Israeli Attack On Syria Could Be New Strategy

BEIRUT (AP) — An Israeli air attack staged in Syria this week may be a sign of things to come.

Israeli military officials appear to have concluded that the risks of attacking Syria are worth taking when compared to the dangers of allowing sophisticated weapons to reach Hezbollah guerrillas in neighboring

With Syrian President Bashar Assad's grip on power weakening, Israeli officials fear he could soon lose control over his substantial arsenal of chemical and advanced weapons, which could slip into the hands of Hezbollah or other hostile groups. These concerns, combined with Hezbollah's own domestic problems, mean further military action could be likely.

Tzachi Hanegbi, an incoming lawmaker in Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's Likud Party and a former chairman of parliament's influential foreign affairs and defense committee, signaled Thursday that Israel could be compelled to act on its own. While Israel's preference is for Western powers to gain control over Syria's arms stockpile, he said there are no signs of that happening.

'Israel finds itself, like it has many times in the past, facing a dilemma that only it knows how to respond to. And it could well be that we will reach a stage where we will have to make decisions," Hanegbi told Israel's Army Radio Thursday. Hanegbi, like other Israeli officials, would not confirm Israeli involvement in the airstrike.

Iran Plans To Speed Up Nuclear Program

VIENNA (AP) — In a defiant move ahead of nuclear talks, Iran has announced plans to vastly increase its pace of uranium enrichment, which can make both reactor fuel and the fissile core of warheads. Eager to avoid scuttling those negotiations, world powers are keeping their response low-key

Iran told the International Atomic Energy Agency of its intentions last week, and the IAEA informed member nations in an internal note seen by The Associated Press on Thursday.

The brief note quoted Iran as saying new-generation IR2m "centrifuge machines ...will be used" to populate a new "unit" — a technical term for an assembly that can consist of as many as 3,132 centrifuges.

It gave no timeframe. A senior diplomat familiar with the issue said work had not started, adding that it would take weeks, if not months, to have the new machines running once technicians started putting them in. He demanded anonymity because he was not authorized to divulge confidential information.

Egypt's Police Regain Mubarak-Era Notoriety

CAIRO (AP) — With near impunity and the backing of the Islamist president, Egyptian police have been accused of firing wildly at protesters, beating them and lashing out with deadly force in clashes across much of the country the past week, regaining their Hosni Mubarak-era notoriety as a

In the process, nearly 60 people have been killed and hundreds injured, and the security forces have re-emerged as a significant political player after spending the two years since Mubarak's ouster on the sidelines, sulking or unwilling to fully take back the streets.

Moreover, President Mohammed Morsi, whose Muslim Brotherhood was long oppressed by the security forces, has made it clear that he needs the police on his side to protect his still shaky grip on power. On state TV Sunday, he thanked the police for their response to the protests, a day after dozens had been killed in the Mediterranean city of Port Said.

Riot police continued on Thursday to battle rock-throwing protesters in an area near Tahrir Square in central Cairo, the seventh day of clashes in the wave of political violence that has engulfed Egypt — though battles elsewhere have eased somewhat.

The police's furious response to the protests and riots — some of which targeted their stations and left two police officers dead — uncovered the depth of discontent in the once all-powerful security forces. Since Mubarak's fall, they have been demoralized and in disarray. But now they are signaling that they want back the status they held under his rule, when no one questioned their use of force and they had unlimited powers of ar-

U.S. Looking At Action Against China Cyberattacks

BY LOLITA C. BALDOR

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Obama administration is considering more assertive action against Beijing to combat a persistent cyber-espionage campaign it believes Chinese hackers are waging against U.S. companies and government agencies.

As The New York Times and Wall Street Journal reported Thursday that their computer systems had been infiltrated by China-based hackers, cybersecurity experts said the U.S. government is eyeing more pointed diplomatic and trade meas-

Two former U.S. officials said the administration is preparing a new National Intelligence Estimate that, when complete, is expected to detail the cyberthreat, particularly from China, as a growing economic problem. Neither of the former officials was authorized to discuss the classified report and spoke only on condition of anonymity.

