

Andrei Martyanov: US Strikes Iran – Iran Hits Back at CRITICAL Targets

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Hi, everybody. Today is Thursday, June 11th, 2026, and our dear friend Andrei Martyanov is here with us. Welcome back, Andrei.

#Andrei

My pleasure.

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Andrei, the latest news is Donald Trump today said he's going to attack Iran again because, yes, last night, as you know, we had an attack — an American attack or an Iranian attack — on Iranian islands and cities in the southern part of Iran, and one of them in Karaj, close to the capital of Iran, Tehran. And that was not a significant attack in Karaj. It seems that it was done by some sort of drones. But the attacks in the southern part of Iran were basically trying to hit the targets with the use of fighter jets. They used Tomahawk missiles. Two Tomahawk missiles were intercepted; they were trying to attack, you know, the petrochemical plant in Assaluyeh, which is close to the Persian Gulf. But they hit some targets in Bandar Abbas and Sirik — the Sirik Island in the Persian Gulf.

That's all that happened last night. And then the Iranian attack on Kuwait, Bahrain, and Jordan. The hit in Jordan was confirmed by the footage that came out of Jordan, despite the announcement by the Jordanian government that all of these missiles were intercepted by the air defense system. So today Donald Trump said that he's going to attack Iran again tonight. And he may want to invade Kharg Island, that island that everybody in the United States is going so crazy about. They're so obsessed with that island. And just moments ago, it seems that Donald Trump said he will no longer bomb Iran tonight and announced that a framework for negotiations with Iran has been approved by both sides. The Iranian Tasnim agency said Donald Trump is lying.

It's just more than 38 times he's come out and told lies to you. And don't believe what Donald Trump is talking about — just look at what the Iranian officials are saying. But Andrei, looking at the attack yesterday and the way they started it, and the reason for that attack with that Apache helicopter that was hit by a drone and the whole story behind this — what is that? What was the main reason, in your opinion? And is it possible to have such an attack, you know, some sort of clash, some sort of collision, you know, between the Iranian drone and the American helicopter? Because that was the main issue, the main reason for that attack. And the outcome of those attacks for the United States and Iran — your take on that?

#Andrei

Oh, my take is simple. Bibi Netanyahu told him to do what he has to do, and he does it. That's it. He is not obviously a mentally adequate man anymore. He is hysterical also. I mean, whatever faculties he has left, he cannot fail to understand that his administration is over. And the question is not about internal American political life. America is becoming increasingly really irrelevant, and it will become more irrelevant to international affairs due to their military catastrophes, essentially, and losses. But he is trying to do all that he can to satisfy AIPAC handlers.

And there is no secret to it, really. So, it is essentially a Zionist, Israeli administration in the United States. They operate so they need to keep Netanyahu out of, which we know Axios reported. Not that I believe Axios — make no mistake, most of the U.S., well, all U.S. legacy media and this type of media, they lie, that's what they do. But there is a certain kernel of truth to that. Essentially, the only way Netanyahu is not going behind bars — he should actually be charged with crimes against humanity and genocide — is to continue some kind of hostilities in the Persian Gulf.

And the United States is definitely not capable of providing this punch, which they call the foundation of the U.S. way of war, if you wish — you know, hurl everything you have from there, you know, shock and awe, you know, some kind of third-rate crap hole, and then, you know, invade. So he continues to make those statements. He continues to make those statements to manipulate markets — and again, futures primarily. The spot prices, the spot prices. And so he's in a dead end. It's over. He's cornered. And he's not even the rat that can bite back, you know, when cornered. The United States has been paraded essentially for what it is militarily. It's a paper tiger, you know.

So the only thing they can do is use whatever remnants of their standoff tapestry they have. Period. And, uh, Jordan or what have you, you know, they can say whatever they want to say, but yes, evidently, um, and, uh, that's my video coming up today. And, you know, essentially, when you have Ben Hodges, of all people, okay, he has a hilarious YouTube channel — hilarious indeed, because it's clownish, really — but even he admits that Patriot basically, well, it cannot handle anything that Russia throws. And Iran also has some strike means, and they don't handle them that well to start with. So, um, what can I say? That's pretty much it. It's a dead end. What are you gonna do?

Nuclear weapons, obviously. Cy Hirsch, who has been caught already many times with absolute confabulations — and I don't know, he's getting old, obviously — and he said that, oh yeah, maybe using nuclear weapons has been discussed.

