

Alex Krainer: Iran Unleashes Missile Storm on Israel & Gulf States

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Hi everybody, today is Thursday, March 19th, 2026, and our dear friend, our brother Alex Krainer, is here with us. Welcome back, Alex.

#Alex

Hi Nima, good to be with you again, and greetings to everyone out there.

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Alex, let's start with the new escalations in the Middle East — the attack on the South Pars oil facilities in Iran, one of the most important sources of oil for the country. It's hugely important for Iran, and it was a major attack carried out by the Israelis and the United States. Then we learned that Iran announced yesterday they're going to attack Saudi Arabia, the UAE, and Qatar. They issued a warning to civilians living nearby, and people left the area. The targets in Qatar and the UAE were hit — some major attacks, together with Saudi Arabia. What's your understanding of these new escalations happening right now with the war?

#Alex

Well, the one that always escalates, it seems, is Israel, with U.S. support. You know, we see a lot of narratives now saying this is all Israel, Israel, Israel. Yes, that's true. But Trump owns it now. He owns it. There's no way around it. So this is his. And I can see these narratives going around because one side will try to pin it on the other, and then the other side will do the same, because this is really, truly awful. But, you know, the other day I watched a podcast by an Israeli journalist, and I'm sorry, I forget his name.

He's worth remembering — a journalist, a good guy — and he was saying, "Look, whatever happens, Israel will always escalate. That's just how it is." So you can practically take it to the bank that they'll escalate no matter what happens. Because at this point, whatever Israel does, they count on the rest of the world — primarily the United States, NATO, and Western allies — to come to their aid. So the worse, the better, as far as they're concerned, because they want to try to unite the West against Iran. They just do whatever they think they can to make things worse. I don't know if that will work — if they escalate to nuclear weapons, if they launch a nuclear attack.

But there are a lot of rumors and a lot of talk about Israel orchestrating a false flag attack in the United States that they would then try to blame on Iran. So this is where we are. The reason I think we can't get around Trump owning this is because it was all pretty much foreseen. If you attack Iran, you're very likely going to get a regional war. If you get a regional war, there's a risk it turns into a nuclear world war. And that's one of the reasons I wrongly assumed Trump would never do this — because it's just so incredibly insane and reckless, and for no discernible gain that I can see.

This doesn't serve U.S. interests — on the contrary. It doesn't serve Iranian interests, obviously. It doesn't serve Europe's interests. I don't see how it serves Israeli interests either, other than Benjamin Netanyahu's own personal, political, and eschatological ambitions, which now seem to be a real part of the equation. It was about a year ago, Nima, that we talked about this — the whole eschatological dimension of it. And it sounded weird at the time. It sounded weird to me too. I got it from a friend of mine who's Muslim, but who studies Islamic, Christian, and Jewish eschatologies, and he alerted me to this.

And then when I read up on it a little bit, I thought, well, it does kind of sound like this is what it is — even though you always hope it can't possibly be that irrational, that fundamentalist religious fanatics are in charge. And even less that the president of the United States would go along with that. But this is where we are. Now, the consequences of the attack on the gas fields — they attacked, Iran responded in the way they said they would. They were warned: you do this, we will do this. It puts us in a world of trouble now. We don't really know what's next. We're going to have an energy crisis, and that crisis will spill over into a food production crisis. And that comes on top of years of Western nations deliberately destroying agricultural production.

#Alex

I don't know where it goes. I hate to try to predict, but it's only making a bad situation worse. And amazingly, apart from maybe the prime minister of Belgium and then, you know, Viktor Orbán and Robert Fico, it doesn't seem that any of these officials ever stop and think, well, if we continue this way, we're kind of running off a cliff. So we need to stop and reassess what we're doing, and then take some constructive, positive steps to mitigate all the dangers that are coming our way. They're just doubling down. They're saying, you know, pedal to the metal, full speed ahead. Honestly, if somebody had told me five years ago that this would be happening—I'm already pretty conspiracy-inclined, you know—but I would've said no. No, that just can't be.