One of the former officials said the NIE, an assessment prepared by the National Intelligence Council, also will cite more directly a role by the Chinese government in such espionage. The former official said the NIE will underscore the administration's concerns about the threat and will put greater weight on plans for more aggressive action against the Chinese government.

Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton, in an interview with reporters as she wound up her tenure, said the U.S. needs to send a strong message that it will respond to such incidents.

"We have to begin making it clear to the Chinese — they're not the only people hacking us or attempting to hack us — that the United States is going to have to take action to protect not only our government's, but our private sector, from this kind of illegal intrusions. There's a lot that we are working on that will be deployed in the event that we don't get some kind of international effort under way," she said.

"Obviously this can become a very unwelcome and even dangerous tit-for-tat that could be a crescendo of consequences, here at home and around the world, that no one wants to see happen," she said.

Although the administration hasn't yet decided what steps it may take, actions could include threats to cancel certain visas or put major purchases of Chinese goods through national security

"The U.S. government has started to look seriously at more assertive measures and begun to engage the Chinese on senior levels," said James Lewis, a cybersecurity expert at the Center for Strategic and International Studies. "They realize that this is a major problem in the bilateral relationship that threatens to destabilize U.S. relations with China.'

To date, extensive discussions between Chinese officials and top U.S. leaders — including President Barack Obama and Defense Secretary Leon Panetta — have had little impact on what government and cybersecurity experts say is escalating and technologically evolving espionage. The Chinese deny such espionage efforts.

Internet search leader Google focused attention on the China threat three years ago by alleging that it had traced a series of hacking attacks to that country. The company said the breaches, which became known as "Operation Aurora," appeared aimed at heisting some of its business secrets, as well as spying on Chinese human rights activists who relied on Google's Gmail service. As many as 20 other U.S. companies were also said to

Decimated Georgia Plant A Symbol Of Storm's Power

BY JOHNNY CLARK

Associated Press

ADAIRSVILLE, Ga. — For Darleen Evans, it was sheer terror as the manufacturing plant where she worked collapsed around her and her colleagues. She and two other women rushed into a bathroom stall, she holding one under each arm as she prayed, a tornado roaring overhead.

She tearfully recalled their survival as nothing short of a miracle: "If it wasn't for God, this company and these people wouldn't be here."

On two occasions, tornadoes have ripped through the Daiki Corp. steel manufacturing plant that employs more than 90 people in this small community. Both times, everyone inside escaped serious injury.

The sprawling facility won't be reopening anytime soon after the storm that hit Wednesday, however Most of it has been reduced to a pile of rubble, little more than mangled beams and twisted steel. The first time, in 2002, a tornado tossed the roof into the parking lot. Ventilation fans, ductwork and wiring were torn

Ševeral media outlets aired dramatic video Wednesday showing a massive funnel cloud roaring through Adairsville, a town of about 4,600 some 60 miles northwest of



MANDI WRIGHT/DETROIT FREE PRESS/MCT A firefighter helps a woman from her crashed car, Thursday, January 31, 2013. At least three people are dead and many others injured after a hor-

rific multiple-vehicle accident scene that stretches for more than a mile on Interstate 75 southbound in Detroit, police said.

Atlanta.

Three people died because of the massive storm system that marched across the U.S. - tornadoes killed one each in Tennessee and Georgia, while floodwaters killed a third in Maryland. While most came away with their lives, many lost their homes and were left with little else a day later.

Tens of thousands were without power at the storm's peak as a cold front sent what had been unseasonably high temperatures plummeting to near-freezing depths. Dangerous wind blanketed the nation's midsection, with subzero temperatures and wind chills recorded in the Dakotas. In Detroit, icy roads were blamed for a massive chain reaction wreck

involving about 30 vehicles on Interstate 75. At least three people died there, and another pileup involving more than 40 vehicles near Indianapolis closed a stretch of Interstate 70 in both directions.