Somebody feeds him this garbage, but the point is, yeah, that's the only way they can handle anything. You know, their idea that there will be ground troops—really, he wants... you know, who was the guy from the Iranian parliament a couple of days ago? He said that they are covering up the real numbers of the actual KIAs, which we know is the case.

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There is a huge gap between what Iran is reporting and the actual casualties.

#Andrei

The same goes for Israelis. They lie through their teeth. They have their ass handed to them militarily. They have tremendous casualties there. But yeah, that's what they do. They're really not good militarily. The only thing they've always been good at is Hollywood, you know, just, you know, all those, you know... So, fighting third-rate Arab armies, that's about it.

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Yeah, Andrei, basically the attack happened because of the Apache helicopter, and they said that the Iranian drone hit the Apache helicopter. And, you know, the story—let's assume that story was right—and the two hit each other. But you have the two pilots alive and no injuries, nothing happened to them. It's so strange, that argument. It reminds me of the same story about rescuing that pilot in the southern part of Israel, while the airplane was in the other part of Israel.

#Andrei

It is an embarrassment. It is total humiliation when you have that military, which claimed itself to be the finest fighting force in history. And there is only one helicopter in the world which has ejection seats. It's the Ka-52 of the Russian Armed Forces. What it actually does is, there are explosive bolts in the coaxial rotors, it shoots them out, and then they have a special slide which allows the two pilots, who sit side by side, to literally roll out, and then the ejection seat basically initiates and ignites. So it doesn't matter. Again, it doesn't matter now. It doesn't matter what they will invent. They can invent aliens from planet Zoltar invading, you know, and this is an absolute copious amount of bullshit, okay?

Because I cannot use any other words anymore to describe this. This is a total humiliation. They have no real weapons, no will. There is a serious situation with the command and control, obviously. There are other things which are, I don't know, Iran is hitting some really sensitive things there, you

know. So, it's like every day we have to discuss and comment on the delirium of the, you know, asylum patient. And that's who Trump and his administration are. Again, they serve Israel, period. Simple as that. And they are controlled by Israel. And when you look at those people who constitute this administration, the Zionists, simple as that.

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I think part of the attacks, part of the grand picture or the big picture of the region, looking at what's going on, the Trump administration is desperately trying to make something, some sort of political, you know, posture for Israel the way it was before the war started. Those red lines are gone. They're not there anymore. Oh, wait.

#Andrei

I mean, United States, yeah. Listen, I'm on the record. I said it many times. United States is not a sovereign country. It's a country which is run by the Israeli lobby. And it's lost its sovereignty. It lost its people, honor, integrity. It completely debased itself in the moral sense because it supported the genocide against Palestinians. And that's what it is. Simple as that. And how, again, I'm... I am on record again. United States doesn't have a U.S. Congress. It has Knesset 2.0. So how else can it be explained? This is their complete debasement of the country, the nation. And many of those people, they still believe in this MAGA thing by Trump and worship him as an idol when the guy is essentially nothing more than a showman. I spoke about it. I love the Internet.

In 2018, I voted for Trump in 2016. I wrote about it. And then in 2018, he appointed John Bolton as his national security advisor, and Mr. Mattis because he looked cool in uniform. I wrote down that it's over. The guy is a complete fraud. I mean, that's it. And he is a fraud. So are the people who surround him. They don't have any understanding of actual, not some corporate, national economies. Does he care about us, like lowly lives, you know, mere mortals? No. No. Nobody cares. The American political and economic class, so to speak, the ruling class, doesn't care if you go hungry or what have you. These are not mentally normal people. This is essentially the last days of the, well, North Roman Empire. The United States never was even close to the Roman Empire. It loses all its wars, you know.

But the question is that... when you look at what is being produced as the elites, not only in the United States, all over the place, and you look at Israel and its critical role in the downfall of the United States, what do you have? These are not normal people. These are people, and you know what, I have to remind you there, Vladimir Putin's famous statement last year: the vampire's ball is over. He called them vampires. Satan's playground. This is a totally degenerate, decomposing class which considers itself an elite. They are not. They are not smart. They are greedy. They have all kinds of perversions, you know, performed on us. And so what can I say? I mean, there you go. It's over. That's over for the combined West.

