31-May-17 – Trump and Israel in Check-Mate

Description

Badr Brigades fully kitted out for battle

Two major events just occurred in the last several hours which need to be seen together and connected. One is: **Powerful pro-Iran Badr Brigades to enter Syria**, as debka informs us. The other is: **Comey To Testify Publicly That "Trump Did Push Him To End" Flynn's Russia Probe**. See both below.

On the singular issue of the war in Syria, we see the public display of forces arrayed with Trump on one side, together with Israel and Saudi Arabia, and on the other side we see Obama's faction that wants to co-opt Iran, Iran itself, Iraq, Syria and Russia.

The battle plans are in place. The unfinished job of wiping out ISIS and defeating the Israeli incursion into Syria, set in motion under Obama, is taking its course. As of this moment, the pro-Iranian forces are attacking the remaining pockets of disarrayed ISIS in order to clear the critical Iraqi-Syrian border of Sunni invading forces. Now, should Trump order American forces to counter-attack, all hell will break loose at home and talk of impeachment is set to dominate the public discourse. It appears that Trump and his Mossad connection to Netanyahu are in check-mate. They cannot make a move.

A close reading of the attacks against Trump's supposed links to Russia conveys the unmistakable impression of coded language for his links to Mossad and Israel. Every mention of Russia hides a reference to Israel. When Flynn is in the crosshairs for having had dinner with Putin, in fact it is his connection to Netanyahu and Mossad which are suspicious and are under question. Before his demise, Flynn already had the plans in place for the military assault against A-Assad's forces, and, in concert with the Israelis, Assad's his ouster. For Flynn's connection to Israel, see: **Flynn played crucial role ahead of Netanyahu-Trump summit. And this: Trump and Gen. Flynn move in on Syria, Iraq wars.**

Powerful Pro-Iran Badr Brigades to Enter Syria

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Hadi al-Amiri, commander of the strongest Iraqi Shiite militia, the Badr Brigades, said Wednesday, May 31, that his forces are preparing to enter Syria. The advanced capabilities of this powerful Iranian-led militia, would tilt the Syrian war strongly in Iran's favor, with alarming ramifications for the US, Israel and Jordan.

Al-Amri, in making this announcement, cited Iran's new slogan: "Iraq's security will be maintained only if Syria's security is preserved." In other words, the Syrian conflict would end only when pro-Iranian Shiite militias, including Hizballah, control Syria like they control Iraq.

debkafile's military and intelligence sources report that the Badr Brigades' path into Syria was secured this week when an Iraqi Shiite conglomerate breached the Iraqi-Syrian border in the north, on the orders of Al Qods chief Gen. Qassem Soleimani. This opened Iran's coveted overland corridor through Iraq to Syria.
The combat capabilities of the Badr Brigades, estimated at between 30,000 and 50,000 strong, are impressive. One of the most professional and well-trained military forces in Iraq, its recruits receive instruction at special camps operated by Revolutionary Guard Corps on Iranian soil. The militia consists of special forces, tank, mechanized infantry, artillery and antiaircraft units. The high quality of their munitions may be seen in the photo at the top of the story.
Their entry into Syria could raise the total of pro-Iranian Shiite forces fighting in Syria to 80,000 to 100,000 troops.

Intelligence sources expect the Badr Brigades to first head south towards the Deir ez-Zor area to link up with the Syrian Arab Army and Hizballah forces, which are threatening the US special forces and allied hold on a key crossing that commands the triangle where the Jordanian, Syrian and Iraqi borders meet.
They would need to cover 230km from Palmyra to Deir ez-Zor, the while fighting small, scattered ISIS concentrations. Wednesday, May 31, Russia came down on the side of Tehran, with a cruise missile strike on ISIS targets around Palmyra. They were fired from the missile frigate *Admiral Essen* and the submarine *Krasnodar* for the purpose of softening jihadi resistance to the Badr Brigades' southward advance.

The consequences of this massive pro-Iranian intervention in the Syrian war are dire for the US, Israel and Jordan. For Washington, it lays the ground for Tehran's domination of Syria – in the face of President Donald Trump's solemn vows to prevent this happening.

For Israel, Hizballah's hostile penetration of Syrian borders abutting its territory is child's play compared with a major military force capable of transforming Syria into a huge staging area for Iranian aggression against the Jewish state.

Jordan's foreboding comes from its judgment that pro-Iranian Shiite militias sitting on its borders are a greater threat even that ISIS.

Comey To Testify Publicly That "Trump Did Push Him To End" Flynn's Russia Probe

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The showdown between Donald Trump and James Comey will be televised after all.

According to CNN, the former **FBI director plans to testify publicly in the Senate as early as next week to confirm bombshell accusations that President Donald Trump "did push Comey to end his investigation into a top Trump aide's ties to Russia."**

As a reminder, it was allegations that Trump was urging the former FBI director to end the FBI's ongoing probe into Michael Flynn (all allegedly written down in Comey's notebook, which so far few if anyone besides Comey has seen), that prompted the worst stock market selloff in mid-May, when some interpreted Trump's actions as an attempt to obstruct justice, with some speculating that Trump could even be impeached if Comey's allegations were confirmed.

As CNN adds, "final details are still being worked out and no official date for his testimony has been set. Comey is expected to appear before the Senate Intelligence Committee, which is investigating possible connections between the Trump campaign and Russia during last year's presidential election." Additionally, it emerged that Comey has spoken privately with Special Counsel Robert Mueller III to work out the parameters for his testimony to ensure there are no legal entanglements as a result of his public account, a source said. Comey will likely sit down with Mueller, a longtime colleague at the Justice Department, for a formal interview only after his public testimony.

When he testifies, Comey is unlikely to be willing to discuss in any detail the FBI's investigation into the charges of possible collusion between Russia and the Trump campaign — the centerpiece of the probe, this source said. **But he appears eager to discuss his tense interactions with Trump before his firing, which have now spurred allegations that the president may have tried to obstruct the investigation**. If it happens, Comey's public testimony promises to be a dramatic chapter in the months-long controversy, and it will likely bring even more intense scrutiny to an investigation that Trump has repeatedly denounced as a "witch hunt."

Comey's termination unleashed a firestorm of press coverage, with reports emerging in the New York Times, WaPo and elsewhere about the confrontations with Trump that Comey memorialized in memos afterward. A week after he took office in January, Trump allegedly demanded Comey's "loyalty" if he kept him on as FBI director, and he urged Comey to drop his ongoing investigation into Michael Flynn, Trump's fired national security adviser, in a separate, one-on-one meeting.

"The bottom line is he's going to testify," the CNN source said. "He's happy to testify, and he's happy to cooperate."