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## **WORD LIST-2 (DEC 30, 2021)**

1. **far from** (phrase) – not, not at all; nowhere near, a long way from.
2. **missile** (noun) – a weapon (capable of self-propelled flight) that is thrown at a target or shot usually by a jet engine or rocket motor.
3. **strike** (verb) - attack.
4. **violate** (verb) - breach, contravene, fail to comply with.
5. **norm** (noun) – standard, convention, rules of conduct.
6. **conflict** (noun) - war, armed conflict, battle, fighting.
7. **Damascus** (proper noun) - the capital of Syria.
8. **authorities** (noun) - officials.
9. **accusation** (noun) - allegation, charge.
10. **carry out** (phrasal verb) – conduct, perform, implement, execute, bring about.
11. **push back** (phrasal verb) – force back, repel, fight off; refuse, reject, prevent.
12. **day and night** (phrase) - always, all the time, continually, continuously, persistently, repeatedly, regularly.
13. **multi-faceted** (adjective) – diverse, different, various (features/aspects).
14. **evolve** (verb) – develop, progress, advance gradually.
15. **regime** (noun) – government.
16. **rebel** (noun as modifier) – insurgent, dissenting, agitating, non-conformist.
17. **Idlib** (proper noun) – a city in northwestern Syria.
18. **apparent** (adjective) – evident/clear, visible, noticeable, recognizable.
19. **build up** (phrasal verb) – develop, enhance, expand on.
20. **occupy** (noun) – capture, seize, take possession of, conquer, invade, overrun, take over, annex.
21. **Golan Heights** (noun) – Internationally recognized as Syrian territory occupied by Israel. Israel seized this Golan Plateau from Syria in 1967 and the status of this territory “remains unchanged”.
22. **decade** (noun) – a period of ten years.
23. **of one's own** (phrase) – belongs or relates to oneself only.
24. **deploy** (verb) – (of troops) move into position, position, station, post, place.
25. **largely** (adverb) – to a large/great extent.
26. **stay away from** (phrasal verb) – avoid, not get involved in.
27. **cold war** (noun) – a state of political and military tension between two countries.
28. **a free hand** (phrase) – licence, freedom, latitude, leeway, flexibility.
29. **flagrant** (adjective) – obvious, blatant, evident, glaring.

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30. violation (noun) – breach, breaking, non-observance.
31. sovereignty (noun) – autonomy, independence, self-government, self-rule, freedom.
32. hardly (adverb) – barely, almost not.
33. uphold (verb) – confirm, endorse/approve, vindicate/validate; maintain, preserve, protect.
34. precedent (noun) – model, exemplar, example, pattern; previous example/instance, prior instance.
35. devastate (verb) – destroy, ruin, ravage.
36. civil war (noun) – a war between organized groups within the same state or country.
37. front (noun) – a particular sphere of operation.
38. tussle (noun) – fight, clash, quarrel, argument, contention.
39. reportedly (adverb) – supposedly, seemingly, apparently, professedly, ostensibly, purportedly.
40. sabotage (noun as modifier) - spoiling, ruining, wrecking, undermining something deliberately (to prevent an effort or plan intentionally from being successful).
41. assassinate (verb) – murder, kill.
42. vessel (noun) – ship, yacht, boat.
43. Shia (adjective) – relating to Shia branch/sect of Islam.
44. revive (verb) – restore, revitalise, renew, bring back.
45. Iran nuclear deal (or) Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA) (noun) – JCPOA, known commonly as the Iran nuclear deal or Iran deal, is an agreement on the Iranian nuclear program reached in Vienna on 14 July 2015, between Iran and the P5+1 (China, France, Germany, Russia, the United Kingdom, and the United States) together with the European Union.
46. press ahead (verb) - move ahead.
47. soar (verb) – rise, increase, intensify (quickly).
48. on the table (phrase) - provided for consideration, discussion.
49. pawn (noun) – the weakest; puppet.
50. enfeeble (verb) – weaken, debilitate, cripple, disable.
51. lack (verb) – be without, be lacking, be deprived of, be short of.
52. political will (noun) – political desire/intention.
53. deter (verb) - prevent, stop, avert, impede.
54. dial-down (noun) - reduction, decrease, lessening.
55. tension (noun) – strained relations; strain, stress, pressure, unease.
56. revival (noun) – improvement, re-establishment, restoration.

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