#Nima

Exactly. Alex, it's not just you. When I was in Iran, my friends kept asking, "Is he going to attack Iran? Is Donald Trump going to attack?" I said, "No, he's not stupid. He knows everything. He follows the money. The money doesn't go there if he doesn't want it to." I was, you know, kind of stupid to think that way.

#Alex

Nima, you know, I've been listening a lot these days. I've tried to go a little bit outside the usual voices. So we have some Turkish military analysts, some Indian and Pakistani analysts—military, geopolitical, and so forth—Croatian and Serbian military analysts, French analysts, Italian, and so on. I've tried to listen to different voices from different parts of the world. And many of these people are saying the same things. Basically, I was very supportive of what Trump was doing because he seemed to have the right instincts. He was taking on the global order, taking on the Europeans, breaking up the NATO alliance, and a number of other things.

And then it was obvious that up until last month, he was trying to avoid a conflict with Iran. And then something just turned, and everybody is in shock. Everybody's saying this is so completely insane that they, like you and I, have a hard time believing it's even happening. And that Trump is continuing to, you know, rather than saying, "This was an error, a miscalculation. It's Marco Rubio or Jared Kushner—off with their heads. We're withdrawing. Iran, we apologize. That was a very bad idea. Let's sit down at the table." He's doubling down. He's owning it. He keeps saying, "We're winning, we're winning."

The Iranians are desperately crawling on their knees, begging us to stop. And so he's making it hard for himself to pull away. All he can do now is keep doubling down and escalating, even as his allies are saying, "Thank you, but we're not going with you. We're not doing this. This is a really, really bad idea." And in the end, it always ends up the same. This is why people came up with the story of Icarus—I don't know how to pronounce it in English—who got too ambitious, flew too close to the sun, and then the wax on his feathers melted, and he fell crashing to the ground and was killed. Now Trump is repeating that story.

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It's not just about you and me and a lot of people out there. It's about, you know, even Joe Kent. His resignation shows how these people were feeling before—they thought the United States was going in the wrong direction. That's why he decided to resign. I think it's a huge shift in what's going on. And Donald Trump is not, Alex—you know, he's coming out and saying all these pictures, all these videos coming out of Iran, people on the streets chanting and supporting the government—he says it's all AI. You have to be told, I don't know where he's getting his information, his intelligence, but somebody is feeding him, or he's somehow believing what he's saying without considering the reality of what's going on in Iran.

#Alex

I would agree with you, Nima, and I'd say again, as I've said many times, nobody can be this stupid—but I was so wrong, you know? And then, you know, I think Trump himself must know all the same, because many of the things he's saying are patently wrong, and he knows it, so he's lying.

Like, nobody could have predicted that they would attack other countries? That's unfair. Well, he had his National Intelligence Council tell him that. He obviously chose to ignore it. He had his head of operations on the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Vice Admiral Fred Kacher, who told him, "We shouldn't be doing this. We can't win." He had a lot of intelligence telling him this was an extremely bad idea. And he only had the Israelis around him—or Zionists around him—telling him, "You got this, Mr. President, pull the trigger." And then he did. It appears that... Nima, what's the name of the general who took over after Soleimani was killed? Do you know that?

#Nima

Yeah, Esmail Ghaani.

#Alex

Yes, Esmail Ghaani. Apparently, the Israelis believed they could take over because they had co-opted Esmail Ghaani. So they thought, we get our assets on the ground activated, the Americans and our planes bomb from the air, and then our guy will take over—and then we're in business. But the Iranian leadership understood that Ghaani was going to be a traitor, so they eliminated him, correct? But still, still, even if this were true, Nima, it would be one thing for Israel to go into this adventure alone, because they have nothing to lose.

They're done. But for Trump to go along with this—risk a regional war, risk being evicted from the region, risk a world war, a nuclear exchange—on a gamble, just a gamble he got from some of his close, not even advisors, but cronies around him and these Zionist fanatics... that is just insane. This is the kind of stuff you'd read in history books, something that happened a thousand years ago, and you'd think, "Gosh, how stupid people were back then."

