



Greetings. The moon hangs low over the inkstone, and the wind carries the scent of distant smoke. I have unrolled the parchment to record the movements of the world as they are written. Here is the state of the scroll as it stands.

MAIN HEADLINES

- The United States and Israel have launched massive joint strikes against Iranian military, intelligence, and regime targets.
- Iran reports at least 201 fatalities and has begun retaliatory strikes against U.S. bases and regional allies.
- Tehran has reportedly closed the Strait of Hormuz, halting all maritime shipping and oil transit (developing).
- President Trump has called for regime change in Iran while urging the Iranian people to rise up.
- Internal political divisions have emerged in the U.S. as some MAGA allies and Democrats criticize the strikes.
- North Korean leader Kim Jong Un has gifted sniper rifles to officials as rumors of a succession plan swirl.
- Actor Chet Hanks claims he is trapped in Colombia without his U.S. passport and is pleading for help.
- A new arrest warrant has been issued for Shia LaBeouf regarding a previous incident at Mardi Gras.
- The New York Yankees have announced they will retire CC Sabathia's jersey number.
- A ranch-flavored milkshake topped with crispy chicken and carrots is scheduled for release next month.

THEMES

- Direct military escalation between the U.S.-Israeli alliance and Iran, signaling a shift from proxy conflict to open warfare.
- Severe disruption of global logistics and energy security following the closure of the Strait of Hormuz.
- Significant domestic political friction in the U.S. regarding the legality and strategy of Middle Eastern intervention.

CATEGORIES

USA

- Vice President Vance and Tulsi Gabbard were present in the Situation Room during the initiation of the Iran strikes.
- Representative Nancy Mace and Representative Ilhan Omar have engaged in a public dispute over the timing of the attacks during Ramadan.
- NYC Mayor Zohran Mamdani has condemned the strikes on Iran, labeling them an "illegal war of aggression."
- Heidi Montag and Spencer Pratt remain displaced over a year after the Palisades wildfire in California.
- The body of a California father missing since a Super Bowl party was discovered in a ravine.

WORLD

- Israel's IDF claims to have hit 500 targets in Iran, marking their largest strike to date.
- Retaliatory Iranian drones or missiles have reportedly struck a Dubai luxury hotel and a high-rise in Bahrain.
- Venezuelan officials condemned the U.S. strikes while also criticizing "undue" retaliatory measures by Iran.
- President Zelensky suggested that Ukraine-Russia peace talks may be postponed due to the Middle East escalation.
- Kim Jong Un's daughter was photographed taking aim with a rifle during a weapons presentation to North Korean officials.

TECH

- Coco delivery robots are undergoing a "reboot" to expand their market presence and service efficiency.

ENTERTAINMENT

- Warner Bros. Discovery is facing internal turmoil and "grim faces" following abrupt corporate changes.
- A planned film about Dick Cavett was reportedly derailed after a background check revealed financing ties to Jeffrey Epstein.
- Chelsea Handler has released a provocative PSA advocating for men to undergo vasectomies.
- Pete Davidson is offering a \$10,000 bounty to any collector who purchases his rare toy.
- Lifetime is releasing a film titled "Pushed Off A Plane And Survived," sparking questions regarding its factual basis.

SPORTS

- Critics have questioned the Yankees' decision to retire CC Sabathia's number, citing a perceived lowering of standards for greatness.

- Olympic snowboarder Chloe Kim revealed she disabled her direct messages due to "disturbing images" sent by users.
- Lamine Yamal scored a hat-trick to lead Barcelona to a 4-1 victory over Villarreal.
- Pakistan defeated Sri Lanka in a T20 World Cup thriller but has been eliminated from the tournament.
- Draymond Green defended Nico Harrison one year after the controversial Luka Doncic trade.

OTHER

- Historical analysis reveals how the death of Patrick Bouvier Kennedy influenced the development of fetal medicine.
- Reports indicate elite doctors continued to serve Jeffrey Epstein while he was allegedly abusing minors.

WATCHLIST / UNKNOWN

- The status of the Iranian Supreme Leader following reports that his compound was a primary target.
- The duration of the closure of the Strait of Hormuz and the subsequent impact on global oil prices.
- Whether the U.S. Congress will hold a vote to limit presidential war powers as requested by some members.
- The specific location and safety of Chet Hanks in Colombia.
- The total confirmed casualty count as independent verification of the 201 deaths reported by Tehran is pending.

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