

Nima R. Alkhorshid: US Bases & Airport HIT!

Iran RETALIATES

#Nima

Hi, everybody. Today's Wednesday, June 3rd, 2026, and I'm here to talk about what happened last night between Iran and the United States. There was some sort of fighting happening last night, and all of a sudden it happened. You remember I was repeating that this blockade is going to escalate, and escalate so fast, because Iran is not happy with the situation with the blockade. So as time goes by, we're going to have these sorts of escalations happening between Iran and the United States. I don't know what the tolerance would be on the part of the Iranians and the United States. How long is it going to be like this? And Donald Trump, after this sort of fight, said that the ceasefire is still in place, that the reality didn't change about the ceasefire.

Nobody knows what that means anymore because the two sides are fighting each other. And the United States, what happened last night was the United States attacking one of the Iranian oil tankers in the Persian Gulf and a telecommunication tower in Qeshm, in the southern part, in the Strait of Hormuz, one of those cities in the Strait of Hormuz. So it's Qeshm Island. They call it Qeshm Island. It's an island. Then the Iranian response was immediate. They attacked the American bases in Kuwait and Bahrain. The American 5th Fleet in Bahrain was attacked by Iranians. And since the war started between Iran and the United States, they removed many of this equipment in these bases in Bahrain and Kuwait and put them in some other places in the country.

Nobody's talking about that. The United States is not willing to talk about it. Iranians are not that clear about what's going on with their operation. But what we've learned so far is that Iran has hit the airport in Bahrain and in Kuwait, which was important because the United States is using these airports to send many things — these refueling tankers, much of this equipment, these weapons that are getting to the region are going through these airports. Because they're not using their air bases anymore, they're using the airports in Kuwait and other countries to send the weapons there in the Middle East. The other important point right now is when you compare the amount of weapons the United States has right now in West Asia, in GCC countries.

I'm talking about GCC countries, just ignoring, putting Israel aside. All of them together. The Iranian assessment is they have more weapons today than they had before this war started. You know, the United States was preparing before February 28th, sending a lot of weapons, everything to the region. And the Iranian assessment right now is they're sending more. They have more weapons right now if they decide to start a new round of war. So Iran is getting prepared. They have been preparing since the ceasefire started. That's why they immediately attacked these bases in these countries. They hit many targets.

We don't know exactly because there is censorship in these GCC countries, basically Bahrain and Kuwait, which were the targets of these attacks. What we've learned from Bahrain is that they have arrested some people there. They say that these Shias are using or somehow reporting what's going on there. That's why we would never learn about what has happened unless the United States decides to talk about it. And Iranians know, but they don't... You know, we had the announcement from the IRGC, but they were not that clear about what they've done so far. We know that they hit some targets. They said they hit the U.S. Fifth Fleet or other targets.

Even they had, you know, they have published a list of those targets in the region, but I think what's important to know is that in the last 24 hours, four Kuwaiti cargo aircraft have landed at Kuwait International Airport. These are the signs for Iranians that the United States is sending more weapons and the Kuwaiti government is helping the United States. But the main point of attacking these two countries, as the Iranian foreign minister has announced, is because these attacks originated from Kuwait and Bahrain. That's why Iran started attacking them. So as the war is going on, I think the calculation on the part of the United States is to put pressure by the use of the blockade.

You remember Donald Trump announced two, three days ago that he's going to lift the blockade in the Strait of Hormuz. Then later on, the same day, he came out and said, no, that's not going to happen, because Iran is not agreeing on the terms that they had agreed on based on the messages they're sending back and forth. But the problem is, Donald Trump is just making things up. He thinks that in his recent interview, he's talking about meeting with the Supreme Leader of Iran. How can someone believe what this guy is talking about? He said that he's prepared to talk with him, you know, have a meeting with him.

He's prepared to do that. This is part of the manipulation that he's trying to do, or he's delusional, or he's trying to make some sort of, I don't know. I, at this particular moment, at this stage that we are in with the conflict, I don't see any sort of positive effect for Donald Trump by arguing these sorts of allegations or saying that I'm going to meet with the Supreme Leader. He killed his father. The current Supreme Leader of Iran has lost all members of his family during the war. How can someone imagine that he's going to meet with Donald Trump? They don't see, you know, even, you remember the former leader of Iran when the Japanese prime minister went to Iran with a letter from Donald Trump during his first term in office.