I cannot even emphasize enough what is going on. And so, as a result, Mr. Trump is just a symptom. But the United States' situation is exacerbated by the fact that it is completely subverted by the Israeli lobby, and it serves Israel. Simple as that. The U.S. military is the extension of the Israeli Defense Force. Well, you can call them a force—it's not a force. It's nothing more than genocidal punitive battalions. And so, when you look at that, this is also the American military mythology coming crashing down, because it's nothing more than an expeditionary imperial force designed to subvert all kinds of those, you know, backward tribes. And the moment it encounters a serious military force, it basically implodes. That's the only thing. The only thing it has is, obviously, their nuclear weapons. That's about it.

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It seems, Andrei, the decision tonight not to attack Iran is because of the World Cup. Just imagine you have the World Cup happening in your country, and you're attacking other countries — the same countries.

#Andrei

Come on, Olympic Games, 2008, 08, 08, 08 — Vladimir Putin sitting together with George W. Bush at the opening of the Beijing Olympic Games. Guess what they do? CIA might say, oh yeah, let's throw Georgia, you know. So they go and blow up the scene, I mean, kill civilians. So the Russian army intervened. You know, come on. I mean, those people — there is no honor, humanity, or integrity in those structures anymore. Period. That's what it is. I mean, they actually... well, let me put it this way: we finally reached the critical mass of assholes running the country, that at this stage it's absolutely meaningless. So... it's not about the World Cup. Hey, the way they treat it... listen, this guy from Somalia, he's the first African referee of international repute.

You know what? He's definitely not a terrorist. He's one of the best referees now in football around the world. It's just... it boggles your mind. And yeah, it's complete decomposition of the old structures, be that the United Nations, FIFA, what have you. I mean, this is decomposing, literally, and it stinks to heaven as any decomposing corpse does. This is the end of Western civilization, as we speak. And in this case, discussing the symptoms, it's interesting. I agree with you. I do it myself all the time. But it's like constantly trying to interpret the thoughts of a complete, you know, again, asylum patient. And we have a guy who is mentally inadequate, and he's the president of the United States.

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And you look at the administration, Andrei, you're living in the United States, and you, as you've mentioned, you voted for Donald Trump. And you see the outcome of this administration, the way,

you know, nobody knows who's running the show in Washington. With the ongoing negotiations, we have two fronts of negotiation, if there is. There are no negotiations, but let's assume. No, there are not. Pakistan already stated, we are done with, you know.

#Andrei

So, but yeah, the guy lies. I mean, it's normal. It's normal there. Lying is part and parcel of, essentially, Western civilization now. You have to come out and BS, bullshit, hoi polloi, until they vote for you. The only idea of any... And again, there are no people of integrity, honor, humanity. I mean, none. Look at the U.S. Knesset 2.0. Few people could have any kind of integrity or humanity. They are not tolerated. It is utterly corrupt. It's an oligarchy in the last, essentially, stages of its decomposition. And so... And what can I say? I mean, that's... And Trump, again, was he better in terms of... than Kamala Harris in the last election? Yes, he was. I still would say that, because when you look at who the DNC are, they're Satanists, as simple as that.

Those people would probably unleash nuclear war. Because they are... And again, when you look at them, this is not a normal political class. And what can I say? We can continue to discuss them, but that's it. How it's going to resolve itself, I don't know. The United States is not going to vote itself out of this. Because you can see yourself there, a complete collapse of the structure. The edifice already collapsed. It has been clear for anybody who has seen it from long ago. And we look now at this exacerbation of this systemic crisis which cannot be overcome. It either collapses with catastrophic consequences or something happens. Look at Ireland and Great Britain. English people finally had enough. They had enough, I mean, and this is just one of the triggers, so to speak, of what is happening.

It's not going to happen in France, because the French already lost their country, and so they voted for that. British people, in Britain, obviously, it doesn't matter who you vote for, the oligarchy and aristocracy will tell you what to do anyway. But at least look at the English people, they had enough courage, and, you know, so they finally... But I don't know, here in the United States, evidently, you have 57 million, by different estimates, so-called Christian Zionists. They're not Christian, they're Zionists, essentially, who are the main voting bloc of this utterly corrupt GOP. And then you have Satanists and all kinds of perverts voting for, you know, Democrats. And so what do you have? Where is this silent majority? It exists, I know it does. It's a massive voting bloc which is not represented in the United States.