Others closely watched rivers swollen by torrential rains, and officials opened flood gates to ease pressure on dams in Maryland. Hundreds were evacuated to higher ground. In Anne Arundel County, one person apparently drowned in a flooded camp where homeless people live in tents, said police Lt. T.J.

Ernest Moran said he lives at the site with about 15 other people. He awakened Thursday morning to find "a swamp," he said, and escaped with only his dog and a knapsack.

Near the nation's capital, at least one motorist had to be rescued because of flash floods. In New England, powerful winds were the main problem as gusts topping 60 mph in some areas caused widespread power outages.

The tornadoes Tuesday and Wednesday broke the nation's longest break between tornado fatalities since detailed records began being kept in 1950, according to the Storm Prediction Center and National Climatic Data Center. The last one was June 24 in Florida. That was 220 days ago as of Tuesday.

OBITUARIES

Gary Thompson II

Gary Robert Thompson, II, age 35, of Yankton passed away on Tuesday, January 29, 2013 at Avera McKennan Hospital, Sioux Falls from injuries sustained in an automobile accident. Memorial services will be 3:00

p.m. Saturday, February 2, 2013 at the Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Chapel, Yankton with Rev. Mark Lichter offi-

Visitations will begin one hour prior to the service at the funeral Gary was born on July 25, 1977

in West Palm Beach, FL to Gary

Robert Thompson and Gayle

(Sawtelle) Russo. Gary was employed at Cedar Village as a resident assistant in Yank-



Gary is survived by his daughter, Peyton Ann Marie Thompson of Lincoln, NE; special friend, Shelly Nowak and her son, Daniel of Yankton, SD; mother, Gayle Russo and stepdad, Michael Russo of Cape Coral, FL; his father, Gary Robert Thompson of Newport Richie, FL; grandfather, Jim Sawtelle of Cape Coral, FL, many aunts, uncles, and cousins.

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kind, generous, lov-

loved everyone he

met and everyone

loved him. He was

joke, loved the out-

doors, and riding

his bicycle.

always laughing,

smiling, telling a

He was preceded in death by his grandmother, Jan Sawtelle and grandparents, Marjorie and George Wooten.

In keeping with Gary's loving and generous spirit, it was his decision to donate life so that others

The family requests that memorials be directed to: The Gary R. Thompson, Jr. memorial fund at Wells Fargo Bank, 1920 Broadway, Yankton, SD.

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Online condolences at: www.opsahl-kostelfuneralhome.com

Mary Glanzer

Mary L. Glanzer, 101 years, 10 months and 19 days, of Freeman and formerly of Menno, passed on to be

ther Tuesday, January 29, 2013 at Oak Terrace Nursing Home in Freeman. Funeral services

with her heavenly fa-

will be 10:30 a.m., Friday, February 1 2013 at Salem M.B. Church, rural Bridgewater with Pastor Michael Petts

officiating. Burial will follow at the church cemetery. Visitation will be 5-7 p.m., Thursday, January 31, 2013 with a 7 p.m. prayer service, all at Walter Funeral Home in Freeman.

Mary L. Magdalena Hofer was born to Joseph L. and Maria (Wipf) Hofer on March 10, 1911. Mary's elementary education was at Bridgewater Public Schools. After moving to Sully County, she finished 8th grade at Blaine Consolidated School. Mary then attended Freeman Academy, graduating in 1930. She then attended Freeman Junior College and received her one-year normal course teacher's certificate in 1931. Mary taught school in Sully County for five

While living with her parents in Onida, Mary attended the Emmanuel Church. At the age of 14 years, Mary accepted Christ as her personal Savior and was baptized upon the confession of her faith by Rev. D.M. Hofer of Chicago, Illinois. Mary loved her church and was active in teaching Sunday School and singing in a

trio and the choir. On June 16, 1936 Mary was married to Dr. Andrew S. Glanzer at the David S.W. Glanzer home by Rev. Jacob I. Walter. They set up their home and office in Bridgewater where Andrew started his practice as an Osteopathic Physician. One year later, they moved to Menno. South Dakota where they lived for 57

To this union, three children were born: Donald Joseph, who died in infancy, Donovan Andrew and Karol Jean. Mary was dedicated to her family. She lived an exemplary life. She had a gift of hospitality. She hosted brothers and sisters, missionaries, Pastors and evangelistic speakers in her home. She always had a garden and enjoyed sewing for her family. Mary and Andrew were faithful members of the Salem M.B. Church.