The Iranian Supreme Leader said, no, we're not going to—I'm not going to open up the letter. I don't care about what Donald Trump is talking about. But respecting what you're doing as the Prime Minister of Japan, I'm going to talk to you. Whatever you have, we can negotiate, we can talk. But I have no message for that guy—meaning Donald Trump. So there is no respect toward Donald Trump. They don't care about what Donald Trump is talking about. The only reason that they're

negotiating right now is because Iran feels that maybe they can reduce the damage, they can reduce the problems that they're facing right now by these sorts of messages. There are no negotiations going on.

But these messages, basically they're written messages sent by the Pakistani government back and forth. That's all. If they're not getting there, Iran is going to do it on the battlefield. We had the head of the Iranian parliament saying and mentioning, we are not negotiating with the United States. This is a very important point, that there are no negotiations going on. And since yesterday and the day before, when they started to attack Dahia in Lebanon, Iran just stopped talking with the United States or sending messages to the United States. There is nothing going on right now. No messages, no talks, indirect or direct talks, nothing. Nothing is happening as we talk today. So there is no communication between the two sides.

And Donald Trump is talking about meeting with the Supreme Leader of Iran. This is just beyond ridiculous. And he feels that he can manipulate the United States or the people are going to—that's not going to change the reality. And these attacks that happened last night, they just influenced the market, the stock market of GCC countries. And you see a fall in those stocks. And these GCC countries, they don't know what to do. They're desperate. They say they want to put an end to the conflict, but they're facilitating American policy by sending more weapons to the region. They're accepting that. The United States is sending those weapons to all these countries. They're sending them to Saudi Arabia, the UAE, Kuwait, Bahrain—all of them, Jordan.

These countries are participating or doing whatever the United States is asking for. They know the reality is going to hit them. The more they accept these weapons, the more they're going to get hit by Iranian weapons, by Iranian missiles, Iranian drones. Iran has very precise and accurate intelligence coming out of these countries. So because it's not all about Iran, it's because the population, the public opinion, is not happy with the decision makers, with these GCC leaders. That's why they don't want this sort of policy. They don't want to be part of this war. They don't want to facilitate the attack on the Iranian people. Because they can see the case of Gaza—the reality has changed since the war in Gaza started.

Shia and Sunni are coming together. We have some sort of unity between the two sects, these two, I would say, these two manufactured sect parts of Islam are coming together. The people are coming together. That doesn't mean that the leaderships are getting together. Maybe finally this public opinion is going to bring leadership in the GCC countries and in Iran together, but that's not going to happen anytime soon because they're mostly dependent. Their economy is dependent on the United States. They don't have it. That's why you see the UAE running out of cash in 39 days of war. The reality is this for them: they have to do whatever the United States is asking for. And that means new escalation.

That means new devastations to the whole region. That means that they're not going to be able to send their oil and gas and fertilizers, helium, all of these things that they're exporting. And basically,

out of these things, they're importing everything. Everything. So they're totally dependent on the outside world. But the outside world is somehow blocked by the Iranian blockade in the Strait of Hormuz. They have their problems—Saudi Arabia much less than other countries, because they have some sort of access to the Red Sea. But the reality is so dire in Qatar, for example. That's why, in the aftermath of these attacks—American attack and retaliation on the part of Iran—you see Saudi Arabia condemning the Iranian attack.

And they're not talking about anything about the United States attacking an Iranian tanker or attacking an Iranian island. Are they going to change their behavior? No sign that Saudi Arabia is changing its behavior, at least the way they're condemning Iran that is responding. Iran is not attacking these countries; it is retaliating. That's the reality. They have the upper hand right now against Israel, against all of these GCC countries who are trying to facilitate a new round of American attacks on Iran. Iran knows everything that's going on there. That's why you see the head of the Iranian parliament saying, not only will we negotiate, we have to decide about the outcome of these negotiations, these talks, whatever, these messages or some sort of document between Iran and the United States.

It's going to be a one-page document because there is nothing more than that to be discussed. Nothing was discussed so far. And it's some sort of messaging. I don't see anything positive coming out of this. But after all, let's assume they're going to get something. Is that going to be meaningful for the region? No. Saudi Arabia knows that. All of these countries know that. And that's why Qatar didn't, you know, when these attacks last night happened, they didn't condemn. They said that we have to bring the region together. We have to do something else. So they're trapped. The GCC countries are trapped. Their economy is 100% dependent on the United States. Saudi Arabia tried to do something with China, but I don't think that was that much successful.

