

VIENNA (Dispatches) -- The UN's nuclear agency confirmed Monday that Iran was installing advanced centrifuges as the troubled 2015 deal with world powers over Tehran's nuclear program threatens to fall apart.

The International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) said in a statement that on September 7 it had "verified that the following centrifuges were either installed or being installed...: 22 IR-4, one IR-5, 30 IR-6 and three IR-6s".

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AMMAN (Dispatches) -- Jordan has summoned the Israeli ambassador after two Jordanians were detained after crossing into the West Bank.

Abdulrahman Marei and Hiba Abdulbaqi were arrested after crossing the King Hussein Bridge, also known as the Allenby Bridge, that connects to the Israeli occupied Palestinian territory. Jordan's foreign ministry said Tuesday that it is using every diplomatic, political, and legal means to secure their release.

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Millions of Shia, Sunni Muslims Mark Ashura

KARBALA (Dispatches) — Millions of Shia and Sunni Muslims as well as other lovers of Imam Hussein (AS) marked Ashura on Tuesday, one of the most sacred religious holy days, holding rallies and prayers across the Middle East and elsewhere.

In southern Beirut, thousands of people, carrying yellow flags of the Lebanese Hezbollah group, rallied in the movement's stronghold where two Israeli drones crashed late last month.

The somber day of Ashura commemorates the martyrdom of Prophet Muhammad's grandson Imam Hussein (Peace be upon both) by the tyrant of the time caliph Yazid in Karbala in present day Iraq, in 680 A.D.

In Iraq, millions held Ashura processions amid beefed-up security in Karbala and the capital, Baghdad, marching through the streets. Many of the faithful beat their chests in a sign of mourning. In recent years, Ashura processions have been attacked by Takfiri terrorists.

On Sunday night, thousands marched toward the holy shrine of Imam Hussein (AS) in Karbala, which had been lit up on the eve of Ashura.

Ashura, derived from the word for "10" in Arabic, is observed on the 10th day of the first Islamic month Muharram with traditional rituals.

A walkway collapsed and set off a stampede in Karbala on Tuesday, leaving at least 31 people dead and about 100 injured,

officials said. The incident happened toward the end of the Ashura procession, causing a panicked rush among worshippers near the gold-domed Imam Hussein shrine, according to two officials who spoke to The Associated Press from Karbala.

The commemorations were peaceful until the walkway collapsed, triggering the chaos.

The incident took place during the so-called "Tweireej" run when tens of thousands of people run toward the shrine of Imam Hussein (AS) in Karbala around noon.

The 2-3 kilometer (1-2 mile) run symbolizes when people from the Banu Asad tribe from the village of Tweireej ran to help Imam Hussein (AS), only to find out that he had been martyred.

In Iran, several millions of mostly black-clad mourners took part in ceremonies across the nation. People stopped businesses and economic activities and marched on the streets to mark a day that symbolizes the eternal and unwavering stance against falsehood, the cause Imam Hussein (AS) was martyred for.

Mourners traditionally cook and distribute food and drinks among people. Many donate blood in Ashura procession to help others in need.

Similar processions were held in Pakistan where mourners showed solidarity with the people of Kashmir and Palestine.

Nasrallah: Imam Khamenei Is Hussein of This Era



People march during the religious mourning procession of Ashura in Beirut, Lebanon, September 10, 2019.

BEIRUT (Dispatches) – Hezbollah chief Sayyed Hassan Nasrallah said on Tuesday Iran, headed by Leader of the Islamic Revolution Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei, is the center of a major camp against the U.S. and the occupying regime of Israel.

"Today, we are in the middle of a big battle and our camp is being besieged by the U.S. and Israel and their tools. The leader of this camp is Imam Ali Khamenei and the center of this camp is the Islamic Republic of Iran," Nasrallah said in a televised speech on the occasion of Ashura.

"This is our camp, and this is our

Imam, our leader, and Hussein of this era. In this battle there is no place for neutrality. You are either with Hussein or you are with Yazid. The battle is renewed and so is the confrontation," he added.

Nasrallah was referring to the Battle of Karbala in southern Iraq in 680 AD, during which Imam Hussein (AS) was martyred along with his 72 after fighting courageously for justice against thousands of soldiers of the Umayyad caliph, Yazid I.

The battle symbolizes the eternal and unwavering stance of truth against falsehood and humanity's struggle against injustice, tyranny

and oppression.

On Monday night, the Hezbollah chief stressed that Israeli and American leaders will fail in their plots to undermine the resistance front through "blockades" and "sanctions".

"Tonight and tomorrow, we will tell (Zionist PM Benjamin) Netanyahu and (U.S. President Donald) Trump that we are a people not affected by blockades, sanctions, poverty and hunger," Nasrallah said.

"If our Hussein leader came out to tell us that 'you are free to leave', our response will be: By Allah, o master and leader, if we are

to be killed, all of us... we shall never leave you o son of Hussein," Nasrallah added, referring to Ayatollah Khamenei.

Ashura was marked this year amid rising tensions in the Middle East because of unprecedented provocations by the United States and the occupying regime of Israel.

