safeguarding critical nuclear facilities, including Natanz, Fordow, and Khondab.

The latest military exercises align with the recent inauguration of US President Donald Trump and heightened scrutiny of Iran's nuclear program due to increased uranium enrichment activities.

During Trump's first term, the US withdrew from the 2015 nuclear deal between Iran and world powers. In response, Iran has taken many steps [to scale back its compliance](#) with the 2015 agreement.

These steps include [banning UN nuclear inspectors](#) from the country as well as [expanding uranium enrichment capabilities](#).

Trump has pledged to reinstate his previous policy of using economic pressure as leverage to compel Iran to negotiate a new agreement addressing its nuclear program, ballistic missile development, and regional influence.

Trump [last week stressed](#), in an interview with Sean Hannity of *Fox News*, that Iran cannot have a nuclear weapon.

Retrieved February 3, 2025, from [Iran unveils new ballistic missile with range of 1,700 kilometers | Israel National News - Arutz Sheva](#)

**January 27, 2025**

## **3.8 magnitude earthquake strikes off coast of New England**

A 3.8 magnitude earthquake struck off the coast of New England on Monday morning with shaking felt in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, and an hour away in Boston.

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## **NATO's Rutte Calls for Raising Defense Spending Above 2 Percent of GDP**

NATO Secretary General Mark Rutte called on the alliance members on Monday to step up their defense spending beyond their common goal of 2% of GDP, which had been set a decade ago and is now considered too low due to new challenges posed by Russia.

Rutte spoke in Lisbon alongside Prime Minister Luis Montenegro, who only reiterated Portugal's pledge to meet its 2% goal by 2029. In 2023, the country spent 1.5% of its GDP on its NATO commitments.

"We know that the goal of 2%, now set a decade ago, will not be enough to meet the challenges of tomorrow," Rutte said.

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**January 21, 2025**

## **Putin Vows Stronger Ties With Xi Hours After Trump's Inauguration**

Russian President Vladimir Putin held a video call with Chinese President Xi Jinping on Tuesday in which he proposed further developing their strategic partnership just hours after Donald Trump was sworn in as the 47th president.

Putin waved at Xi and addressed Chairman Xi as his "dear friend," saying he wanted to outline "new plans for the development of the Russian-Chinese comprehensive partnership and strategic cooperation."

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## **27 injured as 6.4 magnitude earthquake rattles Taiwan**

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## **Historic snow amounts could fall on Florida, Louisiana and Texas as a once-in-a-generation storm hits**

• **Historic storm underway:** Snow is falling from southeast Texas through Louisiana and into parts of Mississippi and Alabama Tuesday morning and creating treacherous conditions. An area stretching from Houston into southern Louisiana has already recorded widespread 1 to 3 inches of snow, with a few locales approaching 6 inches, and more is on the way. A record amount of snow is forecast for New Orleans and other cities along the Gulf Coast.

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**January 16, 2025**

## **Iranian military introduces sophisticated reconnaissance ship during military drills**

**Iranian media claims the ship, named Zagros, is outfitted with "electronic sensors," interceptors, and additional cyber and intelligence capabilities.**

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**January 15, 2025**

## **2.8 magnitude earthquake shakes Richmond, Virginia Tuesday; no damage or injures reported**

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## **Firefighters Brace for Increasing Gusts Following Reprieve for LA Area**

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**January 14, 2025**

## **Iranian plot to assassinate Jewish official in Azerbaijan foiled**

**Georgian citizen accused of being offered \$200,00 to gather intelligence and carry out assassination of leader of local Jewish community on behalf of Iran.**

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## **Sources in negotiations: ' Hamas changed its position - not Israel'**

**A source familiar with the negotiations responded to Minister Ben-Gvir's concerns regarding the emerging deal, saying that new pressures had forced Hamas to compromise.**

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## **Ukraine Launches 'Massive Attack' on Multiple Targets in Russia**

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**January 13, 2025**

## **Kremlin: Security Guarantees for Ukraine, Russia Key to Peace Deal**

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## **Japan Hit by Another Major Earthquake | Real Reason Behind Non-Stop Fear of New Tsunami Explained**

A powerful 6.9 magnitude earthquake has struck Japan's Kyushu region, sparking concerns and tsunami warnings for coastal areas. In this video, we explore the reasons behind Japan's vulnerability to frequent seismic activities and how its location on the Pacific Ring of Fire makes it one of the most earthquake-prone regions in the world. Get the latest updates on the aftermath of this major quake, tsunami warnings, and insights into Japan's geologic risks. Stay informed and prepared as we delve into the science of earthquakes and their global impact.