And basically, their economy is all in New York. They don't have it in Riyadh or other capitals in the GCC countries. It's all dependent on the United States. So these are not real countries. These are vassals. And Iran, sooner or later, they're coming to this sort of understanding that if we attack them, if their economy is under tremendous pressure, if they were attacked for 40 days of war and they're still facilitating or helping the United States or accepting more weapons on their territories, what is the point of talking with these countries? Are they going to learn anything? Is there any sort of learning curve? Or just nothing is happening? This is the desperation.

They cannot sell oil and gas. They're somehow between Iran and the United States. Iran is controlling the Strait of Hormuz, and the United States is putting pressure on their economy. Both sides are putting pressure on their economy. And they have some sort of solution. Saudi Arabia could have been part of BRICS, and they're basically saying they're part of BRICS, but they're not participating. They're not going to any of these summits that BRICS has. So I don't see that much negotiation or any outcome from these negotiations. The United States is just dragging this war on and on with the blockade. Donald Trump is asking just how ridiculous things are getting. Imagine Donald Trump.

The United States is asking Iran to reveal the location of 60% enriched uranium before negotiating with Iran. They're messaging right now. They're sending messages. It says, if you want to negotiate, you have to reveal, you have to disclose the location of 60% enriched uranium. You're not going to get it. And that never would happen. Never. That's why Iran is talking about, we have to be prepared. We are negotiating. We are talking. We are sending messages. But we are prepared for war. This is reaching peace through war. This is the strategy. The new strategy we are on today is that you cannot get anything by these negotiations. You have to fight back. That's why they're attacking GCC countries in response to what the United States is doing.

The United States is using Qatar, Bahrain, Saudi Arabia, all of these countries. They're gathering information in these countries to attack Iran. So what else can Iran do? Just remember two days ago, they wanted to level Dahieh in the southern part of Beirut. What was the Iranian reaction? They said, if you do this, we're going to do the same to the northern part of Israel. We're going to level the northern part of Israel. So if you're willing to do that, that would be the Iranian response. Then Donald Trump said, I called Benjamin Netanyahu, Axios reported, and yesterday, or just today, the interview came out with Donald Trump accepting or somehow confirming what was mentioned in that Axios report, that he called Benjamin Netanyahu.

What the F are you doing? What do you think? You would have been in prison if I... You know, this is the reality of... And these are jokes. Who cares about what is happening to Benjamin Netanyahu in Israel? Nobody cares about Benjamin Netanyahu, what's going on in Israel. What matters the most is that the United States has to put pressure. If they're willing to reach any sort of agreement with Iran, they have to put pressure on Israel to withdraw from the southern part of Lebanon. They have to withdraw totally. There would be no deal without achieving that. There would be no agreement. Benjamin Netanyahu today had an interview. He said that he thinks that by putting pressure on Iran, basically, he's mentioning the blockade.

By the continuation of the pressure on Iran, on the Iranian people, the Iranian economy, the agenda would be empowering Iranian people, sending them everything they need to overthrow the government, to topple the government in Iran. The guy is so desperate in his own country, and the people are attacking him right and left, and he wants to do regime change in Iran. And this delusional guy is the same guy who was selling regime change before this war started. I don't know how the intelligence community anymore is listening to this guy in the United States. What is the point of listening to Benjamin Netanyahu and Mossad at this point? Donald Trump is calling—if he called Benjamin Netanyahu the way it was mentioned and he confirmed—this is not because of what Benjamin Netanyahu is doing.

Because if that was the case, they were asking Benjamin Netanyahu to withdraw from Lebanon instead of staying there and trying to capture more land in their imaginary world, which is not happening. Just looking at the Israeli soldiers in the southern part of the world, they're sitting ducks. They're hitting them. Hezbollah is hitting them with these drones, many. Today we've learned at

least seven operations were done, basically destroying this gathering of Israeli soldiers and the communication systems, air defense systems they have in the southern part of Lebanon. They're not going to back down. And Benjamin Netanyahu knows that. And the moment the United States leaves the region, that would be a huge loss for Benjamin Netanyahu. Because let's assume it's all fake.