#Nima

Yeah, exactly, Alex. What's happening in the Persian Gulf, in the Strait of Hormuz, is something I think is very strategic for Iran. For years to come, this is the first time Iran is doing something in the Strait of Hormuz to check everything. And it's normal, Alex—my son is the same way. What's happening now in the Strait of Hormuz is something unusual. You know, with the war in Ukraine, we've seen how Russia was forced to react, how it had to reposition itself and show how powerful it is. And with the trade war, we've seen something totally different from China, hitting back at the United States. Right now it's Iran's turn, and Iran is hitting back—they're not backing down. There's an article in the Financial Times that I think is beautiful.

You read it, and you see how the guy who wrote this article really knows what he's talking about. He argues that Iran's actions in the Strait of Hormuz show the reality of multipolar economic warfare. For decades, the United States dominated sanctions and used financial pressure as a strategic weapon. Now other powers, including Iran and China, can use similar tools in response to escalation.

This is the reality—the outcome of what’s happening right now in the Middle East. I think ignoring it, just putting aside all this destruction, the death and destruction that’s the unfortunate reality of this war, misses the point. The outcome so far is that the Strait of Hormuz is going to be controlled by the Iranians, and they’re not going to let this trade be used freely by other countries. How do you see the importance of what’s happened so far?

#Alex

Well, I think that’s exactly right. You know, I think the Iranians have no incentive—no reason whatsoever—to go back to the old status quo. Because it’s not just decades, Nima, it’s 120 years. This started in the early years of the 20th century, when the British realized that the southeastern side of Iran was very rich in oil. And the British understood the importance of oil not just for energy, but also for strategic reasons, because that was the time when everything was switching from steamships to oil-powered ships, which had massive advantages over steam power. So the British wanted to dominate the oil industry globally—oil production globally.

And so, already from 1902 or 1903, you know, they’d been invading Iran. They’d been occupying parts of Iran, imposing wars on Iran—either directly or by proxy, like the Iran–Iraq war. Saddam Hussein invaded Iran on behalf of the Western colonizers, basically. He was directed by the CIA; he was a CIA man. And then Iran experienced famine twice during this period, with tens of thousands of people dying—first in 1917, and then again in the 1940s during World War II. And it wasn’t war-related, because Iran was neutral during World War II. It was exactly occupation-related. And this never stopped. This never stopped.

You know, sanctions—maximum pressure sanctions—financing of Iranian dissident terrorist guerrillas like the MEK and so forth, assassinations of Iranian scientists and leaders, bombings of Iranian embassies around the world. Why would Iran want this to continue? And with these maximum pressure sanctions, not only the state but ordinary Iranian people have suffered. They haven’t been able to develop their economy properly. They haven’t been able to reach their full potential as a country that’s extraordinarily rich, with a huge, very well-educated population. So it has huge potential, but it’s being stunted and suffocated by the West, which says, “You give us your resources, or we’re going to destroy you.”

So now that the war—now that the West started the fight, now that Trump and the Israelis started the fight—now Iran is fully within its right to finish it, and to finish it on its own terms. Because, you know, just saying, “OK, ceasefire, let’s go back to the table, we’ll negotiate,” that means everything the Israelis, the British, the Americans have been doing, they’ll just keep doing more of it. And that’s unbearable, completely intolerable. And now, OK, there’s a risk that other countries in the region are going to suffer—like the Saudis and the Kuwaitis—but they all made a deal with the devil.

And so they lived the high life by basically becoming proxy forces of Western powers on Iran’s doorstep. And they cooperated, so they brought this on themselves. They cannot reverse this

fortune. Practically from day one of this attack, I thought, what's the remedy? What is the remedy now? I think the remedy would be a kind of radical truth therapy—to simply own up to the truth as it is, to seek amends. And then part two of that would be to simply drop Israel, to cease all support for Israel, because only then will they be forced to find a compromise with their neighbors and with the Palestinian people. Otherwise, they never will. They'll just keep killing and killing and killing and killing and killing.

