

Doom Journalism has become Fake News

(GLOBALINTELHUB.COM) – 7/22/2017 Dover DE – The internet is exploding with ‘reports’ of ‘potential cataclysms’ including but not limited to [erupting super volcanoes](#), [EMP attack from North Korea](#) (or Nuclear attack from North Korea), or [just plain good old fashioned American insurrection](#) (which all should note, will void most insurance policies). The research team at [Global Intel Hub](#) has been investigating global intelligence since 2001 (It was 9/11 that started a chain of events that would lead to the formation of Global Intel Hub). We research any topic of interest, that can have implications on the financial markets, global business, and possibly most importantly our health & security (that means low probability high impact events that could greatly negatively impact our safety or health, such as an EMP or Avian Flu Pandemic).

The US Government has become the largest government organization possibly in the history of humans on planet Earth. As a percentage of global GDP, in terms of employed individuals, money spent, spheres of influence – however you look at it, it’s an octopus. It’s their job to worry about such things and prepare for it, for their customers, the US taxpayer (ahem). So we need to look at a few angles here, as this is a complex issue.

Angles (not related to James Angleton)

One – (Strategy/Tactics) “Use it or lose it” is a Modus Operandi for the US Government. For example, many budgets have rules such that, for example, there is \$2 Million per year allowed for computers, but if it’s not needed, then it’s not given. So the agency has an incentive to replace

computers each year even if it's not necessary. Thousands of such illogical rules are baked into the 'broken system' for various reasons. This applies to programs as well, not only budgets. So for example DHS doesn't have any problem justifying its R&D projects to stop terrorism, but things like NASA, Food Stamps, and thousands of other good programs are constantly struggling to justify their existence. During the cold war, billions were spent on Doomsday scenario infrastructure including underground bunkers, tunnel networks, alternative communications systems (which now is the internet). They have all this, and FEMA is the stepchild of this big brother thinking – if you want to call FEMA the Doomsday agency, it would be appropriate (although practically FEMA is really a welfare agency). So yes it's true, the US Government spends billions planning for the end of days – but don't read between the lines – it's not as if they 'know' something that the general population doesn't. And they aren't going to create an apocalypse just to live in an underground city with Dick Cheney's relatives (who would want that, really).

Two – (*Money*) The 'doom' budget is a fraction of a fraction of the overall budget, so while it is big in dollar terms, it's certainly not a priority. And don't forget, the 'doom' budget includes a host of keep-the-US-open provisions on a number of levels, such as the oil reserve.

Three – (*Super Intelligence*) The US Government is possibly the first type of global group Artificial Intelligence, as it appears to have an intelligence of its own. As such, it has created a number of mechanisms to ensure at the least, its own survival. Insurrection, Nuclear War, Super Volcanoes, Meteor Strike, and hundreds of other end game scenarios have all been gamed out in New Mexico and when the result is above a statistically significant level, they make a plan (preparation) for it. There's thousands of threats that haven't been prepared for, because they are so remote. But

let's say there's a one in a billion chance our Sun can explode, sucking the planet into a mini-black hole that would be created in the aftermath. Not a lot we could do there, so what's the point of preparing for it? This is the thinking.

Four – (Non-Human Technology) There is one huge massive gigantic glaring super-significant issue that most of the 'prepping' community has missed and either is afraid to address or has not the intellectual rigor to test the reality of the significance of their movement. What that means? It means that – there can be other explanations for USG activities, it means there can be other realities, that will explain the whys and hows of how the 'broken system' in fact works. ***That issue is Aliens.*** Let's first talk about logic and rhetoric. All the supposed 'evidence' the conspiracy crowd has about the impending apocalypse is circumstantial, compared to the evidence about Alien involvement in planet Earth. The UFO/Alien phenomenon has facts and evidence which is several sigmas more significantly significant than any 'report' issued about a Super Volcano that's about to blow. If even a fraction of information pertaining to UFO/Aliens is accurate, or even in the same ballpark, this information MUST BE considered in relation to the 'doom' scenarios painted by Doom Journalists regarding the chance of them happening and how such scenarios must play out. Aliens related or not, USG has a tunnel network built deep in the ground under USA that you could say is like a parallel universe – this network is comprised of a number of bunkers, bases, and you can even call them cities ready to be populated in the event the surface is unlivable. While the obvious Military reason for this network is to keep continuance of government and command of the Military during a Nuclear war situation, it would also serve the same purpose for many of the purported end of game scenarios suggested by these Doom Journalists such as the Super Volcano, EMP, "Planet X," and a number of other events.