Donald Trump didn't do that, didn't call Benjamin Netanyahu, didn't talk to him the way it was mentioned in the Axios report and the way Donald Trump confirmed it. But just mentioning that and the reflection, the repercussion in the Israeli media, is just humiliating for Benjamin Netanyahu, what's going on. Imagine what this guy was before the war started. He was all great, powerful. The fall of Bashar Assad and the acts of resistance are just done. They have nothing to say anymore. He gave Donald Trump that walkie-talkie, that golden opportunity, that device to Donald Trump—those devices that were exploited in the hands of the Hezbollah leadership, because some part of these assassinations were done with the explosives in these devices that Hezbollah used for communications.

So he was so drunk with his victory in Syria, in Lebanon. So let's go after Iran. Just imagine that guy and the guy today. He's just begging. He's begging the United States to stay in the region. He's begging for more weapons. He's begging because their air defense system is not working anymore. The THAAD system is not working. Patriot, PAC-3, they don't have the interceptors to send to Israel to improve their stockpile. And if Iran decides—that's the reason that Benjamin Netanyahu backed down yesterday or the day before yesterday with the Iranian attack. He said, if you attack Hezbollah, if you attack Doha, we're going to attack you. But they don't have the interceptors.

They don't have the air defense system to defend themselves. They don't have it. They failed to intercept Hezbollah's rockets that are going to the northern part of Israel. Iron Dome is failing over and over again. This is the situation Benjamin Netanyahu is in right now. There is no way, and there is a lot of pressure in Israel because of what's going on in the northern part of Israel. Since October 2023, when the war started and Hezbollah started attacking the northern part of Israel, these people are moving down to other cities from the northern part of Israel. So they don't have their homes. They don't have their jobs, nothing. The economy is under tremendous pressure—the Israeli economy. But you see, the stock market of Israel is just booming.

It's just getting better and better. Because the stock market is all fake. And it's all about the surveillance and these spying devices that Israel is producing. Maybe the market for these devices is good. That's why the stock market, considering these sorts of weapons, is good for Israel, that they're selling to other countries. But other than that, the economy is not working. Tourism is not there anymore for Israel. People are under tremendous pressure. If Iran attacks Israel again, they have to get back to their basements. So are they willing to go in that direction? No. Benjamin Netanyahu knows that. That's why in his recent interview, he's again talking about regime change, not by the United States and Israel.

And the reporter asked him, you said before this war started, we're going to do regime change in Iran. What has happened? He was simply denying that. He said, no, that wasn't the main objective. We didn't want to do that. We wanted to go and destroy the Iranian nuclear program. He's making things up. The guy is so desperate. And he feels right now, he thinks, with this operation, with these vassals they have, all these Persian media outside of Iran, they're all paid by Israelis, by the NGOs, by the NGOs close to Israel. And they think that they can continue with the same sort of agenda. One of them is Iran International. This Iran International, mostly, everything they say, every day, every moment, they behave as the speaker of Mossad and the speaker of Israel.

All their programs are about just bringing down and destroying Iran. The economy should be destroyed. If you destroy the economy, if you destroy the people, the society, then you can bring down the Iranian government. They don't care about the Iranian people. They don't care about schools, hospitals, bridges, infrastructure. These are not Iranian. They speak Persian, but nobody considers them as Iranian. They're basically means of massacre. Mossad is using them to manipulate Iranian society. But the problem this time around, and you remember, they have received \$830 million. Before, in January 2026, we had some sort of protest in Iran. You all remember that.

Before those protests happened, Iran International received \$830 million as some sort of aid to the channel, because they were doing the job for the Israelis. They were manipulating society in Iran. This is the agenda of Mossad, and Iran International is doing that for them. So they're getting back. Benjamin Netanyahu has failed totally. Let me put it this way: they're not going to be able to start a war against Iran without the United States today. They don't have the capabilities to defend themselves. They're naked as we talk today. And Iran knows that. Iran knows that. That's why, when they're asking with these negotiations, Israelis are just crying out. These Zionists in Israel are just crying out.

Why do we need to connect what's going on between the United States and Iran to what's going on between Israel and Lebanon? Why do we need to make some sort of deal in Lebanon? You can make a deal just between Iran and the United States. They're just crying out. But this is not in the hands of the United States anymore. The United States started a war on the basis of the delusional sort of mindset of Benjamin Netanyahu and his Mossad. And they were defeated. Simple as that. The United States was defeated in the Persian Gulf. That's why they're begging the UN to open up the Strait of Hormuz. If you're powerful, if you're the biggest navy on earth, why do you need to beg Europeans to come help you open up the Strait of Hormuz? Why do you need the UN to help you?

