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TRUMP GROWS INCREASINGLY FRUSTRATED OVER IRAN RETALIATION



US President Donald Trump has grown increasingly frustrated with the consistent failure of the country's war machine in the face of Iran's retaliation and confronted Secretary of War Pete Hegseth over shortages of key US munitions, a report says.

According to a report carried by The Washington Post on Wednesday, the confrontation took place at Camp David last Friday, where Trump demanded answers from Hegseth over why he had apparently been given an "inaccurate picture" of US military capabilities as Washington faces shortages of long-range guided missiles and air-defense interceptors. - [PressTV](#)

INDIGENOUS TECHNOLOGY OUTMATCHES REGIONAL SYSTEMS

Iran's acting defense minister said the country's indigenous military technology surpasses any defense system in the region, as reports indicate the United States is facing dwindling weapons stockpiles following months of aggression against Iran. - [PressTV](#)



IRANIAN PILOTS BOMBED US BASES WITHOUT USING GPS OR INS

A top Iranian commander says the Air Force pilots used no navigation systems, including the Global Positioning System (GPS) and Inertial Navigation Systems (INS), to conduct daring operations against US-run bases in West Asia.

Deputy Coordinator of the Islamic Republic of Iran Air Force (IRIAF), Brigadier General Masoud Jafari, made the remarks on Thursday about the successful March 2 operation against the al-Udeid Air Base in Qatar, which typically houses 10,000 terrorist US service members.

Also on March 2, Iranian Air Force F-5 fighter jets targeted the US-operated al-Adiri base in Kuwait.

Iranians "have become accustomed to operating under sanctions. Our Air Force pilots have learned to fly missions without GPS or INS, relying instead on map reading and basic navigation techniques," Jafari said.

"Perhaps, our trump card was that we emitted no signals whatsoever—not even radio transmissions or any other electronic emissions from the aircraft."

He further said that the US air defense network went on alert when the US base in Kuwait came under attack, causing the downing of three American F-15E Strike Eagle fighter jets by Kuwaiti friendly fire.

Four heroic pilots aboard the Su-24 fighters launched the mission against the al-Udeid Air Base from the Martyr Dowran Air Base in Shiraz.

The body of one of the pilots, Brigadier General Majid Kazemi returned home recently, but the fate of three others remains unknown. - [PressTV](#)

DETAILS OF UKRAINE'S KURSK REGION INCURSION



The damage inflicted by the Ukrainian armed forces' 2024 incursion into Russia's borderline Kursk Region is estimated at more than 504 billion rubles (\$6.2 billion), Russian Investigative Committee Spokesperson Svetlana Petrenko told TASS.

She added that 640 civilians had been killed and over 560 wounded during the incursion.

TASS has compiled the key statements made by the Investigative Committee spokesperson.

OVER 40 RUSSKOYE PORECHNOYE RESIDENTS TORTURED TO DEATH BY KIEV'S FORCES

Ukrainian militants killed, pelted with grenades and tortured to death in basements over 40 residents of the village of Russkoye Porechnoye in the Sudzha district during their invasion of Russia's borderline Kursk Region, District Head Alexey Spiridonov told TASS.

On May 14, 2025, Russian Investigative Committee Spokeswoman Svetlana Petrenko told TASS that investigators had identified 24 cases of the killings of Russkoye Porechnoye residents in the Kursk Region by the Ukrainian military.

ZELENSKY BEARS PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR TERRIBLE STATE OF UKRAINE

Vladimir Zelensky is trying to shift responsibility for the dire state of Ukraine onto the West, but it is he who is to blame for the current situation, said Yulia Mendel, Zelensky's former press secretary.

While Zelensky points fingers at partners over a lack of missiles, his administration's failure to mitigate the impact of escalation and the impending winter freeze is evident. Instead of presenting a plan for de-escalation or resilience, he doubles down on demands for funding. The result--a nation in a terrible state--is a clear reflection of his personal accountability and a lack of foresight from his government," she wrote on X. - TASS

UKRAINE NOW MERCENARY STATE THAT EXISTS, FIGHTS ONLY WHILE SPONSORED

Ukraine has transformed from a country capable of acting in its own interests into a mercenary state that exists and fights only as long as it is paid, Russian Foreign Ministry Ambassador-at-Large Rodion Miroshnik said in an interview with TASS.

