

Iran's Hypersonic Missiles SMASH Israel, Trump CAVES on Plant Strikes

Iran's Operation True Promise 4 continues with ferocity as Israel pays a heavy price for its leadership role in the US's war as Trump's ultimatum threatens to send the Gulf States into a crisis of epic proportions. Danny Haiphong breaks down Day 24 of the war on Iran changing the world. FOLLOW ME ON RUMBLE: <https://rumble.com/c/DannyHaiphong> FOLLOW ME ON TELEGRAM: <https://t.me/dannyhaiphong> SUPPORT THE CHANNEL ON PATREON: <https://www.patreon.com/dannyhaiphong> Support the channel in other ways: <https://www.buymeacoffee.com/dannyhaiphong> Substack: chroniclesofhaiphong.substack.com Cashapp: \$Dhaiphong Venmo: @dannyH2020 Paypal: <https://paypal.me/spiritofho> Follow me on Telegram: <https://t.me/dannyhaiphong> #iranwar #israel #trump

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Welcome back to the show, everyone. Hit the like button as you come on, because we're getting right to the breaking updates. Donald Trump has caved on airstrikes on Iran's electrical grid, and I want to tell you exactly why he's done this before even getting to that huge development. It all has to do with the fact that the war situation—the military situation—is deteriorating, and it's deteriorating very fast. I want to begin with Israel's situation, because Iran has declared, as I've said before, that it has full control over the airspace of Israel. And now we're seeing exactly that taking place. Successive wave after successive wave of Iranian drone and missile strikes over Israel are demonstrating that it is completely out of interceptors at this point.

And I want to show you exactly why. So first, we have to go over Operation True Promise 4, wave number 75. Iran not only continued to pound Tel Aviv and towns across central Israel, but it also began expanding the front as it promised, saying it wants the regional wars that Israel is waging to stop. Well, it is now participating in conjunction with Hezbollah, where missile strikes are now coming down on the Israeli side of the Lebanese-Israeli border. That happened yesterday. There were also reports of Iranian missile strikes on the Golan Heights, which, again, is Syrian territory occupied by the Israeli settler colony. And Iran reportedly hit there as well in Operation 74. So again, I'm saying, successive wave after successive wave.

Operation True Promise 4, wave number 74, happened as well in the last 24 hours, and that hit sites in Tel Aviv, Ramat Gan, Petah Tikva, and Holon. All of these cities and towns in the settler colony ended up under missile fire in the last 24 hours. And here you can see—okay, I'm not going to play the video because it might mess with my connection where I am—but I took this image because across all the videos you can see Iran using its Khoramshahr-4, which is a hypersonic missile that can go Mach 8 to Mach 10. It can travel over 2,000 kilometers, it's solid-fuel, and it carries a huge

payload. Again, they're only using one-ton or heavier missiles in terms of weight, so these create massive impacts.

And this also has submunition capability—what some call cluster missile or cluster munition capability. In every video you watch from here on out, especially over the last 24 hours, you can see Israel isn't firing a single interceptor. Their radars are going off less than 10 minutes before the missiles are launched, and the sirens are sounding less than 10 minutes before the missiles reach their targets. So this is what it looks like: Iranian missile fire happening completely without any interruption or disruption from what used to be Israel's Iron Dome, its Arrow 4, and its various air interception systems. They've been completely depleted.

You don't see videos anymore showing interceptors going up. Because you may remember, at the beginning of this war, what did you have? You had Israeli interceptors firing four, five, six, seven, eight at a time, trying to take down these Iranian missiles. Right. This is the situation Israel faces now. These hypersonic missiles, like the Khoramshahr-4 with submunition capabilities, and the Kheibar missile, which can go about 1,500 kilometers itself—I think the Khoramshahr-4 has a 2,000-kilometer range, and the Kheibar about 1,500—are almost equally fast. These missiles are hitting Israel every single day in successive waves. Settlers are complaining they can't get any sleep. In Iran, we see the settlers running back to shelters.

And Iran has said that for Israeli and American personnel in the settler colony, it's not safe to go to bunkers because Iran knows where those bunkers are and plans to hit them. So it's not only Israel that's being targeted. Again, Israel is getting smashed by these hypersonic missiles, but drone strikes and missile fire are also still coming down on the Fifth Fleet in Bahrain over the last 24 hours. In Kuwait, we saw another F-15 downed by Iranian missile fire. Twenty-four hours ago, CENTCOM denied that an F-15 was down over the Strait of Hormuz. Now there are reports that an F-15 went down over Kuwait. We'll have to see if those reports eventually get confirmed or if CENTCOM will continue to deny them, as they have over and over again.

Prince Sultan Air Base in Saudi Arabia has also been struck every single day, it seems, over the last three days. Iran has been targeting this air base, which it says is absolutely critical to the U.S. effort to wage war on Iran. That's the overall situation with Operation True Promise 4. It continues to cause massive damage to Israel and to disrupt and damage U.S. bases as well, all at the same time. So Iran's capabilities are still very much intact, and they're saying they're just beginning this. Now, I want to show you this to kind of top it off, okay? This was reported yesterday: the Israeli Alma Research Center said that Iran and Hezbollah together are carrying out an extensive and sustained campaign of strikes against Israel, maintaining an average pace of eleven strikes per day, with 329 attack waves since February 28th alone.