So, and that's the end of the system, okay? And it happens all over the place. And under this guise, so to speak, they love to talk about democracy, all these prostitutes, literally prostitutes from CNNs, you know, whatever, the folks and those bimbos, you know. The thing is that you cannot fix it. You cannot fix it by voting. You need to have a generational change. You need to have a tidal wave of the critical mass of people accepting the reality, or at least beginning to feel it, you know, in such a

way that it begins to guide their actions. We're not there yet. But Europe is getting there, but I don't think... Europe is done. You cannot vote out anything or do anything there at all. And so here we are. This is the stinking corpse of Western civilization, and that's it. It's the final diagnosis, yeah.

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Andrei, one of the difficulties that Donald Trump is facing right now is arms production. He said that we have to replace those arms that were used during the war, and as soon as possible. It seems that he's putting a lot of pressure on the military-industrial complex, and he's investing a lot of money in that project. But how fast can they produce those arms? Because it's so crucial. If he decides to stay in this fight, which it seems is the destiny of this war, they're going to continue, as the Wall Street Journal today reported, that the United States is going to continue with these sorts of attacks on Iran over and over, each and every night. Well, I mean, because it has no option.

#Andrei

Strategically, the United States is a classic strategic dead end, which is the euphemism for defeat, military defeat. The United States cannot, it never could. The United States military is not educated or designed to conduct serious combined arms operations. The last time they did anything like this of any value was actually in Korea, okay? 1950s. Only idiots bought all this hype and videos, you know, from the Gulf War, because obviously it was an anomaly. It wasn't a war. It was the combination of the imbecile Saddam, who believed that his generals were good, which they sucked, you know. Soviet military advisors who were in Baghdad, and I knew a few of them, they were just basically scratching their heads — these Arab militaries, okay?

So, and that's it. The rest of it, they just lose wars nonstop. The only thing they can do is essentially, well, do something like buy the people in Baghdad, Venezuela, which now is covered in shame for the rest of their existence as a country — buy out some elites, they will sell them their president, things like that. The United States can operate only in any way as a co-op, essentially, in the Western Hemisphere. In terms of combined arms operations, it's simply not a power to be reckoned with. I mean, they can wreak their massive, you know, horror, essentially bombing something. But that's about it. I mean, and when they talk about that, they cannot — first, the United States doesn't have the required force.

It doesn't have operational experience and the ability to plan such an operation to enter Iran, period. It's going to be a catastrophe, especially considering the level of the Iranian armed forces, which are pretty good, evidently, you know. So, and then you have terrain, you have the size of the country, you have the economy, and then you have, obviously, a bunch of other people supporting Iran, okay? And so... what can they do? Well, periodically attack it, because obviously, the military-industrial complex and especially armed forces — you cannot buy serious armed forces, period. No

matter how much money you invest, it's not just about money. You need to have the cultural DNA, you need to have historical experience, and you need to have an extremely high level of technological development.

And here is the issue. This is what I've been writing about for two decades now. You cannot—well, probably some understand. The United States is not advanced militarily. It has very good C4ISR—not even command and control, let's say C2ISR: communications, computers, intelligence, surveillance, reconnaissance. That's what the United States has, because obviously it has an extremely developed and very sophisticated space program. It has excellent, you know, early warning systems. It has excellent surveillance and things of this nature. But the problem is they do not understand. There's not a single American general who really grasps what is going on, for example, in Ukraine. And that's how they approach all battle, as I've already stated many times and will repeat again.

They don't know anything, but let's, you know what, insert some special forces. Let's throw everything we have at somebody, and on the 20th to the 25th day, something, give and take, you know. So we start basically the subversion of the regime, and then the infantry moves in, you know, mops up, and hooray, we're winners. Doesn't work like this in the real world. They convinced themselves, they literally—if you follow their military thought, if you follow all those operational documents, all how they teach military history—which is, it's not teaching. Basically, the United States and its military academies tell their cadets and listeners of the war colleges and all that, they tell them fairy tales. They tell the Hollywood version of their... that's the level of the U.S. military.

There are officers. The ROTC doesn't produce professional officers anymore. Candidate schools also do not produce them. Many of the academies—the academic level is extremely low. So when you look at this, and yeah, there you go, that's the first serious enemy. This is not a boss level, obviously, but Iran is a serious enemy. And here we have this situation. The military-industrial complex, it never was about combat efficiency and combat effectiveness. The primary purpose of the American military-industrial complex is to make money for their shareholders, for the capitalization of their companies, and that is why they continue—because they don't have anything new—to produce all those iterations of the good old junk, which cannot shoot down any modern weapon, old ones too.