When they're tired of killing Palestinians, they'll kill the Lebanese. When they're tired of bombing the Lebanese, they'll start bombing the Jordanians, the Yemenis, and so on. And then, you know, people in Iraq and people in Iran. And then, you know, they're already saying, "Well, when we're done with the Iranians, we're coming for Turkey, and then we're going for Pakistan," right? So this will never end. And if the current political lineup in the United States stays intact, that means every time the Israelis escalate with a new enemy, the United States is on the hook to own that war too. So if they go to war against Turkey, again, they'll drag the United States into it.

If they go to war against Pakistan, they'll drag the United States into it. So the only winning move here is truth—radical truth—and dropping Israel. That's the winning move. At this point, I think the people of the United States would actually rejoice. I think they'd be very supportive because they've understood that Israel is the main destabilizing factor in West Asia. And somehow, the United States is being led, you know, like a bull with a ring in its nose. They're being led to clean up every Israeli misadventure—except this one isn't a misadventure to clean up. This time, they're getting pounded to pieces by Iran.

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Alex, the war is—many people are asking if the United States, every time Pete Hegseth comes out and says that they've destroyed the Iranian Navy, Iranian air defenses, Iranian ballistic missiles, missile production—everything—they've destroyed everything. But after all that, they're still not capable of opening up the Strait of Hormuz, and they're asking the Europeans to help them. At least from what we've seen so far, Europe is doing everything for the United States and Israel to defend them. But when it comes to the Strait of Hormuz, you see some hesitation on the part of the Europeans to come out and talk about it. They're doing everything. We've learned that British military analysts and strategists are all in the United States trying to design some sort of solution for the Strait of Hormuz. But here's what Pete Hegseth was asked by a reporter about the Strait of Hormuz, and here's what he said.

#Speaker 03

You've said the U.S. military has aerial and naval superiority over Iran, yet we're not escorting ships through the Strait of Hormuz. Why? How did you not plan for this?

#Speaker 04

We planned for it. We recognize it, because ultimately we want to do it sequentially, in a way that makes the most sense for what we want to achieve, and to ensure we're sending the right signals to the world when we do so. So when Chris Wright speaks, or when we speak, it's based on a full assessment of what we're up against, what we want to say to the world, and how we want them to see and understand the conflict. It's like this whole idea of the war widening—that's what the press wants to make it look like, like it's widening into chaos. No, we're actually closing in on grabbing hold of and controlling the objectives we want to achieve and how we want to achieve them.

It's called shaping operations and setting the conditions. But when you shape the environment, you don't always announce it. I mean, foolish political leaders and foolish military leaders in the past would hang an exact deadline on it—"Here's exactly when we'll do this," or "Here's how long it's going to take." And then, if you meet that, fine. But if you don't, you fail. We know exactly what we're shaping and why. We're sending those signals, working across the interagency. The Strait of Hormuz is something we've paid attention to from the beginning, and the American people can rest assured we will ensure that our interests are advanced—no doubt.

#Nima

One thing I can say is, this guy's watched a lot of Hollywood movies, and I think he feels like he's in one of them. What do you make of it, Alex?

#Alex

Nima, he's such a lightweight. It's not true that they were paying attention to the Strait of Hormuz from the beginning. They weren't. They were caught off guard. They were going for regime change, and they thought they'd get it. Hormuz wasn't even an afterthought, because they never believed Iran closing the Strait of Hormuz was a real risk. So now they're rushing to—this is, you know, like rushing to shut the barn door after the horses are already over the hill.

#Nima

Yeah.

#Alex

Okay, so here's the Secretary of War. He has to stand there and pretend he's competent, but it's clear he's not. It's obvious they went into this like a bunch of arrogant, hubristic cowboys who thought, "We're the best, we're the greatest. We did this in Venezuela—how fantastic and brilliant was that? The Israelis are with us, look what they did to Hezbollah, look what they did to Hamas. We're going to do this epic undertaking together."

#Alex

And we're going to come out winners. They didn't stop to think, "Oh, wait—what happens if we fail?"

#Alex

And then they fired—well, I was told that one of these agencies, I think the National Security Agency or maybe Domestic Homeland—yeah, the National Security Agency, I think—it's supposed to be staffed by about 450 analysts, and they're down to 40. Because you know what happens when you have these agendas: everybody who doesn't agree gets fired. So you end up with a handful of yes-men who'll go along with whatever you need. And, you know, Vice Admiral Fred Kemp was trying to discourage Trump from going to war—he got fired. Charlie Kirk tried hard to discourage Trump from going to war already, you know, last summer, when he got killed.