The Zionist regime has recently expanded its aggression in Iraq, Syria and Lebanon, drawing outrage and pledges of retaliation.

On Monday, drones targeted posts belonging to Iraq's Hashd al-Sha'abi fighters and their allies on the border between the two Arab countries. The occupying regime of Israel took responsibility by the raid, the latest in such attacks across the region.

The U.S., on the other hand, has deployed additional troops, warships and bombers to the Middle East, in response to what it claims unspecified threats from Iran, escalating tensions in its "maximum pressure" on Tehran.

Addressing Israeli provocations, Nasrallah Nasrallah called the Zionist regime's military a "Hollywood Army" in his Tuesday speech and challenged it to perform more Hollywood shows.

"You are a Hollywood army and we learned a lesson from the show you performed," Nasrallah said. "In future responses, instead of hitting one vehicle, we will hit more, and instead of hitting one target, we will hit more... let's see how many Hollywood shows you can perform."

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Group Says At Least 12 People Martyred Nigerian Regime Attacks Ashura Mourners

ABUJA (Dispatches) -- The Islamic Movement of Nigeria (IMN) said on Tuesday police opened fire on members on Shia religious processions across the country, leaving at least 12 people dead and many other injured.

Three people were killed when police shot at members marching in the northern state of Kaduna, Ibrahim Musa, a spokesman for the Shia group, told Bloomberg by phone. Two people were killed in Bauchi and Gombe states, he said.

Further attacks on Ashura mourners took place in Sokoto and Katsina states.

According to an IMN statement, similar processions in Abuja, Jos, Kebbi, Minna, Lafia, Yola, Gusau, Zaria, Kano, Jalingo, Damaturu, Hadejia and Potiskum ended peacefully.

Police had said in a statement on Tuesday that it would treat planned Ashura processions as "a gathering in advancement of terrorism". The waning followed the proscription of the IMN by the Nigerian government and its designation as a terrorist organization.

If confirmed, the 12 will add to hundreds of IMN members killed since December 2015.

President Muhammadu Buhari's administration declared the Islamic Movement in Nigeria a terrorist group in July following months of street protests as members demanded the release of Sheikh Ibrahim al-Zakzaky, their detained leader.

Zakzaky and his wife, Zeenat, were detained in December 2015 during a ruthless raid by security forces, which left more than 300 people dead.

Since August, the cleric has been transferred to an unknown location upon return from India where he sought medical treatment, only to face an "obstruction" in the procedure.

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Trump Fires Warmongering Mate John Bolton

Washington (CNN) -- President Donald Trump said Tuesday that he has asked national security adviser John Bolton to resign, noting that he "strongly disagreed with many of his suggestions as did others in the administration."

"I informed John Bolton last night that his services are no longer needed at the White House. I disagreed strongly with many of his suggestions, as did others in the Administration, and therefore I asked John for his resignation, which was given to me this morning," Trump tweeted. "I thank John very much for his service. I will be naming a new National Security Advisor next week," he added.

The tweet came just one hour after the White House press office said Bolton was scheduled to appear at a Tuesday press briefing alongside Secretary of State Mike Pompeo and Treasury Secretary Steve Mnuchin.

Bolton tweeted minutes after Trump's announcement, "I offered to resign last night and President Trump said, 'Let's talk about it tomorrow.'"

Trump was irked by reports that he had faced internal pushback from Bolton over his decision to host leaders of the Taliban at Camp David, multiple people familiar with his frustration say. The president announced the plans for the meeting were canceled on Saturday.

CNN reported last week that tensions between top figures on Trump's national security team had devolved into all-out hostility, creating a deep disconnect between staffers on the National Security Council, led by Bolton, and the rest of the administration, six people familiar with the matter said.

Bolton was initially brought into the administration last year to replace HR McMaster partly (Continued on Page 7)

Taliban Declare War After Trump Says Talks 'Dead'

KABUL (Dispatches) -- The Taliban on Tuesday vowed to continue fighting against U.S. forces in Afghanistan after President Donald Trump said talks with insurgents were "dead," saying Washington would regret abandoning negotiations.

"We had two ways to end occupation in Afghanistan, one was jihad and fighting, the other was talks and negotiations," Taliban spokesman Zabihullah Mujahid told AFP. "If Trump wants to stop talks, we will take the first way and they will soon regret it."

The Taliban's statement came hours after Trump told reporters that the U.S. was walking away from negotiations after nearly a year of talks that aimed to pave the way for an American withdrawal from Afghanistan following 18 years of invasion.

"They are dead. As far as I am concerned, they are dead," Trump

said at the White House.

The announcement followed Trump's dramatic cancellation of a top-secret plan to fly Taliban leaders in for direct talks at the Camp David presidential facility outside Washington.

Driving another nail into the coffin of what had appeared to be nearly finalized negotiations, Trump said a U.S. military onslaught on the guerrillas was at its fiercest level in a decade.

"Over the last four days, we have been hitting our Enemy harder than at any time in the last ten years!" he wrote in a tweet.

Afghans braced for a possible new wave of violence Monday after Trump abruptly broke off the talks.

The Taliban said Trump's decision to upend the deal just before its signing "displays lack of composure and experience," and they (Continued on Page 7)