You look at the Patriot PAC-3, it's a joke, okay? It's a joke, literally. You have Ben Hodges admitting it. I quote him, it's painful, as much as it's painful to admit. Yeah, you have nothing. And they go also, there are all those white elephants, you know, and when you look intensively, even at the media which describe this, you know, they do this masturbation. What do they say? Oh, it's all this, their \$1.3 billion bomber. It doesn't matter how much it costs, how combat-effective it is, you know. The engineering school is being lost now. I mean, that's the problem. It doesn't matter how much money you pour in.

You have to understand, the guy who operates on the, basically, manufacturing production floor, anyway, in the aerospace company or any kind of, you know, serious military-industrial complex thing—even the simple guy who goes from apprentice and becomes that CNC operator or something like that—first, you need to have many of them, be they assemblers of all kinds of critical parts. But you also have to have them what? You have to have them educated enough, dedicated enough, not doing drugs. You begin to look at these criteria, and guess what? For 40 years, you've been telling everybody through Hollywood that the pinnacle of achievement is what?

Becoming a free thinker? Tattoo yourself to the point that you look dirty and play some crappy music, you know? And that's the, you know... Everybody wants to become a poet or a musician. How many people want to become a CNC operator, let alone a CNC operator who knows all those things about computer numerical control, or an assembler of the very critical parts of technology? The United States doesn't have enough people of that nature because the whole generation has been lost. And I'm talking about a generation of engineers and high-quality, very highly qualified workers. So what do we have?

We have yet another 787, which for some reason decided to, just a few days back, you know, just drop itself because, yeah, the front landing gear didn't want to support the aircraft on the ground. So that's the result. That's what is happening. 737 MAX, that's what is happening. All Boeing engineers go out and say it was designed by clowns and produced by monkeys. So, this is the American military-industrial complex. It still retains some competence, but in terms of their weapon systems, if you compare to Russia, it lacks not by one generation, but by two at least. And what is a generation? It's about 10 years, give or take. So, what can I say?

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Andrei, what do you make of this new Section 224, merging the U.S. military with the Israeli one? We have practically that happening as we talk. Yeah, because they want to formalize it, because they see how the tone, how the atmosphere is changing against Israel in the United States. They want to formalize it in the future. Maybe someone decides to get out, or maybe decides to change the policy of the United States. Maybe, maybe, maybe. I don't know if that would happen anytime soon. But this is the fear on their part. That's why they need to go with this section. But looking at that section militarily, what would change under that section for Israel?

#Andrei

Nothing really. They already have access. Come on. I mean, Larry Wilkerson is, and I respect him tremendously. He told you, Douglas Feith, essentially the Pentagon was answering to Douglas Feith and his credits from, you know, the American, whatever they held for the Project for the New American Century when they started the 2003 invasion of Iraq. The United States doesn't have U.S. armed forces. Any American serviceman, American officer, in general, they serve Israel. They have

to change their oath and give the oath to Israel. Simple as that. And this was the case for decades. It's just that now they're beginning to talk about it. Hello, guys, you have been at its service since day one, you know, at least this generation of people. And so they will formalize it. Of course they will formalize it.

But then again, as I already stated, the United States doesn't even produce good equipment anymore. It never did. There were some excellent, you know, as I already stated, they were very advanced for their time, you know, the computer things and, you know, radio communications, all this good stuff, you know, they were very advanced in radio electronics, especially in the 70s, 80s, 90s, you know, and then it stopped. And there is a reason why it stopped. And so, well, if Israel wants to bet on American military, they already did it before. They own it, you know. So now you have Thomas Massie talking about the USS Liberty, who sabotaged this, essentially, investigation. Oh, the father of John McCain, Admiral McCain. Okay? So there you go, everything you need to know.

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Andrei, the next level, the first news in Iran reported that the next targets of the Iranian army would be all those assets in the region linked to Elon Musk. They're talking about SpaceX and those satellites, ground stations. They have them in Qatar, Israel, Jordan, UAE, Oman. They said the next sort of targets were going to hit all of them.