So in less than a month, 329 attack waves — that's about 11 strikes per day. Hezbollah's involvement has gone way up since they entered the fray on March 2nd, carrying out 779 attack waves. And this past weekend alone, 110 attack waves were recorded in just two days. So Hezbollah

is here; Hezbollah is fighting as well. We also have reports — I don't know if you all saw — that Iraq, not only has NATO gotten itself out of there, but the Iraqi resistance is saying the U.S. has been forced into the Kurdistan region of Iraq and has had to leave the Victoria Air Base, the Victoria military base, and the U.S. embassy as well. U.S. personnel have fled because they're experiencing sustained attacks from the Iraqi resistance. So all across the battlefield, as you can see, the situation is very, very bad.

And so Donald Trump — what did he do 24 hours ago, 36 hours ago? He said he was going to destroy Iran's power plants if it didn't open the Strait of Hormuz. Because right now, not only is the military situation bad, but the global economic crisis is building up and getting worse and worse because of Iran's closure of the Strait of Hormuz — that's about to explode. So Donald Trump has cornered himself into needing to ultimately conclude this war with a confrontation over the Strait of Hormuz. That's the corner he put himself in, and the United States empire has put itself in. Now, after he said this — okay — what did Iran do? Iran said they had an exact list, this is from DD Geopolitics, friend of the show, of all the places, all the locations, all the infrastructure they will strike if Iran's energy or electrical grid is hit.

And here they are: the Ras al-Khair desalination plant in Saudi Arabia — the largest in the world. Millions would be left without water if that were hit. The Shuqaiq Power Station in Saudi Arabia — that's basically the country's southern power grid. The Al-Qarsah Power Station would be Qatar's power grid. And we can go on and on. Ras Laffan — they've already hit that — Qatar's lifeline. They've already struck the Qatar Energy facilities located in that area. So they've shown they can hit it and essentially shut down Qatar's gas for months, if not years, to come. Over and over, you see the UAE's nuclear power station, the water supply, the desalination plants they depend on. And look, in Bahrain, they have a 60% dependency on desalination. In Kuwait, it's 90% dependency on desalination, and 40% of...

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Qatar's electricity load is in one location — the Samra Power Station. So again, this is the whole list of where Iran has said it will strike if the United States and Israel try to destroy Iran's power grid. And mind you, the biggest power plant in Iran only supplies about 2.9% of its electricity. So there are major problems with this — there were major problems from the very beginning with this threat. But it's all because he's making these threats as he's running out of options, and the United States empire is running out of ways it can pressure Iran through aggression. That's all it has, because it cannot give in to Iran's demands. So the U.S. and Israel have to keep climbing the escalation ladder in terms of aggression. But each time they do, the consequences that come back on them only become more and more serious.

That list right there shows that if Iran hit those locations, there would be a massive catastrophe. That would essentially end not only the states the U.S. relies upon in the region to exert its hegemony, but also U.S. influence as well. Not a great position for the Trump administration — for

the U.S. to be in. But I also wanted to make sure I covered exactly how Donald Trump caved right here, because it's very important to note exactly what he said. He said, "I am pleased to report that the United States of America and the country of Iran have had, over the last two days, very good and productive conversations regarding a complete and total resolution of our hostilities in the Middle East."

Based on the tenor and tone of these in-depth, detailed, and constructive conversations, which will continue throughout the week, I have instructed the Department of War to postpone any and all military strikes against Iranian power plants and energy infrastructure for a five-day period, subject to the success of the ongoing meetings and discussions. Thank you for your attention to these matters. So Trump caved big time. He caved big time. He knew the consequences of what the U.S. was saying it was going to do — what the U.S. empire was saying it was going to do — were going to be far too grave. And what did Iran say? Iran said, absolutely not. We did not.

We did not talk with Donald Trump about these so-called constructive conversations. They're saying there was no direct contact with Trump — not even through any intermediaries. I mean, no Oman, no third parties, no one. No IAEA, nothing. Trump backed off after hearing that the targets would be all power plants in West Asia, which we can only assume is what Iran is saying. But if we look at the facts on the ground, and we look at the way the Trump administration, the U.S., and Israel have followed up on these threats, we see that, again, they were a major bluff to try to get Iran to capitulate. And Iran said, nope, we are not capitulating to you. So that's where we are right now. You saw the data here.

Again, I want to pull up this. This is absolutely massive data from Israel itself — 329 attack waves, 11 strikes per day. That's just the average. This has been fluctuating depending on the strategic target. In the first few days, it was a massive barrage, then there was a lull in the middle of March. You know, during this period of the war, from February 28th until now, there was a lull in the middle — fewer strikes. They were just depleting air defenses. And lately, we've seen an escalation go up quite dramatically, to where the Khoramshahr-4 missile was used. Regardless of whatever you may say about the number of Iranian strikes on Israel and the air bases, the Khoramshahr-4 missile is a powerful missile with a heavy payload and submunition capabilities.

So it causes massive destruction over a large area. That's going up every single day against Israel — about 11 a day. This is a game changer, what Iran has done. People have doubted Iran over the years in its response to Israeli aggression, the Gaza genocide, all of this. But now we're seeing exactly what Iran was doing: biding its time, building up its capabilities. And now it has a strategy to the point where it's calling Donald Trump's bluff, and Trump essentially needs to heed the warnings about what Iran is going to do if it's hit in the way the United States has supposedly promised. So, again, we're in a different period.