In May 1994, Andrew and Mary had a sale and moved to the Village Estate Apartments in Freeman, South Dakota. Five years later they moved to Marion, South Dakota. In November of 1999, Andrew was admitted to the Tieszen Memorial Nursing Home and Mary lived across the street. Andrew passed away on to his heavenly home on October 31,

It was fortunate that we had a mild winter of 2000-2003; Mary would drive out from Marion to Karol's and go along to church. In April of 2003, Mary moved to live with her daughter Karol, Robert and

Dementia is difficult both on the caregiver and the one inflicted. In August of 2005, Mary was admitted to the Oakview Terrace Nursing Home in Freeman where she was well cared for. She won the hearts of the nurses and aides with her smile.

Those who will cherish her memory are her daughter, Karol (Robert

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L.) Hofer of Marion, SD; daughter-inlaw, Dr. JoLynn Glanzer of Cedar Rapids, IA; granddaughter, Karolyn (Larry) Langerock of Marion, SD; grandsons: Korey Hofer of Marion, D and Kevin (Tiffany) Hofer of Miller, SD; great grandsons: Lincoln, Landon, Lawton and Logan Langerock and Blake Hofer; and great granddaughter, Grace Hofer.

Family members who preceded her in death were her parents; husband, Andrew; infant son, Donald; son. Donovan: sisters: Elizabeth (David S.W.) Glanzer, Susie (John) Mendel, Justina (5 yrs old) and Anna in infancy; brothers: Joseph L. (Marie & Esther) Hofer, Elias L. (Susie) Hofer, Jacob L. (Marianne) Hofer, David L. (Arlene) Hofer and Joshua Hofer in infancy; granddaughter, Kathleen Joy Hofer and great granddaughter, Abbie Langerock.

Reck Funeral Home of Miller has been entrusted with Mary's arrangements. Visit www.familyfuneral-

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Emery Hochstein

Emery Hochstein, 91, of Hartington, Neb., died Thursday, Jan. 31, 2013, at the Veteran's Hospital, Omaha, Neb.

Funeral Services are pending at the Wintz Funeral Home, Hartington.

Ronald Koupal

Ronald Edward Koupal age 69, of Tabor, SD passed away Wednesday, January 30, 2013 with his family by his side following a courageous 5-year battle with lung cancer at Avera Sacred Heart Hospi-

tal. Yankton. Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, February 2, 2013 at St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church, Tabor, with Msgr. Carlton Hermann and Rev. Joe Forcelle officiating. Burial will be in the parish

cemetery. Visitations will begin at 4:00 PM, Friday, February 1, 2013 at the Opsahl-Kostel Memorial Chapel, Tabor, with a wake service at 7:00 PM. Visitations will resume one hour prior to the service at the memorial chapel. Pallbearers are Ron's nephews: Bob Zavadil, Jim Zavadil, Jim Koupal, John Ptak, Kevin Ptak, Gary Ptak, and Dan Ptak. Honorary pall bearers are 1961 classmates of Tabor High School and co-workers

of Bon Homme Yankton Electric. Ron was born March 10, 1943, in



in 1961. Ron graduated from the University of South Dakota-Springfield in 1967. He married Barbara Christman on September 12, 1986.

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Tabor High School

Ron spent his 34-year professional career at Bon Homme Yankton Electric in Tabor, SD, retiring as manager in 1998.

Ron served as a member of St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church. Catholic Workman, Tabor Chamber of Commerce, Jaycees, Tabor Volunteer Fire Department, Bon Homme School Board, Boy Scout Leader, and Secretary of C.R.A.P. (Czechs Revolting Against Persecution).