#Alex

General—what's... I forget the... yeah, I forget the name now. I'm blanking out. But others who agreed, they stayed on. And then, you know, what you get is a cult. You get a cult of fanatics who've just been punched in the face, and now they have to go, "Oh no, no, it's nothing, it's fine, we're fine, we're totally in control, don't worry." And this leads to these ridiculous scenes where it almost reminds you of Monty Python—the Black Knight who gets both his arms and both his legs cut off, and he still wants to fight, still saying, "Well, this is nothing, I can still fight you."

#Nima

This is the way you let Netanyahu and his gang run your country. It's amazing, Alex—you see a great big country, a superpower, being run by a state called Israel.

#Alex

You know, Nima, sorry to interrupt you, but I think this is something we really need to ponder. How can it be that a small country of six—well, so many people—the size of New Jersey, in the Mediterranean, completely and totally dependent on the United States for its security, is running a superpower of 330 million people with a 14 or 15 trillion GDP, and even gets \$3.8 billion from the U. S. every year? How can it be that this little country can control a global superpower? We really need an answer to that question, because otherwise it just doesn't make sense.

Let's take Albania, a country of similar size. You know how insane it would be to think that somehow Albania could control the United States? It's just so absurd that we have to understand exactly how this happened and who's behind it, because it's obviously hidden. It must be hidden, because it doesn't make sense otherwise. And so, you know, I'd like to remind everybody that Israel—the whole Zionist project—is the creation of the British Empire. And the British Empire never ended; it kind of reincarnated itself by attaching to the United States like a parasite.

#Nima

But it has—sorry for interrupting you. It's not just about Israel. All these Arab states were created by the British Empire. The whole region was shaped by them.

#Alex

Yes, correct, correct. Yeah. And then they attached themselves to the United States like a parasite. They took control of the whole banking industry, the media, and all the large strategic corporations. So we see that there are a few Zionist billionaires who are in the public eye—like Larry Ellison, Paul Singer, a few names like that. Bill Ackman, for example. But this must be a very cohesive, very extensive network. And I think it's just not even conceivable that they aren't in cahoots with the City of London. I think we can see that now with the Epstein files, who is most probably at the top of that pyramid.

They were the ones who took Jeffrey Epstein as their agent, their employee—the ones who were paying him. You know, "who pays the piper calls the tune." So Epstein was visible, doing all this stuff, but we need to ask who was paying for it. And then, when you look at Jews, you see there's a raging debate within Jewish eschatology—whether Jews should just wait for the Messiah to come, because it has to be the work of God, or whether they can take matters into their own hands and initiate the messianic times, the Armageddon, themselves. Because if they bring the world to the point of Armageddon, then the Messiah will come.

So, you know, that point of view is like, "Let's just blow everything up. Let's set the whole world on fire." But you only hear this one side. You don't hear that there's a very passionate segment of the Jewish population who are completely and totally anti-Zionist because they don't agree on these points. And so, you know, if one faction wins out—because they're visible, they're close to the levers of power, and they get to influence events—others who are also Jewish and very numerous, like the Neturei Karta Jews, are disenfranchised. They have no voice. They're never heard anywhere. And so it turns out this is almost like a monolith.

But it's not, because if one side wins out, it's because that side is being pushed—being supported with money. Who has the money? The bankers. And who's being put, you know, in contact with Trump, with Benjamin Netanyahu, with the Kushners, with... I don't know if Witkoff is in it, I don't know if Lutnik is in it, but apparently they are—allegedly they are. And then somehow you arrange it so all these people find themselves inside the Trump administration. And when everybody else has been let go or cut out of the loop, apparently what they're saying is that Joe Kent wasn't even in the briefings when the war on Iran was being discussed, even though he's the nation's anti-terrorism czar.

#Nima

Yeah, the director of the Counterterrorism Center, yeah.

