

## World News

One report indicates North Korean soldiers have engaged Ukrainian fighters for the first time [1]. The North Koreans also appear to have shipped their 170mm howitzer systems in support of Russian forces [2]. This comes as the North Korean leader, Kim Jong Un, ordered the mass production of suicide drones [3].

China displayed its new J-35A fighter at the China International Aviation and Aerospace Exhibition and it looks similar to the U.S. F-35 [4]. Moreover, one report indicates China now has the ability to win a regional war against the United States [5].

Russia is suspected of cutting two undersea cables located in the Baltic Sea [6]. Additionally, Russia has targeted the Ukrainian power grid near major cities [7]. Moreover, Russia continues to advance its military forces deeper into the Ukraine [8]. The Russians also fired a ballistic missile with multiple warheads into the Ukraine [9]. Meanwhile, with two months remaining in his Administration, President Biden has authorized the Ukraine to use long range American Made weapons against targets deep within Russia [10]. The question is, if this was a bad policy for years, why the change? In yet another policy change, President Biden is sending the Ukraine anti-personnel land mines [11].

In Pakistan, the air pollution is so bad, and estimated 1.8 million people were sickened [12]. The air pollution is not limited to Pakistan. For instance, in Delhi, India, the smog was so severe, in person schools were halted [13].

The race to place a man on Mars is progressing. Case in point, the SpaceX [\(Continued on page 2\)](#)

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## Israel War

The war continues to expand. In a first, Israel conducted a ground raid into Syria, capturing a person with Iranian ties [1]. Moreover, reports indicate drones were launched at Israel from within Iraq [2].

One report indicates the Israeli attacks last October struck a nuclear weapons research facility located in Parchin, Iran [3]. Separately, the US and European nations have entered a UN International Atomic Energy Agency resolution to censure Iran for its lack of nuclear cooperation [4].

This comes as Iran warned it is activating new centrifuges to enrich uranium [5].

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### Special points of interest:

- Record Close for the DJIA and S&P 500 Stock Indexes  
- DJIA Breaks 44,000
- S&P 500 Breaks 6,000
- Fed Cuts Interest Rate by 1/4 Percent

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watchdog, November 22, 2024.

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*The secret of politics? Make  
a good treaty with Russia.—  
Otto von Bismarck*

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Starship, included a rocket controlled splashdown in the Indian Ocean [14].

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## Terrorism

Incendiary devices were discovered at a DHL cargo plane location [1]. Meanwhile, the FBI charged an Iranian for plotting to assassinate Donald Trump [2].

In Pakistan, a suicide bombing at a train station left at least 25 people dead [3]. Separately, in the northwest province of Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa, at least 38 people were killed by gunmen firing into Shia convoys [4].

In China, at least 35 people were killed when an attacker drove a car into a crowd at a sports center [5]. Overall, there has been an increase of mass casualty attacks in China over the past three months [6].

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*Beware of false knowledge;  
it is more dangerous than  
ignorance.—George  
Bernard Shaw*

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## Economy

On the day after the election, November 6, the three stock indexes (DJIA, NASDAQ, and S&P 500) closed at record highs [1]. On November 7, the NASDAQ and S&P 500 closed at record highs [2]. On November 8, the DJIA broke the 44,000 barrier and the three indexes closed at record highs [3]. On November 11, the DJIA closed above 44,000 for the first time and in another first, the S&P 500 closed above 6,000 [4].

The Federal Reserve cut interest rates by a quarter of one percent [5]. However, the national debt now exceeds \$36 Trillion [6].

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*You may have to fight a battle more than once to win it.—Margaret Thatcher*

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