We're in a different era than we've ever been in before. Now, this is becoming increasingly acknowledged by the U.S. warmongering political establishment. There are some who continue to

say—and the mainstream media has affirmed this—that the big winners in this war, of course, are U.S. monopoly LNG corporations. And that's not untrue. They are reaping, and will continue to reap, massive profits due to the energy disruptions occurring globally because of this war. But it's a mistake to underestimate how important it is for the U.S. to maintain its military supremacy so it can preserve its petrodollar economic supremacy.

And when the military supremacy begins to wane, begins to weaken, begins to degrade and decline, then you'll see that actually correlate with the decline of the economic system by far. Because the investors, Wall Street—they're all very worried about what's going to happen in the days and weeks to come, because what's happening right now is very, very bad. It's laying, sowing the conditions for a complete obliteration of U.S. military power everywhere. And we're seeing massive losses, not just against Iran, but regionally. As I said before, U.S. forces in Iraq are now cornered in a tiny Kurdistan with the Barzani clique. They're cornered there. They're sitting there because they're worried about what the Iraqi resistance can do. They've opened up Pandora's box, and Pandora's box has not been kind.

So the New York Times is admitting—let me take this down—the New York Times is admitting that the United States has lost this war at this point. So if we take it today, as it stands, the U.S. has lost this war with all that's happening: Iranian missile strikes and drone strikes on U.S. bases, F-15s, the F-35 down. And now you have a situation where Israel is defenseless. It doesn't have air defense interceptors to protect its settlers from essentially getting their just desserts for all the massive crimes of expansion, Greater Israel, and genocide that it has committed. Now we're seeing a kind of shift—the U.S. has lost this war, and guess what? Israel had a large part in this.

Now, these are just reports from the New York Times, and there's an effort to play the blame game in many instances when it comes to who is responsible for this war and for the fact that it's being lost. In this report by the New York Times, which was just released, they're saying that Israel, through Mossad, gave the Trump administration information claiming that a rebellion inside Iran was guaranteed—even with the suppression of the protests that happened long before, into late 2025 and early 2026. Even with those protests, or "riots," that killed thousands of civilians and were crushed by Iran, they said there would still be a rebellion strong enough if the U.S. attacked Iran's government—if it overthrew the government by decapitating it, which is what the United States did.

If it did this—the United States, Donald Trump—then it would win. Essentially, these forces would take power. That was the information Donald Trump was fed by Mossad. What this article says is that Steve Witkoff, Marco Rubio—no one in his cabinet—opposed this. And actually, J.D. Vance himself, while he was cautious, didn't advise Donald Trump directly not to do it. So again, there's a lot of blame being shifted. But ultimately, what we see is—and this is my assessment—the U.S. and Israel came together, and Mossad, whoever within Israel's warmongering political establishment, they came together, they deliberated on this war, and essentially all of them said yes. And now the mainstream media is saying there are limits to the fact that everybody in Trump's cabinet were just yes-people.

Tulsi Gabbard, J.D. Vance—they're all yes-people, and we're seeing the limits of that, they're saying. But ultimately, this was an agreement. They all agreed on a miscalculation. They all agreed that, yes, U.S. military power—if it hit Iran hard enough, if it decapitated its leaders, if it sowed distrust and a lack of faith in the government's ability to protect Iranians—then Iranians would say, "Well, we just need the United States and Israel to install whoever they want so they can take control of the country, and therefore take control over the key of Asia, Eurasia, isolate Russia and China further, bring us democracy." And it really would be massive instability.

That's what the calculation was, right? They had all these massive objectives. Israel wants a greater Israel, unchecked. They want to make sure they don't have Iran—this massively powerful, independent country—supporting the axis of resistance, so they can keep going with Lebanon, keep going all across the region, occupying more of Syria, and so on. They can continue to erase Palestine without any challenge. That's what they wanted. And then, of course, the United States—what do they want? Well, they want Iran as a thorn in the side of the unipolar order of unfettered power.

Right. We have these LNG monopolies, we have Wall Street, the military-industrial complex—unfettered power, no challenges to any of that. They wanted Iran gone, and of course, that was part of getting to Russia and China. But all of that has backfired. All of that is now moot, and they're just admitting this now, in a way that helps with plausible deniability. Israel. Israel, Israel, Israel. And you even get this—mind you—look at this report. This is from the Huffington Post, paraphrased in a tweet. All right, so the Huffington Post published this about U.S. troops, which I can't corroborate. I can't say this is exactly why this is happening.

But what the Huffington Post is saying is that U.S. troops are experiencing sinking morale across the board, and this is playing a role in everything that's happening. Trump is caving because of it. Morale among U.S. troops has dropped to a new low as Trump's attempted blitzkrieg in the Persian Gulf turns into a bloody and costly quagmire. Successful Iranian attacks on U.S. bases in the Middle East have shattered the troops' confidence. One U.S. military official lamented that a ground operation against Iran would be an absolute disaster, pointing to the Pentagon's inability to protect its own assets in the region.