#Alex

Right. So that tells you they've kind of hijacked the whole process of government. How can that be? It's not because Benjamin Netanyahu is so powerful. It's because there's this whole other layer of control, deep in the shadows, that we're not supposed to ask questions about or even know about—but they're able to move these pieces around. And I think Jeffrey Epstein wasn't even at that level. That level goes higher, because we know that Ariane de Rothschild hired him. So she was paying.

And then we know that even when it came to the pandemic, her institution—the Edmond de Rothschild Foundation—together with the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, the World Health Organization, and so on, planned and orchestrated that public health event a couple of years ago. And how is that even possible? Well, obviously, we know from the Epstein files that it was possible. There's enough of a paper trail to know for sure that this is what they were doing. So we can assume that if they could get the pandemic going, they can get the war against Iran going too.

#Nima

Alex, I think they've managed to infiltrate both parties in the United States. You know, when you look at the Democrats, you see Soros mostly—Soros and all this, you know, good-sounding propaganda about human rights and democracy. They go into countries, destroy them, and do everything under the banner of democracy and human rights. And on the other hand, they've also infiltrated the Republican Party. Even MAGA was infiltrated by these people. They're so powerful. They know the system. That's why they're so capable of managing it.

I think many people are shocked by the decision of the Trump administration because they're seeing someone who is totally, like, 180 degrees different from what he was talking about before being elected in the United States. That's a huge shock for everyone—you know, people like Tucker Carlson, even Joe Kent, who worked for Donald Trump and believed in him, and Marjorie Taylor Greene. These are intelligent people, really smart, not stupid. But they were tricked somehow, or the Zionists were so powerful that they managed to convince the whole administration this was the right way to go. And I think that's a huge disappointment.

And, you know, people are somehow desperate in the United States. Who can they believe anymore? Who's it going to be? I mean, J.D. Vance is not going to be that powerful, because he's showing something that's, well, he's kind of destroying his—if he wants to be a 2028 presidential candidate, he's destroying that, literally, by being so silent, not talking much about it. Tulsi Gabbard just, somehow, she destroyed everything. Many people who supported Tulsi Gabbard, who thought she was going to be a game changer in the Trump administration together with Kash Patel—you know what we've learned? Kash Patel is making a new case against Joe Kent in the FBI. It's just amazing what's happening.

#Alex

Apparently, they're also going after Tucker Carlson. But you see, Nima, none of this was meant to happen, because this lever of control is supposed to be hidden from us. And it seems to me that the level of desperation is huge, because, you know, we have to remember, they had a number of extremely, extremely important projects on their agenda. One of them was the pandemic, right? The pandemic was meant—so, you know, I'm not talking about Trump and Benjamin Netanyahu and a war in Iran. I'm just talking about the top level, the top echelon that's trying to create a system of global control where they would rule forever and probably create a kingdom in Jerusalem and have the Pax Judaica, essentially.

The pandemic was their project. And the pandemic was supposed to end in a completely new normal. Remember, they were promising us there's no return to the old normal, at least until everybody was vaccinated. And that whole thing unraveled completely. Then the next extremely important project was net zero. That is falling apart—it's in the advanced stages of falling apart. So the world is going to go back to coal and nuclear and oil and gas, and people will do what they have to do to get their energy. Not everybody's going to switch to solar and wind and downsize their economies to usher in this new world order, whatever they had in mind.

Now you have very, very strong reactions against illegal immigrants. But that's just part of the game. The third extremely important project they had was Ukraine. They lost there. And then the last of these projects was taking total control of Western Asia. That was already formulated in 2001, and we know that from Wesley Clark. It was in September or October 2001 that Wesley Clark got that briefing—"Oh, we're going after seven countries in five years." Or was it five countries in seven years? No, it was seven in five years.

Seven in five years. So in 2001—yeah, it was seven in five years, Alex. That means they should have achieved regime change in Iran by 2006. That's twenty years ago. And then, you know, they needed to get Trump into the White House to get that project going, and now they're losing. So I think, Nima, they're in a blind panic because everything is falling apart. And not only that, but, you know, unlike in decades and centuries past, there was no alternative—it was a European, Western-centric world. But now you have China, you have Russia, and I think Iran is going to emerge as a major power in Western Asia. They all understand how the game is played, and they all know exactly who the enemy is.