Do you care about the UN? When you decided to attack Iran, where was the UN? Where was international law? Everything, everything. Just imagine what has happened since Donald Trump took power in the United States. Each and every step by the administration, when it comes to Greenland, when it comes to Canada, to Mexico, to Venezuela, Cuba, the attack on Iran—everything they do is against international law. But right now they're asking for the closure of the Strait of Hormuz against international law. You cannot do that. Nobody would support you. Who cares about what you're

talking about anymore? And where is international law when you are killing so many people? In 39 days of war, less than 20 people were killed in GCC countries that Iran was attacking.

Because the main objective of the Iranian attacks, they basically were close to the American bases or some military bases in these countries that were hit, or they got influenced or somehow killed by the Iranian attacks. Less than 20 people. How many people were killed in Iran? Something like 3,500 people were killed. Are the Iranian people going to ignore what has happened during the war? There is no way to ignore that. There is no way to ignore the devastation of this war. They're saying that we are in this war, so we're going to get through it by negotiation, through war, but they have to withdraw from Lebanon. They have to stop attacking Gaza and the West Bank. Today, just imagine what has happened to the West Bank. They're burning agricultural land in the West Bank. Look at the footage.

#Nima

This is the reality. This is the West Bank. This is the land of Mahmoud Abbas, who was supposed to support the Palestinian people. He's just sitting there, doesn't care about what's going on. And Israel is just burning, capturing more land, and nothing. And today we've seen the smotherage coming out and showing the map of Israel, and basically they're officializing the annexation of the West Bank. They're burning everything. They don't want these people there. And they want to do the same in Lebanon. That's not going to happen anymore. And Israel is not even close, or they can be delusional about their power in the Middle East.

Some people are trying to say Israel is going to be the sole superpower in the Middle East. These are the sort of lies that they're selling people. They don't have it. Physically, they don't have it. The society in Israel is totally fractured. And they know as time goes by, their economy is not going to get back anytime soon. The people, the desperation in Israel, the fight within the society is going on and on. We don't have to be delusional. We have to know that it doesn't matter if Benjamin Netanyahu is in Israel, is the Prime Minister of Israel or not. Whoever comes next is going to be the same way. That's why we have to stop dreaming about changes in Israel.

What is important is the acts of resistance coming together and making some sort of grand strategy, as we see happening right now with the Iranian new attitude. You want to make some sort of agreement, putting an end to the war in Lebanon, withdrawing from Lebanon, and then with the case of Gaza and the West Bank, they have to do something about it. And I think for the case of Gaza, they need to bring, because Turkey, Egypt, and all of these GCC countries signed an agreement, signed some sort of ceasefire with the United States, which somehow complicates the Iranian interference in this. So let's see what would happen with the case of Gaza and how other countries are willing to come to put pressure or somehow talk with the United States.

But there has to be some sort of global understanding in the Middle East, in West Asia. And I see, I think there is no other way for GCC countries. That's why it doesn't matter how much pressure the

United States is putting on these countries. They're going to be dependent on Iran forever. Forever. Whoever wants to use the Strait of Hormuz would be dependent on Iran. And if they're dependent on Iran, they have to understand, they have to reassess, they have to redefine their policies in West Asia, not only with the American bases, but also in Gaza and Lebanon. The time is for action right now, not talking. You have to do something if you're willing to do something for the people in Palestine.

You have to do, you have to show. And this is, I think, the path forward if GCC countries decide to do something for the Palestinian people. Together with Turkey, we have to remember Turkey is so important. Erdogan is talking about, you know, putting pressure on these people, even with the attacks. We had the foreign minister of Turkey saying that the problem is Israel. The problem is not Iran or what's going on in Israel, and Israel is manipulating. But you have to show that. You have to do something about it. Put pressure on Israel if you feel that way. Do something about it. Be honest in the way you behave. You're talking so beautifully somehow, but when it comes to doing something, you're doing nothing.

There is no interpretation between what you're talking and what you're doing. And I think Turkey needs to do more. I would argue, if only Turkey and Iran came together, if Turkey got closer to the Iranian position about the people in Gaza, the people in the West Bank, the people of Palestine, and in the case of Lebanon, and in the case of Syria—we know that Turkey wants to do something in Syria—so do it together. Come together. But that's not going to happen. You see, I think this is some sort of wishful thinking, these two countries, Turkey and Iran, coming together. Maybe something would happen in the near future as they see the balance of power changing in the Middle East.