Many U.S. personnel are increasingly reluctant to do Netanyahu's bidding instead of serving their own country. "I'm hearing this from service members," one source said. In other words: we do not want to die for Israel. We do not want to die for politics. We do not want to be political pawns. That was from a U.S. veteran reservist who mentors younger officers. The executive director of the Center on Conscience and War announced a 1,000 percent increase in conscientious objector applications. The deadly strike on the girls' school in Manab, Iran, he noted, became a breaking point for many of these new applicants. Some service members also complained about the lack of a clear, consistent narrative justifying this war.

And as the Huffington Post put it, with the prospect of risking their lives in a poorly planned conflict for no identifiable strategic benefit, troops are left demoralized. So that's the situation within U.S. ranks. And can you really be surprised when Prince Sultan Air Base—the U.S. base there—and the bases in Kuwait and the UAE have their radars taken down? We've seen videos of U.S. personnel filming the radars and the bases being hit. They're right there. The Gerald Ford is out of commission for 12 to 14 months because of a fire that raged on for hours and hours. And we still don't know what the nature of that fire was. There's no confirmation that it was an Iranian attack, any kind of attack, or maybe even sabotage by the crew.

We know the Gerald Ford was already having plumbing problems, to the point where there might have been talk of a mutiny. So the Gerald Ford is out of commission. And we know that across the region, U.S. personnel are feeling a lack of morale. Look, when I was in Vietnam in 2023 with veterans, I knew someone who had a son in the U.S. Navy, and they were thinking of deploying to the Mediterranean. At that time—during the height of the genocide in Gaza, when it first began—I can tell you he said he was already hearing about low morale. There was fear that if Iran got involved in a conflict in 2023, they'd be risking their lives. So you don't think they're scared for their lives right now?

U.S. personnel have died. We don't know exactly how many. I think they said something like 14, 15, maybe 17—I don't know, it's within that range. But there have been hundreds injured. Israel has faced far more casualties—perhaps over a thousand, according to Iran—but at least 4,000-plus injured. They're seeing this, and they can't take hits like that. They can't take hits like that. The Israeli settlers, the U.S. military—they can't, because what seeing an F-35 down does, a KC-135 down does, F-15s down does—what that does is show that now you are not alone in holding such a superior advantage over your so-called adversary, so you can prevent any risk to yourself. And that is how the U.S. empire behaves.

The United States empire operates on the assumption that it is exceptional—that it has the capacity to destroy anything in its path, dominate anyone, anywhere, and do so without consequences that are measurable or significant. Right, so some are saying, "Okay, well, they can take the military humiliation for the gas profits and all of this." And I just don't agree with that assertion, because that assumes these two things aren't massively connected, and that Wall Street investors and all of this operate on a system that isn't built on massive exploitation. When that system gets disrupted, they begin to panic, and then they create massive crises for themselves. So, with Israel being out of interceptors, with Hezbollah and Iran coordinating strikes together, what we're seeing is the emergence of a massive military defeat—where Donald Trump's administration now intervenes and has to wonder how it's going to fix this situation, a situation that's unfixable.

How is it going to reopen the Strait of Hormuz, which is exactly what the United States keeps calling for, right? The United States wants the Strait of Hormuz reopened, okay? They want it reopened. Why? Because if Iran is able to dominate the Strait of Hormuz, then the U.S. loses that vaunted

“freedom of navigation,” which basically means the U.S. can dictate sea routes and trade routes across the oceans and ensure that Russia, China, Iran—anyone in the multipolar world—is isolated along these key, uh, maritime belts.

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It’s exactly what the U.S. wants. And so, the Strait of Hormuz being closed not only creates a short-term economic disruption and a massive increase in oil prices, but even if gas and oil profits rise in the short term because of those higher prices, in the long term what will happen—just as the Financial Times and the Wall Street Journal have already said—is that it’s going to create the largest oil-related economic crisis in history. That will eventually lead to a general economic recession, which will have massive impacts on the standard of living of people in the collective West, and that could lead to huge political consequences and a major crisis not only for the war effort but also for the very rule of these warmongers and neocons.

It’s all connected—none of it can be seen apart from the rest. You have to understand that. So, Donald Trump has set red lines that essentially put this war, as CNN is saying here—I’m going to show you—put this war on a course that can’t be changed. It’s a fateful course; it can’t be corrected either. I’m just going to go all the way to the end. Right, we’re approaching a decision point. OK, this is what a former head of the Iran branch of Israeli military intelligence said. And for the U.S., unfortunately, we don’t have good options—only bad ones. And these are the options.

Trump’s next move could be following through on his ultimatum. Nope, he caved on that one already. He could seek a deal with Iran, but its already radical regime has been further radicalized by the war—further radicalized by the war. That’s what this is. And yeah, the state of Iran, the Iranian government, is indeed more radical. They’re saying they’re on the offensive; they’re showing you they’re on the offensive. They’re conducting wave after wave, smashing Israel, depleting its air defenses, and demonstrating that when they said they have tens of thousands, if not more, missiles, they weren’t bluffing at all. Right? The U.S. estimates were 2,000, 2,500—and most of them were destroyed.

Their launchers and missile sites were destroyed during the 12-day war. Lies. Hasbara. That’s what the U.S. knows how to do—they know how to tell lies. They know how to sell you this narrative that Iran is weak. That’s what they were selling: Iran is weak, Iran can’t defend itself. Hey, look—look what happened to Syria. Look what happened to Nasrallah; he was killed. Look at what’s happened to Yemen. We bombed Yemen, and look—Yemen came up with a ceasefire with us back in early 2025, right? Over and over again, we were being sold the myth that the U.S. was on top and that Israel was on top—the Gaza genocide, all of it.

