

## Selected Articles: The Never-Ending War in the Middle East

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### [Another Unnecessary War: Israel is Planning to Launch a Military Operation against Lebanon](#)

By [Prof. Idan Landau](#), February 12, 2018

The writing is already on the wall: Israel will soon launch a military operation in Lebanon. Not a targeted attack on a weapons convoy or factory, but a simultaneous attack on Hezbollah's missile production and launch sites. The operation will take place at the same time as, or immediately after, a [series of assassinations](#) of known Hezbollah operatives.



### [Turkey-led Forces Suffer Hundreds Dead Since Start of Afrin Operation against Kurdish Forces in Northern Syria](#)

By [Andrew Illingworth](#), February 12, 2018

By comparison, monitors say that the death toll for defending Kurdish forces in Afrin is not too far behind with some 150 to two hundred fighters reportedly being killed since the Turkey's offensive across the region began.



### [Countering the Asia-Pacific Quad Military Alliance: China-Pakistan Relations](#)

By [Ulson Gunnar](#), February 12, 2018

The US recently included India in its shifting Asia Pacific policy, as part of its Quadrilateral Security Dialogue (often referred to as the “Quad”). The Quad also includes Australia and Japan along with the United States itself.



### [US Declares Full Support to Israeli Airstrikes on Syria. Hezbollah Backs Damascus](#)

By [South Front](#), February 12, 2018

On February 9, Major Adrian Rankine-Galloway officially announced that the US supports the Israeli attack that targeted twelve positions of the Syrian Air Defense Forces and the Iranian forces in Syria. The Pentagon spokesman told reporters that the US fully supports “Israel’s right to defend itself”, according to Reuters.



### [New NATO Headquarters Planned in Germany](#)

By [Johannes Stern](#), February 12, 2018

The Bundeswehr (German Armed Forces) is to build a new NATO headquarters in Germany. According to information from the Deutsche Presse Agentur (DPA), the member states of the military alliance have agreed in principle to accept an offer from German Defence Minister Ursula von der Leyen (CDU, Christian Democratic Union). There were no other candidates for the headquarters. The official decision is due to be announced at the Defence Ministers’ meeting this week.

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