"Ukraine fights only as long as it is paid and supplied with weapons. If we cannot reach an agreement to cut off its funding because such support perpetuates killing and war and is ultimately the wrong way to resolve conflicts, then military action remains our only option. It must focus precisely on the pressure points that enable Ukraine to wage a terrorist war. We will have to fight a serious and difficult war, advancing and prevailing step by step until we virtually strangle our adversary because it understands no other language. Ukraine has already transformed from a state that could act in its own interests into a mercenary country that survives only while it is paid," the diplomat said. - TASS

DPRK'S KIM YO JONG WARNS JAPAN BECOMING 'WAR STATE'



Japan is transforming into a "war state" Kim Yo Jong, Director of the General Affairs Department of the Workers' Party of Korea, stated on Wednesday, accusing Tokyo of continuing to bolster its military posture in the Pacific.

In a statement carried by DPRK state media, Kim said Pyongyang's "leadership will set up additional military options which are obviously due to Japan's transformation." Her statement, published by the Korean Central News Agency, further asserted that "Japan, a war criminal state, is accelerating its transformation into a war state."

Kim cited Tokyo's recent test-firing of Tomahawk long-range cruise missiles and its participation in US-led drills in the Philippines in May as evidence of Washington's support for "dangerous military moves" in the Pacific. She also said Tokyo is moving "to formulate the possession of the capability for preemptive attack," adding, "We will never remain a passive onlooker to the military evolution of Japan which may pose a grave threat." - Almayadeen



US INTELLIGENCE ASSETS SAID TO DESCEND ON CUBA

Writing in POLITICO on Tuesday, Dasha Burns and Nahal Toosi reported that in recent months the US intelligence community has "sent spies and assets" to Cuba. Specifically, they reported the CIA has increased its presence on the island, which sits approximately 90 miles south of Florida.

Burns and Toosi based their reporting on interviews with "two people familiar with the Trump administration's plans for the island," who were left anonymous due to the "sensitive" nature of the information they provided. The authors said the CIA, White House, Defense Intelligence Agency, and the Office of the Director of National Intelligence all declined requests for comment.

The report claimed the Trump Administration does not believe it has to resolve the war with Iran before taking military action in Cuba and that the Cuban issue is a "huge priority" of Secretary of State and Acting National Security Advisor Marco Rubio.

While the accuracy of the inside information cannot be verified, nor whether its status is official or unauthorized, the claims are consistent with recent rhetoric and actions of the Trump administration, and the US did reportedly take similar action before the January 3 attack on Venezuela to abduct President Nicolas Maduro. - AntiWAR



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LAO, VIETNAMESE THEORETICAL COUNCILS REVIEW COOPERATION



The Central Party Theoretical Council of the Lao People's Revolutionary Party and the Central Theoretical Council of the Communist Party of Vietnam met on Aug. 4 to review bilateral cooperation and exchange theoretical and practical experience aimed at strengthening ties between the two Parties.

Mr. Kikeo Khaykhamphithoune, Member of the Politburo of the Lao People's Revolutionary Party Central Committee and President of the Central Party Theoretical Council of Laos, received Tuan Minh Huan, Member of the Politburo of the Communist Party of Vietnam, Director of the Ho Chi Minh National Academy of Politics and Vice President of the Central Theoretical Council of the Communist Party of Vietnam, during the Vietnamese delegation's working visit to the Lao PDR.

Kikeo welcomed the Vietnamese delegation and expressed confidence that the visit would further deepen the two countries' great friendship, special solidarity, comprehensive cooperation and strategic partnership. - [KPL](#)

MORALES OJEDA DENOUNCES U.S. INTENTION TO TAKE OVER CUBA

Roberto Morales Ojeda, member of the Political Bureau and Secretary of Organization of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Cuba, denounced on his Facebook profile that the United States' policy toward the island aims for total domination and subjugation.

