

Israel-Gaza War: Anything Is Now Possible

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The denouement has begun, as expected, in the early hours of the eighth day after the beginning of the ceasefire, with Israeli aircraft efficiently but indiscriminately adding to the death, destruction, misery and displacement in Gaza.

Israel has its eyes on the elimination of the Palestinians.

Hamas and its allies have their eyes on the liberation of Palestine.

The US has its eyes on maintaining the power of its enforcer in West Asia.

Hezbollah, Iran, Yemen, and movements in Iraq, Türkiye, and other Arab and Muslim countries have warned that potential defeat of the Palestinian resistance, genocide of the Palestinian people and attacks against the third holiest shrine of Islam are a tripwire for their participation in the battle.

This is a very dangerous time. It's hard to say how far the escalation will go. Israel knows that it cannot endure total mobilization long term without total collapse of its economy, as well as social unrest and continued flight of its population. Its strategy is very likely to try to achieve the most extreme horrors as quickly as possible.

But such a strategy is also likely to trigger uncontrollable outrage in countries and movements that will react with military intervention, and have promised to do so. The streets of cities around the world will fill with larger crowds than ever, and rising passions may result in impatience with their own government representatives, and consequent unrest.

A dangerous time.

A time of change.

A time of turmoil.

Potentially a pivotal time in world history.

I previously wrote that 2023 will be the watershed year ending a half-millennium of Western domination of the world.

Perhaps it is fitting that the point for this pivot should be the center of the three great monotheisms on our planet. Cecil B. Deville might have imagined the script.

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