And Iran, on the part of Iranians, the head of the Iranian parliament said he's going to be the head of Iranian economic affairs with China. And there is a tremendous sort of movement happening right now between Iran and China. And since the war started, they're deepening the relationship between Iran and China. We know how close Russia and Iran are today, and the same thing is happening between Iran and China. That's why the head of the Iranian parliament right now is in contact, is the head of the negotiating delegation with China. So this is the policy of Iran today—fighting against the United States and confronting the United States because they see no outcome from negotiations or talks. It doesn't matter.

Show us where your 60% enriched uranium is. We're going to bomb you again. The moment you tell us, we're going to bomb you again. We're going to start a new round of war. Are they stupid? Do you really believe that they're stupid enough to talk, to show you where they put it? Because they did the operation in the southern part of Iran because of that. They thought they were going to go there, into the nuclear facility, and grab the enriched uranium, or at least 50%, 30% of the enriched uranium, which failed. If you cannot do it militarily, you may negotiate. You may somehow, as they did before with the JCPOA. Those days are gone. Iran has signed the JCPOA, but they're not willing to sign it again.

Those days are gone. This is the new reality, a new calculation on the part of Iran, a new strategy. The strategy toward the United States is confrontation. Confrontation means fighting the United States in the Persian Gulf. They know that they're capable of fighting back. They know, they understood, they didn't want this war. They were of some sort, because when you talk, you remember what the atmosphere was before this war started. Many people were arguing Iran is just a little country. Look at the military budget. Even Saudi Arabia, ten times the budget—their defense budget is ten times the defense budget of Iran. How can a country like Iran defend itself against the United States, together with Israel and with the cooperation of GCC countries?

You remember when they were sending all these aircraft carriers to the region. Oh, so we're going to—this is the end for Iran. Did that happen? No. And Iran knows that. And those people who were doubtful in Iran, mostly those people who were willing to negotiate—let's negotiate, because if they attack us, we're going to be destroyed—those people have changed their mind. They've just seen the brutal reality of what's going on between Iran and the United States. They see how capable Iran is today to fight back, and how desperate the Trump administration is. They're basically begging for a deal with Iran, but they're not getting that deal because that would need to put pressure on Benjamin Netanyahu. That would never happen.

That would never happen in the United States. Donald Trump can say whatever he wants to say, but they're not going to force Benjamin Netanyahu to get out of Lebanon immediately and stop attacking Lebanon, stop attacking Syria, stop attacking Gaza. He's not going to be able to do that. He knows that. He may do something because of the midterm elections. The elections are coming. That's why Donald Trump may try to manipulate the situation. So as soon as the midterm elections are done and they're getting their candidates, they're getting back to the war. This is the other argument. Iran knows that. Iran just considers all of these dimensions of what's going on in West Asia. What would happen in the aftermath of the midterm election?

#Nima

The United States is going to get back.

#Nima

The economy is not doing great. Donald Trump has two more years of his presidency. What does he want from that? His personal wealth is just growing, it's getting better. All he cares about is his personal life and his people and his sons and daughters. This is the whole agenda on his part. That's why when it comes to the American economy, he says, I don't care about the financial situation in the United States, because Iran is making nuclear bombs, and I have to do something about nuclear bombs in Iran. Which he knows is a lie to the American people. This is a total lie. He's asking to open up the Strait of Hormuz. He's asking Iran to hand over the enriched uranium. None of those things are going to happen. He's not going to get anything from Iran. If he wants Iran to declare

that they're not going to—Iran declaring that they're not going to build nuclear weapons—Iran would declare that.

There is no problem with that. And Iran, my understanding of Iran today is that their assessment of the nuclear program has not changed. I know that there are some rumors right now they're talking about, that Iran has nuclear weapons, Iran is building nuclear weapons, or is getting nuclear weapons, or something like that. My understanding is that Iran, at this particular moment, feels so comfortable because they know the importance of the Strait of Hormuz. They know their military capabilities. Their stockpile of missiles is full, more than they had before this war started. The drones are getting better. Their air defense system is growing and improving drastically because of the lessons they've learned. Iran has never been attacked by these sorts of air powers, these sorts of fighter jets. They had no experience before.