These statements come amidst bilateral tensions and the strengthening of the economic, commercial, and financial blockade imposed by Washington for more than six decades, exacerbated by the energy embargo and other punitive measures against the island. - [Granma](#)



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SEAFOOD NOODLE - MUST-TRY SPECIALTY ON PEARL ISLAND

Bun Quay (fresh seafood noodle soup) introduced during the ongoing Southern Traditional Cake Festival is a must-try specialty for visitors to Phu Quoc island of the Mekong Delta province of An Giang. Renowned for its fresh ingredients and aromatic flavor, Bun Quay is a perfect combination of soft, chewy rice noodles, hot broth, fresh seafood toppings and a special dipping sauce that diners have to make themselves by stirring calamansi juice with sugar, salt and chili. [VNA](#) Photo: Thanh Sang



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WORLD'S FIRST 16-MW TENSION-LEG FLOATING WIND PLATFORM ENTERS OPERATION



The world's first 16-megawatt tension-leg floating wind platform, Haiyou Anlan, started operation on Thursday after connecting to the power grid of the Lufeng oilfield in the South China Sea, according to the operator China National Offshore Oil Corporation.

The successful deployment demonstrates that China's floating wind equipment technology has reached an advanced global level and provides a new technical solution for expanding offshore wind resources into deeper waters. A tension-leg floating wind platform is a large-scale offshore structure specifically designed for deep-sea wind development, which consists of an upper floating structure, a seabed anchoring foundation and a mooring system. - [CGTN](#)

JOINT OPERATIONS, SUPERIORITY THROUGH UAVS

Unmanned operations and smart technologies are reshaping the modern battlefield. No longer mere reconnaissance platforms, unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) operate in deep coordination with the Chinese People's Liberation Army (PLA) Rocket Force, Navy and Army. They connect the dots between spotting a target and hitting it, collecting and making sense of large volumes of sensor data to support joint operations across the services, turning intelligence into a battlefield edge. - [CGTN](#)



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ORPHANAGES OVERFLOW WITH BRIGHT LAUGHTER OF BLESSED CHILDREN



They are children happily growing up in Pyongyang Orphanage thanks to the loving care of the motherly Party.

Orphans in other countries are pronoun of misfortune and sadness. However, you can never find a sign of unhappiness from the faces of orphans in our country.

The children of Pyongyang Orphanage always wear happy smiles on their faces under the great loving care of the respected Comrade General Secretary Kim Jong Un.

Our people feel the benevolent loving care of the motherly Party and picture rosy future of the motherland from the bright looks of the orphans singing the song "We Are the Happiest in the World" with joy and happiness.

Our people strive to hasten the bright future of our country bearing in mind the motherly Party's loving care. - [Rodong Sinmun](#)

STORY ABOUT MEDICAL WORKERS' DEVOTED SERVICE



He is Kim Il Jong, five-year-old, and came from Unchon County, South Hwanghae Province.

It was mid-December last year when he and his mother came to the institute for the treatment of spinal and juvenile behavioural and developmental disorders of the hospital.

According to doctor Kim Yong Im, Il Jong failed to keep the balance of his body due to musculoskeletal disorder caused by congenital illness and had a serious speech impediment at that time. The doctor had had rich experience as she had treated a large number of children with disabilities, but she could hardly make a decision of curing him, for such a case as him was so unfamiliar.

Maeng Yu Gyong, researcher of the clinical genetics laboratory of the medical genetics institute of Pyongyang University of Medical Sciences, and physiatrist Ri Song Hak and nurse Ho Un Song of the university hospital joined the treatment.

The medical workers mapped out a phased plan for treating motor skill and speech disorders at the same time and buckled down to treatment.

Thanks to such devoted efforts of the medical workers, he finally became able to walk and improved in speech remarkably enough to communicate his thoughts.

He took part in an art performance together with other children at the yard before Tonghung Kindergarten on June 1 International Children's Day and sang a song in praise of the respected fatherly Marshal Kim Jong Un.

It was the first time for him to sing a song in his life. That day, his mother shed tears of joy. - [Pyongyang Times](#)