#Andrei

They will. Iranians usually do what they say. What can I say? The only thing they can do here is cover it up and not show it, but obviously, alternative media—thank God for the still-alive, barely, American Constitution and Bill of Rights and the ability to see the alternatives. So yeah, they will. I mean, if it comes down to it, the data centers will go, you know, and the UAE, and especially Dubai, are finished no matter what. So yeah, that's the reality. Andrei, in the latest attacks, the Iranian response, retaliation to the American attack...

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Iran didn't attack Saudi Arabia and Qatar. It seems something is happening. I don't know what that is. The governments are intervening, you know, they're trying to call the Iranians, or maybe some sort of— we talked about it before— because these governments were in contact with Russia. They were talking with the Iranians. They want something new for the region. It seems, at least, we don't know yet what that is. We don't know the scale. We don't know what's going on behind the scenes. But the signs for us, that we are witnessing how Iran is responding to the ISIS, it's not on Qatar, it's not on Saudi Arabia. It's on Bahrain, Kuwait, and Jordan. Jordan is so important because this is a new target for Iranian missiles. They didn't attack Jordan before. And we know how many of these fighter jets are in Jordan.

#Andrei

Sure, yeah. I don't know what's the deal between Tehran and Riyadh. Obviously, Saudis are an important player, they are a key Arab country in the region. You know, Saudis wouldn't mind, for example, the UAE going to hell and, you know, presenting Saudi Arabia as the new substitute for the UAE, you know, as the tourist thing. And, you know, of course, what they live on, obviously, it's still the reserves of oil and Aramco. And there is, obviously, the United States is present there. So, but whatever they discuss, obviously, they are afraid. Iran developed by now, its fate is complete, it's already happened, it developed an incredibly powerful military influence exerted over the region. Many people, again, many people forget what is happening. Sixteen American bases are gone. They have been removed.

Iran essentially evicted the United States from the Middle East. This is for those people who do not understand what happened. They completely lose focus on those seemingly unimportant details, but in reality, 16 American bases, U.S. bases in the region, have been essentially wiped out. Whatever they're hiding now in the remnants of the headquarters of the 5th Fleet, they'll probably try to hold on to it for whatever reasons. They get hit pretty much each time the United States tries to encroach on whatever in Iran. The 5th Fleet, whatever is left there, gets it. And so this will continue. But as I already stated, the United States doesn't have the force and ability, it doesn't have the capability and capacity to conduct whatever coercion—essentially a campaign—which would require, necessitate, their ground troops.

But what ground troops? I mean, you're not—do not go there with whatever 400,000 troops you have. You want to get, you know, again, Vietnam will look like a good war. Easy. You know, so, and that's the Saudis. They will sell you out again. As you know, the Arabs will. And this is no—I mean, there are many honorable people among Arabs, make no mistake. I'm not making this sweeping generalization, but their political elites, they are prostitutes. So they will sell you out the moment you turn away. You know, so that's what they do. They will stab you in the back. And in this case, whatever Saudi Arabia tries to arrange for itself, obviously it has only Saudi Arabia's interest in it. But they are afraid now. They are very afraid.

And this is another major achievement of Iran. They were afraid of Iran before; now they are terrified. Because Iran can turn this Saudi dream, based also on slave labor and all kinds of oil reserves, into a nightmare really fast. And that's what the deterrent effect and, obviously, the military influence on geopolitics is. Iran has it now. And everybody saw how the U.S. defends, quote-unquote, those areas—it can't. It's just, yeah, it can shoot down a couple of drones here and there, you know, but that's the only thing. The United States always had this idea about warfare which was so detached from reality, I don't know how to explain it. I wrote four books about it.

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So, I don't know, man. It's bad. It looks extremely bad.

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Andrei, we know that both the Ukraine war and the Iran war are basically, on one side you have Iran and Russia, and on the other side you have the United States, basically the Western world, the two wars. And you see no sign in this administration to make any sort of serious negotiations. They don't have it.

#Andrei

They never did. They never did. You have to understand, it's an American so-called elite—all those people who, you know, gravitate to the power centers and think tanks in Washington, D.C. and around. They're not very bright people, as I already stated. The American system of education, with all those Harvards, Yales, Princetons, Stanfords, you know, all those elite schools—in terms of humanities education, they are the green mills. They lost touch with reality a long time ago. You look at the so-called Russian experts in the United States—they are a joke. And the same goes for those CIA organizations, you know, things like that. They don't understand anything about modern war.