And I think, you know, for American people watching this, I would say do not despair, because now you know things you were not meant to know. The United States will incubate new leadership. Maybe it won't be anybody we know at the moment, but in 1998 nobody knew that Vladimir Putin existed in Russia. Then he was brought to the fore, and everything changed. So I think the same will

be the case in the United States. I would say, keep on keeping on—keep researching the truth, keep telling the truth, speaking the truth. I think that us knowing the truth will literally make us free. And, you know, the people who made the deal with the devil—they will fall, and they are falling.

And this is why they're panicked—because if they were doing well, if they were confident and in control, none of this would be visible. That's how it was since World War II. We watched Hollywood movies, we watched sports, we went to our jobs, made our money until retirement, and then enjoyed our pension. Now everything is falling apart, and people are paying very, very close attention to what's going on. So just because everyone you see in Washington, D.C., has lost your confidence, remember how things went elsewhere—someone you don't even know exists might suddenly catalyze all this energy, bring it together, and take the country in a different direction. But that only happens if you don't surrender. So just—never surrender.

#Nima

You know, Alex, what's so amazing for many people is that we remember when everyone was talking about the fall of Bashar al-Assad in Syria, and it seemed like the resistance movements were somehow weakened. They had no power at that point. There was no connection between Iran and Lebanon anymore. The Houthis in Yemen were somehow being managed by the United States. Iraq was under U.S. control because they had a big base there and a large embassy. All these Persian Gulf Arab states were under U.S. influence. Then the war started in Iran, and suddenly you saw the resistance movements rising again.

They're making a huge difference, reshaping the whole Middle East—something nobody was talking about. You and I kept saying this isn't the case, that they're not weakened. And now you see Lebanon hitting the southern part of Israel, not the northern part—they've never done that before. How do you see these acts of resistance? I mean, when you look at Iraq, Hezbollah in Iraq, Hezbollah in Lebanon, together with Iran—we haven't seen the Houthis or the Yemenis joining the fight yet. They're just on standby, waiting for the right moment if they need to join the war.

#Alex

Yes, correct, Nima. I think at this stage it's like an avalanche—it can't be reversed. So now every success of the axis of resistance is going to galvanize that energy even more. And, you know, let's not forget Jordan, because Jordan is kind of a non-entity there, but more than half of its population are Palestinians. You've got a weak puppet king there, protected by, I think, British SAS, who could be easy to overthrow at some point. And then you have that population. And then there's Egypt, where the ordinary people have had it with just passively watching the Palestinian people being genocided. That front might get activated.

So it could be like a forest fire—nothing's happening, nothing's happening, and then all of a sudden everything goes up in flames because there's so much dry tinder lying around. It's just a question of

a spark, a spark. And I think we're getting there. Israel is getting weaker and weaker; it's being destroyed as we speak. It's very clear that American military power is no longer sufficient to protect Israel. Americans know it, Israelis know it, and everybody else is finding out. Europeans are too scared. Well, you know, speaking of Europe—remember when they had Operation Prosperity Guardian, which they launched in December 2023? They were going to keep the Red Sea open. And then the Americans came, the British came, and the French sent some of their warships.

And then, when the French warships got into the Red Sea and started hitting Houthi positions, the Houthis shot back. The French were practically shocked—like, who do these people think they are, shooting back at us? So they basically decided to turn around and leave the region. They were like, "These people fight back. What are we doing here? Let's leave." So who's going to dare go to war against Iran now? The Americans are fantasizing about taking control of Kharg Island. Nima, I watched this general on CNN saying, "Oh yeah, you know, Marines—this is what they do. They're super effective, and we have air superiority, and we have naval superiority." And I'm thinking, are you serious?