Ron was an avid golfer, a Minnesota Twins and Vikings fan, supporter of Bon Homme School activities, and enjoyed spending

Rochester, Mintime with his children and grandchildren and attending their various nesota, to George and Anna (Petrik) Koupal. He at-Those who will share his memtended St. Wences-

ory include his wife Barbara; son, Jeff Koupal of Tabor; daughters, Becky Koupal of Tabor, Nicolle (Shane) Samuels of Harrisburg, Michelle Millen of Tabor, and Mandy (Neal) Petersen of Harrisburg; sisters, Jean Ptak of Sioux Falls, and Nancy (Mel) Ptak of Marion; brother, Rick (Jean) Koupal of Yankton; seven grandchildren: Tajia, Devin, Jordan, Kayden, Morissen, Josalyn, and Lawson, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Preceding Ron in death were his parents. George and Anna Koupal: sister, Connie; and brother-in-law, Marvin Zavadil; and brother-in-law,

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Gladys Kramar

Funeral services for Gladys Kramar, 87, of Springfield are 2 p.m. Saturday, February 2, 2013 at the United Church of Christ in Springfield. Burial is

in the Springfield Cemetery, rural Springfield. Visitation is Friday with the family present from 5 pm until 7 PM at the Crosby-Jaeger Fu-

neral Home in



Kramar

Springfield. Gladys G. Kramar was born February 6, 1925 at Rush Springs, OK, the daughter of Thomas H. and Nellie Ruth (Owen) Taylor. She died Wednesday, January 30, 2013 at the Good Samaritan Society in Tyndall. She attained the age of 87 years, 11 months and 24 days.

Gladys attended kindergarten in Oklahoma City, OK. They then moved to Colorado due to her father's job when she was in the first grade. She graduated high school in 1942 in Manitou Springs, CO.

She moved to South Dakota where her father was the Superintendent of construction of the Ft. Randall and Gavins Point Dam in 1954. She worked for Sears and this is where she met O.F. (Frank) Kra-

Gladys married Frank Kramar on May 31, 1956. Together they farmed on the farm on Hwy #52 until August of 1979, when they moved into Springfield. $\bar{\text{Gladys}}$ typed Bon Homme

County history for the Bon Homme County Pioneer Association from 1965 to 1993. She was a member of the Springfield Historical Society since 1979, where she also had served on the board and as president for two years. She was a member of the Tabor ZCBJ Lodge #41 for over 50 years and served as secretary for many years. Gladys was the Fraternalist of the Year in 1990 and was chairperson for the ZCBJ National Convention in Rapid City in 1995. She also was a board member of the Springfield Assisted Living Center. Gladys was also a member of the UCC Church in Springfield where she had served as secretary and Diaconate for two years.

Thankful for having shared her life are her three daughters: Cheryl Sensing of Springfield; Lori and husband Roger of Springfield; and Blanche and husband Dennis of Avon; 10 grandchildren: Lana, Shawna, Cathy, John M., Jess, Travis, Blair, Amanda, Nicole, and DJ; 10 great grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

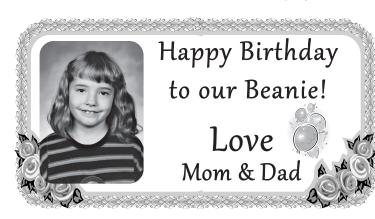
Gladys was preceded in death by her husband on July 19, 1993; parents; sister, Geneva Williams and a great-great granddaughter.

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Marian Schuldt

Marian Schuldt, 91, of Wagner died Wednesday, Jan. 30, 2013, at the Good Samaritan Society, Wagner. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 2, at St. John Catholic Church, Wagner. Burial is in the church cemetery, rural Wagner.

Visitation is 4-6 p.m. today (Friday) at the Crosby-Jaeger Funeral Home, Wagner.





Sylvia C. Peitz

1:30 PM, Friday Holy Trinity Catholic Church Hartington

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