#JapanEarthquake #TsunamiWarning #KyushuQuake #SeismicActivity #Japan #EarthquakeRisk #NaturalDisasters #Geology #RingOfFire #JapanNews #Earthquake2025

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**January 12, 2025**

## **6.2 magnitude earthquake hits Mexico**

The US Geological Survey on Sunday said a magnitude 6.2 earthquake struck a region of southwest Mexico.

It was gathered that the tremor was centred eight kilometers from Coalcoman de Vazquez Pallares, a municipality of around 20,000 people which is about 600 kilometres west of the capital Mexico City.

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## **Tensions Explode: China Threatened as Japan Arms Philippines Near Taiwan**

Story by Regtechtimes

The Philippines has initiated a significant move to strengthen its coastal defense by installing Japanese-supplied radar systems which threatened China near the Batanes islands. These islands, located less than 200 kilometers from Taiwan, have gained strategic importance due to rising tensions in the region. The newly installed radars will monitor the Bashi Channel, a crucial maritime passage separating the Philippines from Taiwan. This area is not only a vital shipping route but also a potential evacuation point for Filipinos if a conflict involving Taiwan arises.

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**January 10, 2025**

## **Earthquake rattles San Francisco, Bay Area at magnitude 3.7, USGS says**

An earthquake with a preliminary magnitude of 3.7 struck the coast of San Francisco on Friday morning, the United States Geological Survey reported. The earthquake occurred about three miles northwest of the San Francisco Zoo in the Pacific Ocean, the U.S. Geological Survey reported, with none to light shaking felt in the area. As of Friday morning, no damage was immediately reported.

Earthquakes with a magnitude of 3 or 4 generally lead to affected residents feeling mild shaking, according to California State University Long Beach. Earthquakes of magnitude 5.4 or less occur hundreds of thousands of times per year, Michigan Technological University reported.

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**January 9, 2025**

## **Biden to leave decision on Syria sanctions to Trump**

**US officials say the Biden administration is expected to leave the decision on lifting sanctions against Syrian rebel group Hayat Tahrir al-Sham and its leader to the incoming Trump administration.**

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## **Los Angeles Fire: 130,000 evacuated so far, at least five fatalities**

**Strong winds are driving the massive wildfire in Los Angeles onwards. At least five people were killed and a state of emergency has been declared in California.**

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**January 7, 2025**

## **7.1 Western China Earthquake Kills at Least 126 in Tibet**

A strong earthquake shook a high-altitude region of western China and areas of Nepal on Tuesday, damaging hundreds of houses, littering streets with rubble and killing at least 126 people in Tibet. Many others were trapped as dozens of aftershocks shook the remote region.

Rescue workers climbed mounds of broken bricks, some using ladders in heavily damaged villages, as they searched for survivors. Videos posted by China's Ministry of Emergency Management showed two people being carried on stretchers by workers treading over the debris from collapsed homes.

At least 188 people were injured in Tibet on the Chinese side of the border, the official Xinhua News Agency said.

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## **January 4, 2025**

### **4.6-4.8 Magnitude earthquake causes panic in grocery store, Yinchuan, China**

Retrieved January 4, 2025, from <https://www.msn.com/en-us/news/world/4-6-4-8-magnitude-earthquake-causes-panic-in-grocery-store-yinchuan-china/vi-AA1wWTr3?ocid=msedgntp&pc=ENTPHB&cvid=b60dca5bf6954086ab210fa15c1d8>

### **Series of Ethiopia earthquakes trigger evacuations**

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