So the experience they had during the 39 days of war has somehow helped them to improve their air defense system. Right now in Iran, they have the Mejid air defense system. They have Bolvar. They have Arash the Archer. And these are the new air defense systems. Simply, they have an integrated system. They're bringing all these weapons together in some sort of communication system. They can communicate. They can hit the target better. That has hugely improved the Iranian capabilities in the case of the air defense systems. And they don't have any problem with the interceptors because almost, I would say, they all produce them in Iran, and they are producing them 24/7. And this is what's going on with the Iranians.

And so they're so confident. They know what they're doing. They know their capabilities. They know the leverage they have on the United States in the case of negotiations. So let's assume the worst-case scenario for Iran is not reaching any sort of agreement. So they don't reach an agreement with the United States. What is the outcome of that? The blockade of the Strait of Hormuz? If the United States tries to stay there with the blockade, we're going to get back to a full-scale war between Iran and the United States. How long does the United States want to continue that war? Are they going to be able to? What are the capabilities? What is the situation with the stockpile in the United States?

The meeting that Donald Trump had with Xi Jinping in China, which basically, in my opinion, was focused on rare earth minerals, because to produce more missiles, to produce more interceptors for Israel and for the United States, they need rare earth minerals, and they're short of that. They don't have it. They're 90 percent dependent on China. As Marco Rubio yesterday said, 90 percent of the minerals are coming from China. That's why you see Marco Rubio going to Armenia and other countries, making new deals to receive more minerals from these countries, which they don't have the way the United States does. They're trying to diversify that product, diversify the case of the...

#Nima

But China is still dominant right now with those minerals. So there was no outcome from that summit. The United States is not going to be able to build up the stockpile anytime soon. At least 10

years — they need 10 years to get back to the same level of missiles and interceptors that they had before this war started. Just imagine, in 39 days, they have used 10 years of production. So is that going to be a viable choice for the United States to stay in the Strait of Hormuz to continue? I don't see that. And if they stay there to hit these tankers, oil tankers, I think sooner or later Iran is going to hit the aircraft carriers, destroyers.

They're going to blow them up, because that's the final. Iran tries to be so cautious with their targets. As I mentioned, they didn't kill, they didn't try to kill civilians. Their targets were so precise not to influence the people, ordinary people, civilians in GCC countries. Believe it or not, many people in Iran believe even those people on these aircraft carriers who are doing nothing, basically just providing support — 5,000 people on some of these aircraft carriers — mostly they don't have anything to do with the war. They don't know what they're doing there. Even these soldiers in the American bases in GCC countries, these are ordinary people.

These are part of the army. They don't know what the United States is doing there. Why do they need to sacrifice their lives for Israel, for whatever Benjamin Netanyahu has in his mind? He's not sacrificing his soldiers, his people. He's sacrificing the U.S. forces, the Navy. And who cares about them? They don't care about that. That's why every time he comes out, he's trying to sell more lies to the people in the United States. He said today the American people should be grateful, unbelievably grateful or something like that, to Israel because we're defending them. What we're doing is defending the United States, not only defending Israel, but defending the United States.

#Nima

Nobody's asking, "What the hell are you talking about?"

#Nima

Who's going to attack the United States? What is the history of Iran attacking the United States? The guy is lying over and over. And there are people, these Zionists, who want to buy these sorts of lies or who are getting these kickbacks from the Israeli lobby. You know, that's why they're supporting Benjamin. They don't care about the people. Do you think that Lindsey Graham cares about the people in the United States? All he cares about is making money. I don't know what he wants to do with his money. The guy is so desperate. When it comes to Ukraine, when it comes to Iran, it's all about war, making new wars, sending more weapons, invasion. He has never been part of the military in the United States. He doesn't know what he's talking about. But he's advocating to send, you know, these young men and women to this sort of fight that he has in his mind.

Because he's not fighting. These soldiers are fighting, and who cares about these people? They're going to be replaced with other young men and women. These are numbers for these people like Lindsey Graham. People are numbers. That's why he doesn't care. And I hope some sort of sanity would happen in the United States with these people. I don't know if the people are going to remove

him from his position. After many years of being in power, Lindsey Graham is the most destructive political figure in the United States, in my opinion. The guy is so desperate. He's unbelievably destructive. I hope I tried to give you my understanding of what's going on. And I think the escalation will continue as time goes by. And let's see what would happen. And great pleasure as always.