We were sold the idea that massacres, destruction, the ruining of infrastructure, and inflicting criminal pain—war crimes—on the people of this region, that’s power. We were sold that kidnapping Venezuela’s Nicolás Maduro is power. In truth, there is, of course, an element of power to it. The U.

S. can do this. The U.S. invests massive amounts of resources into intelligence operations targeting people like Maduro and, of course, into standoff—mostly standoff—weapons and aerial power to make this happen against a defenseless population. But it's power to confront those who've managed to build up capabilities to defend themselves.

No, there is no power there. Not to mention that even with the capacity to terrorize Venezuela, to cause blackouts in Cuba, to destroy Lebanon via Israel, to hit civilian infrastructure in Iran—which happened overnight—we saw strikes on civilian infrastructure in Iran. We saw explosions all across Tehran. And we're supposed to believe that because they can destroy thousands of residents' homes in Iran and kill innocent people, kill civilians, that's power? That that's going to change the calculus of the world? That's going to shape the world? No more. Now the world is moving away. They're moving away from this, and Iran is demonstrating that it has the capabilities to essentially wipe out the last vestiges of U.S. military dominance in this key region of the Middle East.

Throw out that national security strategy. Throw it out. Oh, we're going to pivot west, we're going to focus only on our hemisphere, and we're going to, of course, compete and try to confront China by strengthening the Western Hemisphere. No. This idea that just because Venezuela's oil is now being traded in larger amounts to the United States—with the U.S. holding what I believe is the illusion of control, because they do have to pay the Venezuelan government, they do have to ensure that the Venezuelan government is stable, which means Venezuela again has some leverage in what's going on there—that somehow this is going to lead to a huge boost in power for the U.S. empire. No. Iran has just burst asunder all of these lies—these lies of exception.

We're told over and over again that the U.S. empire is forever. But if the United States empire, if the warmongers, keep going in this direction, we're going to see the opposite effect become more and more visible with each passing day, week, and month. And if this goes on for years, you can forget about Russia. You can forget about China—especially, forget about it. People are worried that this is going to hurt China. China and Iran's cooperation is working out just fine right now. There are massive amounts of oil exports from Iran to China over this war period. China has years' worth of oil reserves. China has renewable energy far beyond anywhere else in the world. It dominates that sector, both domestically in its internal development and on the larger market.

If it speeds up renewable energy development because of this massive energy crisis, the world will say, "Give me more." And that's what it will do—it will dominate the energy sector. That's why you see no panic coming out of China, none whatsoever. You just see what usually comes out of China: a rejection of war, a rejection of this aggression, a call for the United States to halt, for Israel to halt these criminal strikes and this criminal aggression. But you don't see panic out of China—no panic moves. They just continue to do what they do. The same goes for Russia. They're watching on, watching the United States and Israel do what Napoleon essentially said centuries ago.

What did he say? He said, "Never interrupt your enemy when it's making a mistake." And the United States is making the most massive mistake, maybe in its history, when it comes to war. Because we

can go back to wars like Vietnam, Korea, Afghanistan, the war in Iraq, and say, okay, those were mistakes because they backfired and they lost. But they had specific objectives, right? The “seven countries in five years,” General Wesley Clark, and the war on terror, right? And all those objectives were at least met to some degree, even if they were done messy—like Libya and Syria—and it didn’t work out exactly as planned in five years. But nonetheless, that was pursued.

Regime change, regional dominance—with varying levels of success and many levels of failure. Vietnam, Korea—these wars were part of the Cold War against communism: isolate the Soviet Union, isolate China. No success there, of course, because those countries were able not only to sustain massive damage but also to build, at least in part or in full, sovereign states that are quite successful—especially in the case of Vietnam, and North Korea with a massive ICBM payload that can carry nuclear weapons capable of reaching the United States. And Vietnam, of course, is now one of the fastest-growing countries in Asia, despite having been totally destroyed by the United States just 50 or 60 years ago in terms of infrastructure. So this is worse.

This is far worse than a Vietnam scenario. Because if the United States—remember, Israel’s depletion of air defenses, the U.S.’s depleted air defenses all across the region, completely exposed, the empire completely naked—it’s now moving toward a possible, yes, a possible ground invasion of Kharg Island or the coast near the Strait of Hormuz. It’s unclear how this could even be possible, because that would mean the United States has to go into the Strait of Hormuz. Anti-ship missiles, mines—whatever you think Iran has, we know it at least has anti-ship missiles and mines. Whatever else you think it has, just assume it also has more missiles and drones. So essentially, that’s what the U.S. Navy and the Marines are going to face if they try to invade.

And then you have the situation where, even if there’s some kind of magical amphibious assault—which I don’t even know is possible—what are U.S. forces going to do there? They’d be sitting ducks on Iran’s territory, in terrain that’s completely unfavorable. It’s a disaster. Even CNN is saying it. Israel is saying it. There are no good options here. There’s only one option—one option. But that option completely obliterates American exceptionalism and the empire itself. And that is: come to the table with Iran, listen to what Iran is saying, and meet all or some—if not all—of those demands. Meet all of the most important ones, or at least some of them.

