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## World News

n October 16, the US used B-2 bombers to strike Houthis targets in Yemen [1]. This comes as Iran continues to supply the Houthis with military aid [2].

Meanwhile, China continues to alarm its neighbors. Case io point, in a military exercise, China sent 153 airplanes toward Taiwan [3]. Additionally, satellite images indicate China is constructing a new aircraft carrier design [4].

The Ukraine war continues with no end in sight. For instance, there are concerns than North Korea is getting more involved with helping Russia in the conflict [5]. Reports indicate the Korean troops have been sighted in the front lines [6]. Then, North Korea fired a test ICBM that flew for 86 minutes [7]. In response to the ICBM launch, U.S. military forces conducted a long-range bomber exercise over South Korea [8].

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- AFP, Yemen's Houthi rebels get 'unprecedented' military support from Iran and Hezbollah: UN, November 1, 2024.
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# Israel War

n October 13, a Hezbollah drone attack north of Tel Aviv, killed least 4 Israeli soldiers [1]. On October 31, missiles fired from Lebanon into Northern Israel killed at least seven people [2]. On November 2, missile attacks from Lebanon struck the central Israeli town Tira, wounding eleven people [3].

The relationship between Israel and the United States has weakened. Case in point, two classified documents regarding Israel preparations for war were leaked

and being investigated by the FBI [4].

On October 25, Israeli forces stuck military targets inside of Iran [5]. In an effort to deter further conflict, Israel warned Iran that it was capable of much greater attacks [6]. In Response, Iran promised a retaliatory strike and warned it has the ability to build atomic weapons [7].

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### Special points of interest:

- Middle East War
   -Israel Attacks Iran
- Record Close for the DJIA and S&P 500 Stock Indexes
- 4.1% Unemployment Rate
- 2.1% Third Quarter GDP Rate

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it has the capacity to make nuclear weapons; supreme leader threatens U.S. and Israel, November 1, 2024.

Nuclear war is such an emotional subject that many people see the weapons themselves as the common enemy of humanity.—Herman Kahn

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North's missile test, November 3, 2024.

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There has been a transition from a nuclear-annihilation scenario to an isolated-terrorist-nuclear-bomb scenario. But we're still locked into a mind-set that nuclear war would be so overwhelming that any kind of preparedness would be futile.—Irwin Redlener

## **Terrorism**

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- Fabian, Emanuel, The Times of Israel, One dead, 32 wounded in suspected terror truck-ramming at bus stop north of Tel Aviv, October 27, 2024.
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There was a terrorist attack in Turkey directed at an aerospace company [1]. At least five people were killed in the attack [2].

The attacks against Israel include terrorism. Case in point, at least one person was killed when a truck was used to slam into people at a bus stop north of Tel Aviv [3]. In the UK, a teen killed at least three girls in a knife attack and made ricin poison following an al Qaeda training manual [4]. In the United States, an illegal alien from West Africa, in a terrorist attack, shot a Jewish man in Chicago [5].

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## **Economy**

The stock market indexes continue to set new records. On October 14, the DJIA, NASDAQ, and the S&P 500 closed at record highs [1]. On October 16 and 17, the DJIA closed at a new record high [2,3]. On October 18, both the NYSE and NASDAQ closed at record highs [4].

Meanwhile, for the third quarter, the Gross Domestic Product (GDP), grew at an annual rate of 2.8% [5]. The October unemployment rate remained at 4.1% [6].

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Life on Earth is at the ever
increasing risk of being
wiped out by a disaster,
such as sudden global
nuclear war, a genetically
engineered virus or other
dangers we have not yet
thought of.—Stephen
Hawking