And there is another thing, which is this statement—not by me, but by the majority of the so-called realists—the United States doesn't know anything about the world outside. It's one of the most, you know, enclosed nations in this respect. And then, of course, it's exacerbated by sheer incompetence across the board, from intelligence to military to economic to political, what have you. And as a result, I mean, they think that they can defeat a country with the most, how to say, loosest army in history, which loses wars nonstop. Well, except for Grenada, of course. And yeah, buying out—they, for some reason, think that's a military success. It's obviously corruption of the Venezuelan government. And, you know, the CIA did a good job in that—buying them out. But that's the only thing they can do.

And that's the problem. That's the problem. You cannot explain to an average professor somewhere in Harvard what the world outside is and what the real economy is. You cannot explain to some Wall Street moron who knows only how to trade stocks, and it's all about capitalization, that actually... What is capitalization? They exist in this virtual world of some kind of... It's a bubble. It's a bubble, basically. And so, as I already stated, that's the result. This is decomposition. You have these constant symptoms of this decomposition, which be them stinking, you know, decomposing corpse,

or, for example, education, and be it military or especially in the so-called humanities degrees. I mean, those people who go through George Washington or Tufts University or whatever, I mean, they know nothing about diplomacy.

They know nothing about international relations. The only thing they can do is the maximum you can get in the diplomatic service in the United States, you know what they say—somebody who knows how to do the visas, do consular work, a job which a monkey can do, you know, if you train it long enough. Other than that, understanding the countries, understanding the cultures, you know—first, it's dangerous for the American mind, for, I mean, elites. You know, Americans as folks are very decent people, you know, for the most part. And so, as a result, you have this high on own supply. And as I already stated, look at the US military when you just kind of remove all this propaganda. And so, good Lord, I mean, it's a lot of expensive toys which do not work.

#Nima

I think, Andrei, the whole concept, this sort of behavior on the part of the United States, is coming from that long, you know, heritage, that heritage of slavery. You look at the way the United States sees other countries—they're slaves of the United States because of the dominance of the dollar. They have been, and that's why they brought some sort of delusion that these are slaves. We can control all of them because of the power of the dollar and because of the power of their military. And right now, everything is just falling down, falling apart.

#Andrei

The problem is they don't accept it. They can't. They can't. Again, listen. As I already stated, we reached the critical mass of assholes in power. So that's what it is. And we call a person an asshole for a reason. They are dysfunctional people. They're mentally very feeble. If you look attentively, again, they introduce—and it's Schumpeter who wrote about this already in the 1960s—that this whole environment, which never has to bear responsibility for anything they do, they invent their own criteria, their so-called intellectual class. The intellectual class in the United States is second-rate at best, with the exception of bright spots. You know, you have those people who come in, "Oh, yeah, I've been credentialed, I worked at the Pentagon, I worked at..." Most, most, not all.

There are obviously wonderful exceptions, such as our common friends, you know, people of wonderful minds. But again, they are not allowed anywhere near levels of power. They're filtered out because we have decades of negative selection. You literally have cretins and idiots in power and in the so-called intellectual class. I look at those so-called specialists and experts coming up and think, good Lord, those people are not normal. They cannot be called professionals. They are not experts. They have all those PhDs in nothing, literally. There is no political science—that doesn't exist. There's no such thing in nature as political science. They get those easy degrees, which do not require any kind of real effort to get them.

Well, that's definitely not engineering, which is very hard, you know. So, oh, you know, you're an engineer, you know. And they get there, they are rotated in these brainwashed degree mills of Harvard and what have you. They get a degree in some crap, you know, like sociology or whatever, you know. And they get themselves into all those so-called—look at the Council on Foreign Relations. It's a joke, man. Look at their publication, Foreign Affairs. It takes a real effort to find any kind of serious intellectual, you know, basically, article. Most of it is delusional garbage. The place which produced for us Francis Fukuyama. And he's still there. He still writes things. I mean, they are morons. I mean, look at them. And that's what it is. And so they can do nothing.

None of them has any kind of experience in a successful government job. And as a result, you have what we have. And it's just that the only thing they can do is always—they had this wonderful moment in the 1990s, which gave rise to the triumphalist school because of the collapse of the Soviet Union, which collapsed completely on its own, and primarily on its own, and had nothing to do with the war in Afghanistan, and certainly not with just, you know, American pressure. America did play a role, but in a way which no government structure in the United States would understand, because in the United States, culture and economy were attractive, and that was the factor, the important factor.