I don’t know how, uh, in a negotiation like that, how conciliatory Iran will be—likely not very. But ultimately, that’s the only option the United States has: talk to Iran and be ready to concede. And you might look at me like I’m crazy when I say this, but please tell me, what’s the other scenario? This is just the reality. It’s not as if Iran isn’t taking losses—tens of thousands of pieces of civilian infrastructure destroyed, thousands of people killed. That’s painful. My friend, Professor Rahman Rondi, is seeing and witnessing that pain every single day. People in Iran are witnessing it every single day.

But that doesn’t lead to defeat when you have thousands of Iranians every single day—women, children, families—out on the streets saying, “Get the F out of my country. Get out. Get out of my

country. Stop bombing our country.” You think you’re going to kill us? No. If you kill me, there’s going to be a million more. You kill me, there’s going to be two million more. They’re going to fight until this is over—until the United States can’t fight anymore, until Israel can’t fight anymore. Now you have the Gulf countries—did you hear this? The Gulf countries are now severing ties with Iran. Saudi-Iranian normalization is likely finished. The UAE is saying it’s going to go in militarily. Go right ahead. You already are. You already are.

These countries have already been participating in this. They’ve been involved since the very beginning. The Wall Street Journal reported that the Gulf countries are firing missiles from HIMARS launchers and others—firing missiles into Iranian territory. They’ve been involved from the start. So go right ahead. What are the UAE and Saudi Arabia really going to do militarily, other than what the U.S. has basically done and built for them? They’re U.S. puppets. They’re U.S. colonies. And now they’re paying the ultimate price. And if they get directly involved, what has Yemen said? Forget about it. The Red Sea—goodbye. Bab al-Mandab—forget it, Saudi Arabia.

You’re not shipping another barrel of oil through this route. They’re holding on to that card for as long as necessary to make sure that when it’s played, it exacts the maximum amount of pain. The maximum amount of pain. So I’ve got to tell you all, this situation is not only historic, but it’s a crisis of epic proportions. It’s one that—look, there are many people, like Professor Jiang, friend of the show, who have predicted this. I’ve been saying there’s been a war coming on Iran for many, many years. I knew when the U.S. was trying to destroy Syria and Libya—it’s all about Iran. And it’s all about control of Eurasia. And that’s all about the petrodollar.

It’s all about economic and military dominance for the U.S.—and of course, its primary and principal ally, quote-unquote, Israel. To keep that dominance and ensure full control of Eurasia, yeah, you need a strong, strong Israel. And you need U.S. military and economic preeminence and dominance. So Iran is in the way of that. Iran is in the way of that. Now, Iran has shown that it’s going to keep being in the way of that—that you’re not going to destroy Iran into submission. Iran is going to take the hits and come out politically stronger. Not this “radical regime” stuff—no, the people there are going to be politically stronger. They’re just going to have a harder time economically.

But people—mind you, people—when their sovereignty, their independence, when the future of their societies is placed under threat, especially when those societies are built on something just, something that actually builds morale—like independence, like self-determination—people can withstand a lot. Ask the Vietnamese. Ask the Koreans. Ask people all over the world. Ask the Cubans right now, right? Because they’ve been resisting since 1959, under some of the worst economic conditions, and with U.S. terrorism being waged against them. So we can see millions of people—we can see people all around the world. This is history. I’ve shown that if the cause, if their freedom, if their self-determination is part of the equation, then yeah, they have the morale.

I was talking to my wife about this. I said, just look at the difference between how Iranians are reacting to strikes that affect their very lives and livelihoods—their infrastructure, their homes, their

children being massacred. Look at how they're reacting to that versus how Israel is reacting to Iran every single day, every few hours, especially during prime-time hours—launching waves against military targets that, of course, end up hitting civilian areas and settler zones, because Israel is a very tiny, tiny entity that essentially has all of its military arsenal concentrated. I told you about the Mona.

Dimona is just a military site. If there are any residents there, they're all either connected to the shady nuclear program they have going on over there—helping sustain their nuclear weapons program—or they're directly involved. So there really is no separation between the Israeli military state and the so-called settler civilians. There's no separation. If you're there, if you're living there on Palestinian land, there is, of course, mandatory military service, reservist service. But if you're living there, especially in Dimona, you're most likely involved. So Iran is hitting military targets. And look how Israelis are reacting.

They're running in the streets, they're panicking. Every time a siren goes off, they rush—or try to rush—into a bunker. Look at Netanyahu. He's not dead. I was wondering if he was dead in a previous program. He may not be dead, but he is the leader of what he calls a global power. And where is he? He's constantly hiding. He just canceled the meeting he was supposed to have in Hungary. He's hiding—every single minute of every single day. Iran has said they have intelligence on where all Israeli personnel are, and he's scared. He's scared for his life, and he doesn't care one ounce about Israelis themselves.

Not even the settlers. He doesn't even care about them. But this is how U.S. elites—this is how Israeli elites—this is how they think. They only think about themselves and their interests. They don't care about the people or the consequences. Which is why those who have said, "Okay, well, the oil and gas profits, that's massively important." Yeah, it is—and they're going to make a killing. So they don't care about the consequences in the short term. But mind you, you still have this contradiction where they might be raking in profits from higher oil prices. But then what's happening? They're panicking about the longer-term, medium-term consequences.

