

## In the News (Topic 1 of 3) FORMER ISRAELI LIAISON: DON'T SLOW ISRAEL'S DETERRENCE

**Article:** Former Israeli Liaison: Don't Slow Israel's Deterrence, Hezbollah's Real Focus is 'Great American Satan'

**Article Link:** <https://www2.cbn.com/news/israel/former-israeli-liaison-dont-slow-israels-deterrence-hezbollahs-real-focus-great>

### Key Talking Points:

- Hezbollah's real focus isn't Israel but the 'Great American Satan' per the former Israeli liaison.
- Per CBN news, Israel's Defense Minister Gallant was recently in Washington for talks about the ongoing war with Israel and the prospect of opening a second front on war with Hezbollah in the north. He also stated Israel is prepared for action in Lebanon and elsewhere if required.
- During a recent meeting Israeli prime minister Benjamin Netanyahu stated while he appreciated U.S. support for the conflict, America is still holding up weapons Israel desperately needs. And there does not appear to be a solution in sight.
- Per Yoram Ettinger, who was previously the Israeli ambassador to congress, Hezbollah isn't just the enemy of Israel but also the U.S. he told CBN, they are actually focusing more on the U.S. right now than on Israel claiming that their aim is to quote: "Bring the great American Satan to submission."
- He warned the Iranian backed group has close ties to Latin America terror organizations and drug cartels and are helping train them for terrorism. He cautioned that any attempt at concessions or retreats are interpreted as weakness.
- Ettinger went on to tell CBN that the state departments pressuring of Israel to switch to a diplomatic solution and to refrain from preempting a Hezbollah war undermines not just Israel, but homeland security in the United States.

## In the News (Topic 2 of 3) JIHADISTS ATTACK CHURCHES & SYNAGOGUES IN RUSSIA

**Article:** Jihadists Attack Churches, Synagogues, Killing a Priest and 15 Police Officers in Russian Region

**Article Link:** <https://www2.cbn.com/news/world/jihadists-attack-churches-synagogues-killing-priest-and-15-police-officers-russian>

### Key Talking Points:

- In other world news, on Sunday, jihadists attacked churches and synagogues, killing a priest and 15 police officers in southern Russia.
- CBN news reports that at least 20 were killed and 46 were injured during the attack by Islamic terrorists.
- One synagogue was set on fire when the terrorists using molotov cocktails stormed the holy place before evening prayers. They also slit the throat of a Russian orthodox priest before setting fire to the church.
- Russian forces say six Islamic jihadists were killed when special forces were called in.

- The attack was the deadliest terror attack on Russia since March, when gunmen opened fire at a concert in Russia, killing 145 people. Isis claimed responsibility for the attack.

## **In the News (Topic 3 of 3)** SENATE DEMOCRATS PUT ‘DRAFT WOMEN’ CLAUSE IN NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT

**Article:** Senate Democrats Put ‘Draft Women’ Clause in National Defense Authorization Act

**Article Link:** <https://www.breitbart.com/politics/2024/06/24/senate-democrats-propose-requiring-women-sign-up-for-draft/>

### **Key Talking Points:**

- In U.S. news, democrats propose requiring women to sign up for the draft.
- Per Breitbart, senate democrats have added a provision to a yearly defense bill that would require women to sign up for the draft, prompting opposition from republicans.
- Committee chairman Sen. Democrat Jack Reed, an army veteran, told CNN he could not understand why the issue is a “sore point” for republicans saying the revision makes sense since the military is now a mixed force.
- Republican Sam Brown, an army veteran who is running for senate in Nevada against democrat Jacky Rosen, hammered Rosen and others for voting in favor of the provision that is attempting to make the draft mandatory for our daughters.
- While the prospect of a war requiring a draft is not on the immediate horizon, under the Biden administration, the U.S. military is currently engaged in conflict in Iraq and Syria, as well as on ships in the red sea against Houthi rebels.
- U.S. troops are also involved in supporting Israel in its war against Hamas and Ukrainian forces in their war with Russia, while Russian war ships are docked off the coast of Cuba including a nuclear submarine.
- All of this prompting the notion on social media that World War III is on the horizon, if not already here.

## **Biblical Message**

### **Key Verse**

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