



# DAILY SUMMARY

# The Iran–U.S. Trigger List

## Lebanon 14 October

A senior U.S. diplomat [announced](#) that Washington was providing “an additional \$67m in new U.S. support for the Lebanese Army”. She also contended that “what Iran is offering here on the energy front is a publicity stunt. A bunch of trucks full of dirty stuff that is not sustainable for the Lebanese people. What we are working on are short, medium and longer-term solutions to the energy issues that have long plagued this country, that are particularly acute now, and then onward toward clean energy in the future”.

## Riyadh/Yemen 14 October

The Saudi-led coalition [reported](#) downing a Huthi “booby-trapped drone” bound for Jizan.

## Tehran 14 October

Iran’s UN ambassador [wrote](#) to the president of the Security Council regarding “yet another explicit threat by the Israeli regime against the Islamic Republic of Iran and its peaceful nuclear program”, and argued that “the fact that the Israeli regime has admitted that it will continue to ‘destroy Iranian capabilities’ proves beyond any doubt that it has been responsible for the terrorist attacks against our peaceful nuclear program in the past”. The ambassador went on to “warn against any miscalculation and possible military adventurism”, and called for Israel to be held “fully accountable for the consequences of its unlawful measures”.

## Tehran 14 October

EU Deputy Secretary-General Enrique Mora [visited](#) Iran to [highlight](#) “the urgency to resume JCPOA negotiations in Vienna”, saying it was “crucial to pick up talks from where we left last June to continue diplomatic work”. Iran’s deputy foreign minister [told](#) Mora that “it is important for Iran to achieve tangible results... Iran is always ready for serious negotiations that result in a practical agreement, not a paper agreement”.

## Golan/MERV/Tanf 13 October

Secretary of State Antony Blinken [remarked](#) that “keeping violence down; increasing humanitarian assistance and focusing our military efforts on any terrorist groups that pose a threat to us or to our partners, with the intent and capacity to do that... are going to be the critical areas of focus for us, and they’re also, I think, important to advancing a broader political settlement to the Syrian conflict consistent with UN Security Council Resolution 2254”. He further noted that

“what we have not done and what we do not intend to do is to express any support for efforts to normalise relations or rehabilitate Mr. Assad, or lifted a single sanction on Syria or changed our position to oppose the reconstruction of Syria until there is irreversible progress toward a political solution”.

**Updated -> Golan/Israel** 13 October

Syrian state media [reported](#) Israeli airstrikes near Palmyra, which according to an unnamed military source killed one soldier and injured three. [NEW] Iran-linked forces in Syria [confirmed](#) “a number” of casualties and said that had “taken a decision to respond to this attack... and the response will be very cruel”.