They're panicking because they can't overthrow Iran. They're panicking that the economic crisis will lead to so much disruption that the very foundation—the petrodollar system itself—is under threat. Especially when you have Iran saying that maybe the toll on the Strait of Hormuz will include having to sell whatever you're shipping through the Strait, in terms of energy, in Chinese yuan—Chinese RMB. Right? So yeah, the long-term consequences are massive here. The situation is dire. It's not a good one for the U.S. or the Israeli regime, no matter how you look at it.

It's a crisis of historically epic proportions, and I cannot stress that enough. I cannot stress this enough. And there's no opposition to it within Israel or within the U.S. establishment. Israel—forget about it. Israel is what it is. But even in the U.S. establishment, you have Tulsi Gabbard, who just recently submitted a DNI report to Donald Trump at the beginning of his administration, saying Iran does not have nuclear capabilities, that it is not a threat to the U.S. And then when Ossoff

questioned her, she said, "I have no access to that information. Only Donald Trump is allowed to talk about who is a threat to the United States."

Well, then what is U.S. intelligence for? Disband it. We should be disbanding the CIA and U.S. intel anyway, because they're just terrorists all across the world. Disband them. Tulsi Gabbard just said she's not even necessary, which means the intelligence agencies responsible for the world—the CIA, DIA, whatever—they're worthless. Donald Trump, he's the guy. He determines who's a threat. So let's just talk to Donald Trump. Let's just talk to Donald Trump about threats. Okay, again, mind you, the United States, given its imperial position, given its geography, doesn't really have, quote-unquote, many threats—or any threats—in terms of foreign military intervention.

There's no country that wants to fight the United States thousands upon thousands of miles away and waste all those resources there. No. That's why China and Russia have built nuclear deterrence. That's why they have nuclear weapons—because they know if the U.S. is insane enough to try to confront them, it's likely going to go nuclear. The U.S. can't do it over there, and China and Russia aren't going to do it over here. So they're going to defend themselves with nuclear weapons, and the U.S. knows it's likely to use a nuclear option if its hegemony is threatened—not even by military power, but through the development of these countries.

And now Iran is the key cog in all of this, everybody. It is the key cog in all of this. All of this is about Iran's capabilities. I've said this for years and years now, and it's bearing fruit in the most intense way. I've said that Iran's sovereignty, its self-determination, its capabilities—its ability to defeat sanctions, its ability to be a major player in the multipolar world—really make it the third most important BRICS country. Let's be quite honest about this. India? No. I've always said this. And it's not just because I have massive disagreements with India's political system, but also because of its economy.

It's not under sanctions, and it essentially sanctions itself. It skipped industry—it's basically a huge service economy. Its growth is mostly low value-added. So India is not really a player, despite its massive population and its growth. Iran, on the other hand, is playing such a historically significant political role that it's really the third most important BRICS country. Because if Iran goes, then yeah, the world situation becomes less favorable to Russia and China—although I don't think it would be a massive game changer. I think those two countries have the military and economic capabilities to weather these kinds of storms.

But life can get harder, especially on the political front, the geopolitical front, the world front—trying to build this new world. Yeah, if Iran falls, the multipolar world slows down. It's arrested to a certain degree, because it's over 90 million people who are staunchly, fervently committed to their sovereignty. They have a vision very similar to Russia and China—a vision of a more just world order where sanctions, military threats, and aggression aren't how humans develop and organize themselves. Where people aren't just bandied about and led around by elites to either be slaughtered or live miserable lives, which is what the collective West is, right?

You either go and get slaughtered or slaughter others, right? Participate in this military machine. Or you live a half-life, you know? Some are able to live slightly better lives, but ultimately the vast majority in the U.S. are living very difficult lives—skyrocketing mental health issues, skyrocketing cost of living. Mental health problems, suicide, addictions—all of them are rising fast. You still have a massive prison population, massive poverty, homelessness, all of this huge crisis. The cost of living is through the roof. Inflation is expected to go up 3% or 5% by the end of this month.

So that includes things like food and essential staples, because when the oil crisis hits, everything goes up. Oil doesn't just determine how goods are distributed—you need oil to ship the goods, to fly the goods, to move the goods—but oil also produces a lot of goods. So the U.S. is shooting itself in the foot. The empire has shot itself in the foot. This moment right now is historic, historically significant. We're seeing a single country and a broader resistance demonstrating the capacity to stand up to the empire in a way it hasn't faced in a very, very long time. And given Iran's capabilities, this direct confrontation—right?

Remember, in June 2025, the U.S. supported that and, of course, was a big part of the 12-day war. But the U.S.—until the B-2 bombers came and said they struck all the nuclear sites—well, now we're seeing maybe there was a lot more to that than was believed before. Maybe they were standing off. Maybe they didn't hit directly. Maybe those bunker busters didn't actually damage very much. So there are a lot of questions about that. It was said to be obliterated, and then suddenly, a couple of months later, we're talking about Iran's nuclear capabilities again. So there's a lot of fog of war around that. But we know the U.S., up until that point in the 12-day war, right?