You just spent 20 years trying to subdue the Taliban in Afghanistan and you failed, and now you think you're going to sail into the Persian Gulf and take an Iranian island? And you think the Iranians are just going to go, "Oh, we forgot to prepare the defenses of the island where 90% of our oil exports go through. We just didn't think of that. And look, they took it from us now." It's like everybody's gone mad, Nima. It's like everybody has gone mad. And those who aren't mad are either jumping ship or being pushed overboard—either they're being fired or they're resigning. And only the cult, the fanatical cult, has stayed, saying "God is willing." You know, it's like the Crusades. It's just insane. Can you believe this is the 21st century? I thought we were going to have flying cars, and here we are fighting the Crusades, apparently.

#Nima

Alex, what's happening with the war in Iran is actually very beneficial for BRICS and its future. Because it's not only reshaping the whole Middle East—which, in my opinion, if we consider the South Caucasus as the heart of Eurasia, would also be the heart of BRICS. And right now, what's going on, this reshaping of the Middle East, would benefit the entire concept of BRICS. You can see how Russia is benefiting from the war, and a stronger Russia means a stronger BRICS, a stronger alternative to what the West has right now.

And they thought that India—before the war happened, when the Prime Minister of India went to Israel—they said, "Oh, BRICS is over, it's nothing." No, but we know who's the foundation of BRICS. We know who the main constituents of BRICS are. Right now, it seems that everybody's turning against Europe. Everybody. Europe has been caught up in this foolish war in Ukraine, and they're continuing in that direction. How do you see the future of Europe? Are they going to perceive what's going on?

#Alex

No, no, no, Nima. Europe doesn't have a future. It's just a matter of time. Because, you know, now Hungary is going into elections, and look at what's happening. The Europeans are actively conspiring against the current president of Hungary, Viktor Orbán. They've put all their cards on his challenger—his name is something Magyar, I forget his first name. But he's obviously a puppet, you know, kind of like Matteo Renzi, Emmanuel Macron, or Olaf Scholz. It's like the Finnish president, Alex Staub—you know, almost a cookie-cutter version of these globalist puppets they control.

Sadly for me, the Croatian president also fits that mold. No, not the president—the prime minister. The president is more in Viktor Orbán's camp. But basically, instead of allowing the Hungarian people to make up their own minds, they're already conspiring with Big Tech to support this Magyar guy against Viktor Orbán and to muffle, to silence Orbán's supporters, to make it look like he's very unpopular—like this other guy, this little Soros lapdog, is the popular one. And what this shows is that...

#Alex

The European Union will not change course. With everything they have, they're pushing to escalate the confrontation with Russia and turn Europe into a kind of monolithic bloc where everyone submits to rulings from Brussels. Everybody bows down to Ursula von der Leyen. If she says, "To war," we all go to war. If she says, "All your taxes, all your money to Zelensky," everybody says, "Yes, ma'am, all our money goes to Zelensky." So Viktor Orbán says, "No, sorry, it's not going to be like that." And now the European Union is saying, "Okay, then you're out. We're going to do everything to overthrow you." The problem is, that will bring the European Union to the point of disintegration.

Because now, if this is the case, Viktor Orbán—parties like AfD in Germany, Poland possibly, Slovakia, Romania—many countries might say, "This is complete insanity. We're taking our sovereignty back." If you want to discuss being an economic union, a common market where we trade without tariffs and obstacles, then fine, we're interested in that. But we're not going in the direction of a political union, especially one run by completely incompetent, unelected clowns who are driving us toward nuclear annihilation. And so I think that since neither side will change course—you know, the Hungarians, the Romanians lost in these last elections—but that political movement didn't disappear; it's still there.

So it's, you know, countries like Romania, Hungary, the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Poland, Germany—ultimately with AfD—France, possibly with the Assemblée Nationale, they're all going to move in the direction of reclaiming their sovereignty. And at the same time, the EU will be pushing toward creating a united monolith. And they will fail, because they have no popular support whatsoever. So they will fail—it's just a question of time. We'll get some kind of rupture like we had in 1991 with the Soviet Union. And there are so many, so many parallels. I think the Soviet leaders were not half as stupid as the EU leaders today.

#Nima

Thank you so much, Alex, for being with us today. My pleasure—great pleasure, as always.

#Alex

Always good to join you. Take care.

#Nima

See you soon, Alex. Bye-bye.

#Alex

Bye.