But they had this triumphalist moment. They convinced themselves that as much as America still remains a great country—I mean, there are many things which I love. I wouldn't live here if I didn't see real America from the ground, you know. And as a result, you have this political class and oligarchic class who—you have the imbeciles who believe in artificial intelligence. They believe in the—you have this cretin Thiel and obviously Karp, who is always high on something. That's the—you know, you have Zuckerberg. This is the level of what we got. And as Buzz Aldrin—I love what Buzz Aldrin stated. He stated it about 10 years ago.

And he said, you know what, when we flew to the moon, we thought that by 2010 we would be flying to Mars. What we got, we've got Facebook. And they call it tech companies, okay? The only thing they know—oh yeah, let's develop another chip. Yeah, no matter how you develop it, we are at death's plateau. And so what you have, yeah, you have people like Musk and those snake oil peddlers, you know, so what can I say? Yeah. Apple iPhones. Yeah. I don't know. My Samsung. You know what? The first question I ask when I buy a new phone is how much... I can afford an iPhone, believe me. But, I mean, why would you buy a Mercedes, which is garbage today, you know, overpriced, overengineered.

So, but yeah, you cannot explain it to people because they have been brainwashed by their—totally, it's consumption. That's why you have the actual psychotic episodes and serious mental illnesses because of the consumerism. This is what we got. And guess what? Where do you go further? How much do you need in your life? Well, some people do it again. This class of conspicuous consumption, they need the new yacht. Then, of course, they buy it, and then suddenly, I mean, they cannot afford it. And that happens constantly, you know, and this is ambition, vanity, and very, very feeble minds.

#Nima

Andrei, we had the Democratic House Armed Services Committee ranking member, Adam Smith. He said that he's calling for a Section 224-style provision for Ukraine. What is that for Ukraine? And we know that Israel is somehow different. But when it comes to Ukraine, what is the relationship? What is the meaning of that for Ukraine, that he's asking for that?

#Andrei

Oh no, just more money. The U.S. still provides the intelligence 24/7, you know, space-based intelligence, surveillance, and things like that. That's the extent of the United States, which can't do anything about it. The United States militarily is exhausted. The American military-industrial complex produces—essentially, it's pathetic. Just to give you an example, Russia shot down today 800—well, give or take, I don't remember the precise number—800 Ukrainian drones. That's the only thing they can do, drones. They don't know anything else because they're primitive. Again, their military is a joke. So guess what? Much of this, even if we say, count that out of those 800, just to give you an example, 400, while in reality, more.

They have been shot down by the air defense missiles. They have been shot down by Buk-M2, M3, by the TOR-M1, TOR-M2, S1, Pantsir, and things like that. That means what? Russians, 400 air defense missiles a day. Well, guess what? Russia produces a thousand or more per day. Just to give you the spread. The United States can produce about 300 maybe, oh yeah, if they strain themselves, 700 per year, okay? Per year, just to demonstrate to you. Britain, on the other hand, produces one per month, okay? This is everything you need to understand about what is going on. As I already stated, they are not good militarily. Again, their operations are a joke. They don't know how to conduct combined arms operations.

Obviously, the American, let alone Western, idea of air defenses is a joke. And so when you look at this attentively, this tells you everything you need to understand. They simply have no resources to do anything about it. Remember those millions of artillery shells? A few years back, I mean like 2023, what happened? Haven't heard from them anymore. They simply cannot produce more. They increased it somewhat, ramped it up. But if you take a look at what Russia produces, it's just overwhelming. They are not even in the same universe. And again, the main idea of the Pentagon, CIA, those creeps and prostitutes from the media, is to hide the scale of what is happening in Ukraine, where the combined West has been defeated.

It has been completely demilitarized. And now, when Iran again—I called it many years ago—the moment the United States gets out from behind its proxy, it's going to get its nose bloodied. Well, they made a mistake because they're arrogant, they're incompetent, and especially when you have Israel, which militarily—Israel knows only one thing: how to bomb defenseless people and how to conduct genocide. That's pretty much the extent of their military. The United States and Israel have

militaries, the Pentagon and the IDF. They have been involved and locked into that, rather, mutual masturbation for, I don't know, 30, 40 years. So that's the payout. That's the payoff time. So there you go.

#Nima

Thank you. Thank you so much, Andrei, for being with us today.

#Andrei

My pleasure, as always. Bye-bye. See you soon, Andrei.

#Nima

Bye-bye.