

## Headlines:

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## Details:

### **Government Negligence Massively Compounded Beirut Explosion Devastation**

The huge explosion at the Beirut port comes just as the Jewish entity was threatening attacks on Lebanese territory, so it is quite possible that the Beirut explosion was caused by an attack from the Jewish state. However, irrespective of the cause, the reason for the explosion it caused is the sheer negligence of the Lebanese government regarding an enormous stockpile of explosive chemicals held at the port. According to the *Chicago Tribune*:

*At least 10 times over the past six years, authorities from Lebanon's customs, military, security agencies and judiciary raised alarm that a massive stockpile of explosive chemicals was being kept with almost no safeguard at the port in the heart of Beirut, newly surfaced documents show.*

*Yet in a circle of negligence, nothing was done — and on Tuesday, the 2,750 tons of ammonium nitrate blew up, obliterating the city's main commercial hub and spreading death and wreckage for miles around.*

*President Michel Aoun, in office since 2016, said Friday he was first told of the dangerous stockpile nearly three weeks ago and immediately ordered military and security agencies to do "what was needed." But he suggested his responsibility ended there, saying he had no authority over the port and that previous governments had been told of its presence.*

*"Do you know how many problems have been accumulating?" Aoun replied when a reporter pressed whether he should have followed up on his order.*

Muslim countries are presently governed by Western imperialists, leaving their agent rulers in Muslim lands with administrative duties only. However, even in this most of them are grossly negligent, since the West chooses agents not for their sincerity to the Muslim Ummah but for their treachery towards it.

The Muslim Ummah will never be able to escape its ills until it expels the imperialist Western disbeliever and the agents and systems that the West use to maintain their hegemony over Muslim lands.

### **Libya: The US Makes War and the US Makes Peace**

It is the US that has been behind the wars in Libya these past years, inserting Khalifa Haftar into the Libyan administration after the fall of Qaddafi and then pushing him to attempt to take full power, leading to years of civil war. And when the US tired of Haftar, then it brought Turkish and Egyptian forces to the battlefield. But publicly, the US prefers to talk peace. According to *Middle East Eye*:

*Secretary of State Mike Pompeo raised the crisis in Libya during a call on Thursday with Foreign Minister Sameh Shoukry of Egypt, a top backer of Libya's eastern military commander Khalifa Haftar.*

*During the call, Pompeo and Shoukry discussed the "importance of supporting a UN-brokered ceasefire in Libya through political and economic talks," State Department spokesperson Cale Brown said in a statement.*

*The talks came as Turkish Foreign Minister Mevlut Cavusoglu, a crucial backer of Libya's UN-recognised government, visited Tripoli, AFP reported.*

*Cavusoglu said a ceasefire should see the UN-recognised Government of National Accord (GNA) exerting control over areas held by Haftar, who has suffered losses but still controls large parts of eastern Libya.*

The US only talks peace when the situation on the ground has reached a point that is favourable to it. Turkey has now taken full leadership of Western Libya, while Haftar remains in the East, so a settlement between West and East will naturally favour the US.

## **Erdogan Announces Drilling in Eastern Mediterranean**

Meanwhile, Turkish President Erdogan is receiving full payment for his services in Libya in drilling in the Eastern Mediterranean, something that would only be possible with American permission because of America's influence over Greece and Egypt. According to *Reuters*:

*President Tayyip Erdogan said on Friday that Turkey had resumed energy exploration work in the eastern Mediterranean as Greece had not kept its promises regarding such activities in the region.*

*NATO members Turkey and Greece have long been at loggerheads over overlapping claims for hydrocarbon resources and tensions flared up last month, prompting German Chancellor Angela Merkel to hold talks with the country's leaders to ease tensions.*

*"We have started drilling work again," Erdogan told reporters after participating in Friday prayers at the Hagia Sophia mosque. "We don't feel obliged to talk with those who do not have rights in maritime jurisdiction zones."*

*He said Turkey's Barbaros Hayreddin Pasa, a seismic survey vessel, had been sent to the region to carry out its duties. The ship moved into waters off Cyprus in late July and remains in that region.*

*Erdogan made the comments when asked about an accord signed by Egypt and Greece on Thursday designating an exclusive economic zone between the two nations in the east Mediterranean.*

*Diplomats in Greece said their agreement nullified an accord reached last year between Turkey and the internationally recognised government of Libya.*

*However, Erdogan said the Egypt-Greece accord was of no value and that Turkey would sustain its agreement with Libya "decisively". The Turkish Foreign Ministry has said the Egypt-Greece zone falls in the area of Turkey's continental shelf.*

*Turkey and Greece are also at odds over a range of issues from flights over each other's territory in the Aegean Sea to ethnically divided Cyprus.*

Historically, the eastern Mediterranean remained dominated by Islam. It is yet another tragedy today that Muslims cannot utilise it without implicit American authorisation. With Allah's permission, the Muslim Ummah shall soon overthrow these agent rulers and their Western systems of government and re-establish the righteous Islamic Khilafah (Caliphate) State on the method of the Prophet (saw) that shall implement Islam, unify Muslim lands and carry the light of Islam to the entire world.