



# Will There Be Thermonuclear Fireworks by the Fourth of July?

June 22, 2025—Your life, in as little as a few days or weeks, could end in an “accidental thermonuclear war,” triggered by the dropping of a tactical nuclear device on Iran, either by a renegade Israel, or by the United States, or by Israel with the agreement of the United States. What happens next, will be determined by the reports regarding the successful, or unsuccessful, destruction of the sites.

Here is a question: if the sites were not destroyed, or if Iran announces it is able to rebuild, what will happen then? Will the use of tactical nuclear weapons be the next step?

The driving force for these events is not in “the Middle East.” It is in the global shift in economic power away from the bankrupt trans-Atlantic NATO “Anglosphere” nations, inhabited by the “golden billion,” to the seven billion other people in the world, typified by the BRICS nations. Iran, a member of the BRICS, wants nuclear power, not nuclear weapons. The intent of the War Party is to use the United States, once an anti-imperial nation, as a battering ram against the BRICS, starting with Iran.

With its attack on Iran, the United States has rejected what its greatest diplomat, President John Quincy Adams, characterized as its very nature: “(America) goes not abroad, in search of monsters to destroy...She well knows that by once enlisting under other banners than her own...she would involve herself beyond the power of extrication, in all the wars of interest and intrigue...The fundamental maxims of her policy would insensibly change from *liberty to force*....She might become the dictatress of the world. She would be no longer the ruler of her own spirit.” By breaking his pledge that he would keep the United States out of war, President Donald Trump has now fallen into the policy-grip of the War Party.

If you think that means “the Israelis,” you are mistaken. They are the match, but who sets the fires? Is that the role that Tony Blair, Jonathan Powell, Sir Richard Dearlove, Sir Peter Mandelson and others from the City Of London are playing in Washington right now? Are we watching a reprise of London’s role in starting the Iraq war, in particular giving George Bush his infamous sixteen words—“The British Government has learned that Saddam Hussein recently sought significant quantities of uranium from Africa”—when there were no weapons of mass destruction in Iraq? Is this similar to the role that the British Ministry of Defense, through its Project Alchemy, has played in the attacks deep into Russian territory that also threaten nuclear war?

Israel has nuclear and thermonuclear weapons, and has had them for over 60 years. That ugly, open secret is why nations like Iran, whatever you may choose to think of their policies, have acted as they have. If the Iranian sites were in fact not destroyed, the danger is that some crazy from the bowels of the Pentagon will now propose, “The only ‘dead certain’ way forward is to use ‘tactical’ nuclear weapons.”

Stop and think about what the following report from *Newsweek*, June 20, actually means. “The Trump administration has not taken anything ‘off the table,’ including the use of tactical nuclear weapons, if it decides to take military action against the underground Iranian nuclear facility at Fordow, Fox News reported, citing a White House official.” In response to these reports, Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov said the only responsible thing: “There have been a lot of speculations. This would be a catastrophic development, but there are so many speculations that in fact, it’s impossible to comment on them.”

*No matter what you are told, by the White House, by the Pentagon, or anyone else, there is no such thing as the use of one "tactical" nuclear weapon. In the words of Annie Jacobsen, author of Nuclear War: A Scenario, "If nuclear war begins, it doesn't end until there is a nuclear holocaust. And it happens so fast. There is no quickly going to your secret bunker."*

What does Russia do, if America, or Israel, deploys the first nuclear bomb used since Hiroshima and Nagasaki 80 years ago? Last week, America's ambassador to Israel, Mike Huckabee, wrote to President Trump, "No president in my lifetime has been in a position like yours. Not since Truman in 1945."

Let this be clear: President Truman dropping the atomic bomb in 1945 was *not* essential to ending the war. Dropping the bomb on an already surrendering Japan was necessary to *begin the next* world war, planned by Britain's Winston Churchill one month after Franklin Roosevelt died in April 1945. In May, Churchill proposed "Operation Unthinkable," a plan to immediately nuke the Soviet Union with American-made bombs, to "impose the will of the United States and the British Empire," in the plan's actual words.

The use of nuclear weapons has always been wrong, has never been necessary, and is never other than a tool of imperial force. We, the people of the United States, and we, the people of the world, must stop the madness of governments and fanatics. The nations of the Global Majority, and especially the

BRICS nations, of which Iran is a member, must have their voices heard. Nations should not be brought to the conclusion that the only way to retain and defend their sovereignty is to build nuclear weapons.

In Southwest Asia, we need a consortium of regional countries, working with the United States, Russia and China, to create a nuclear weapons-free zone--which has to include Israel joining the IAEA and signing the Non-Proliferation Treaty, as Iran did. A crash program for the peaceful use of nuclear power as an energy source, for water desalination and other purposes, needs to involve all nations in the region. A New Security and Development Architecture, based on diplomacy, not assassinations and war, must result from actions taken in the next hours and days.

The period ahead is more dangerous than the time of the Cuban Missile Crisis. Now is the time to act. **Circulate this message. Discuss it in every way possible. Get on the phone to Congress and go to their offices. Read and circulate the Ten Principles for A New Security and Development Architecture proposed by Helga Zepp-LaRouche.**

**It is up to the people to save themselves, and civilization itself, by speaking out and acting up. The world needs to hear from free citizens that say, "No to assassinations, regime changes, and thermonuclear war!" It is time, now, to change our world, before there is no world left to change.**

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