Day 11, 12. Uh, we know that the United States was saying, "Okay, this is Israel's thing. This is Israel's thing, right? We're pushing them, we're helping them and all that, but it's Israel's thing." This is the U.S. confronting Iran directly—for months now, since the color revolution attempts, or the attempted riots. Since then, this is Iran confronting the U.S. empire directly. And we've seen all the massive damage done to the sites, to the bases, to the radar systems, to the THAADs, to everything. And the U.S. mainstream media is now admitting this. The energy sites—we saw what Iran did just 72 hours ago, three, four days ago.

They hit the energy in the region hard. So when Donald Trump said, "Okay, we're going to hit your electrical grid and force you to reopen the Strait of Hormuz by turning out your lights," Iran said, "We're going to turn out the lights in the entire region, in the settler colony. And guess what? We don't rely on that. We rely on river water, dam water—we rely on water sources that aren't desalination plants. So if you hit us like this, you have that major weakness. You have this major weakness that will be exploited by Iran." Sorry—that's what Iran said. And Trump had to cave. Trump had to cave over this. I was talking to people about this yesterday.

I said, the reason why the settler colony has to rely on desalination—the reason why the Gulf countries have to—is because they're all neo-colonies, and they've all been developed in a very crude way. The settler colony has to concentrate all of its, um, resources into something like

desalination because of its geographic location and the way it's developed itself. And of course, the Gulf countries, given their geographic location and the fact that they've developed themselves into what neo-colonies always do—the U.S. and the foreign powers, the Western powers—what do they do?

They say, "We want all the capital—whatever capital exists, whatever we do in this region—it's got to be in the cities. It's got to be in one city. It's got to be in Dubai. It's got to be in Doha. It's got to be in Riyadh. Everything else? Forget about it. No, no, forget about it. We don't need any development there. People can live in squalor." So that's why you have concentrated resources in very tiny places, no matter how big these Gulf countries are. That's why they're sitting ducks. That's why they can't defend themselves. That's why they don't have militaries that can fight worth a damn. That's why they're no threat to Iran—because the U.S. turned them into neocolonies long ago.

Decades, right? Decades. And there are people who believed—and I don't blame them—that Saudi or the UAE, by joining BRICS, were showing they were diversifying their economic pool and maybe exerting some sovereignty. And look, in some ways, that's kind of true. But it was really just based on necessity. They need Russia, China, and BRICS in order to ensure that even their leadership survives another day—that they don't end up under the gun of their own people for providing such a miserable standard of living. So they need to diversify, and they want to get rich too. They don't want Russia and China to stop trading with them at a higher level.

They want those finance and investment opportunities coming to them because they know the U.S. isn't providing them. But it has no bearing on their political sovereignty or independence. And that's why we're seeing the Gulf countries now, one by one, saying, "Yeah, Iran, we're ready to die for the U.S. and Israel. That's what we're ready to do." That's what every single country in the Gulf's leadership is doing—these monarchies that have absolutely no legitimacy in the eyes of their own people. That's what they're doing. And can you be surprised by this? No, we can't be surprised by this, because the U.S. and Israel have done this by design. But it's no thing for Iran. Iran is going to keep doing what it's doing.

We're going to continue to provide updates about what Iran is doing and, of course, what is happening in this war, because that is what's being stripped from us. We're being stripped of the reality of the situation. How many days into this war have we been told that Iran's capabilities are about to run out? This was supposed to last three or four days, and then after that period, what did the U.S. and Israel say? "Ah, we got them all. The interceptors, the air defenses, the missiles—they're gone." And then we come to find out, actually, a lot of Iran's missiles are fired from 500 meters underground. You're not getting rid of that. You're not getting rid of that with your JDAMs, your Aegis, your Tomahawks. They're not getting rid of that.

Drop them all you want. Drop them on the decoys, drop them wherever you want. Kill all the civilians, but you're not going to hit those capabilities they prepared for you. This is what the United States is facing. They're facing an empire. They're facing a country that was ready to confront the

empire. That's what they're facing, and they don't know what to do about it. Without further ado, everyone, these daily updates will continue every single day. I want to thank everyone who gave memberships, who sent a super chat, and who sent a super sticker. I want to thank everyone here. Thanks—everything you say is on target. We appreciate it. Thank you so much. And I want to thank all of you. Danny Haiphong is losing his marbles.

Where are the Dems that were so eager to impeach him? The Democrats are always willing to stand with their so-called adversary, Donald Trump, when it comes to war. I want to point you to when the Trump administration, in 2017, launched Tomahawk missiles at Syria after a chemical weapons attack that was fraudulently blamed on the Syrian government—when really it was their U.S.-sponsored terrorists who were doing it. But anyway, in Duma, they launched those Tomahawk missiles. And what did Brian Williams say on MSNBC? He said, "Look at those beautiful weapons." And then what did Van Jones say? "Oh, Donald Trump is my president now."

This is the mentality of an empire—a warmongering machine that only cares about how many wars it can wage, how many trillions it can get invested into this war machine so it can satisfy the interests of Wall Street, the major monopolies, the capitalists, the profiteers. That's what wars are for. That's who they're for. And that's why Donald Trump is not being challenged inside. They're only challenging him right now based on how he's doing this—how he was doing it. He's doing it. They're losing. The U.S. is losing. So, of course, how he's doing this is said to be the big problem, not the actual war. Without further ado, everybody, that's it for me today. Hit the like button as you go.

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