Let's let facts lie where they may. There's no question, that

Earth has gone through many cataclysms, many of which could have destroyed all life on the planet at once (or in a matter of days). Will this happen in our lifetime? Who knows, there's not really enough data to calculate, because even the statistics used are based on facts which are based on 'known' events, there can be many 'unknown' events and unknown factors making statistical analysis irrelevant.

There is ONE BOOK that ALL PREPPERS and wanna-be Doom Journalists need to read, in case they haven't already, which has laid the foundation for alt-news people like Alex Jones and an entire generation of conspiracy-ers is: [Report from Iron Mountain](#)

This book is itself shrouded in mystery. Which leads to point five.

Five – (*Cultural Cultivation by Design*) In case you are not aware, the USG is actively involved in cultivating our culture, via a number of agencies but most notably, the CIA. With few exceptions – when there's a popular uprising, or any form of 'pop culture' – there seem to be deep CIA ties. Whether they are 'created' from the beginning, or they are contacted and 'cultivated' when they reach a certain level, remains to be understood by the public at large. What is clear though, there is a hidden hand that controls all media, entertainment, music, movies, magazines, books, name it. If you think this is far fetched, checkout this latest well researched article, [here: Documents Expose How Hollywood Promotes War On Behalf Of The Pentagon, CIA, & NSA:](#)

These documents for the first time demonstrate that the US government has worked behind the scenes on over 800 major movies and more than 1,000 TV titles.

Some topics are obvious, such as war movies, or movies that might promote the military, or show how the CIA is good and noble for example. But what's more enlightening and perhaps

more disturbing are the more en passant, subtle movement, such as [InQTel](#), the VC arm that invests in Silicon Valley projects, most notably Google and Facebook.

So, this article is not an expose on how the CIA is involved in pop culture. However, based on its active involvement on a number of varying levels in any popular movement (even the 'counterculture', such as was pioneered in the 60s by CIA agent Tim Leary and others), it is reasonable to assume that the USG on a number of levels is involved in the prepper movement. In fact, it's more rational than any other domestic meddling- because many of these 'movements' involve plans to exist and survive after the USG 'collapses' (for a number of reasons) – and intelligently noted in the prepper community, after going through all this hassle of storing gold, guns, toilet paper and thousands of other supplies to last you and yours until the next millennium, what's to stop a hungry Army battalion armed with Apache helicopters and high powered air to surface missiles (and a whole fun house of other weapons they've been storing for a 'rainy day') from literally raining on your parade with bullets and seizing your goods for 'the good of the government.' They say that the only real currency is 'accelerated lead' that means that those who hold Gold are foolish to think that those who hold weapons will not take it from them by force, if they choose. So it leads back to who is the world's biggest prepper – and the answer is simple – it's the US Military, which is very well funded, on all continents, operates a secure internet, thousands of blast proof sites, nuclear bunkers, and basically every 'prepping' mechanism one can think of – because that's what the Army does, they prepare for war. And when there is no war, they train and prepare. So effectively, if you are a prepper, you are really a revolutionary, preparing to go head to head with the largest military in the world, should a Super Volcano erupt. Basically, preppers are the modern 'anarchists' which the FBI was created in order to reign in. If any of these 'preppers' feel as if they are 'hiding' deep in the wilderness

of Montana or Idaho, they need to look into public technology that allows anyone with an internet browser to collect gobs of data on just about any individual or group inside the USA without accessing private networks (which the USG certainly has access to). So, their dreams are foolish.

So now that prepping has gone mainstream, [and we're seeing the trendy billionaire class have at it](#), you can bet the CIA is there. Whether they are in the 'monitoring' phase or the 'cultivation' phase, would be difficult to determine in real time (it's hard to determine even in the past with lots of documents how 'involved' they were in various important cultural events, like the Moon landing and so on) – but it's safe to say, there is an agenda behind promoting the 'doom culture' as it has become popular. Terrorists are on the run, war with any real country is not a possibility in modern times – so we're going to have to 'invent' a new enemy, like in 1984. That enemy is simply the unknown. We really don't know, if the Volcano in Yellowstone will erupt. So we better start preparing for it, and hundreds of other things including but not limited to Alien invasion, which could be a great dramatic staged false flag hoax reason to get the population to once again, rally together like we all did after 9/11 to 'chase them back to their planet' – if you think this is far fetched just spend the weekend or an entire week reading about USG involvement with Aliens including but not limited to technology transfer to major publicly listed corporations, various military reverse engineered technology, and other significant events – more significant than 'Russia' which is the most irrelevant issue Democrats could have possibly picked in their futile attempt to manipulate public opinion.

It's important that smart people learn about this issue now because it most certainly will be used by the deep state to try to manipulate the people again, but it's a serious issue – it's not like this nonsense about Trump and Russia (like who cares if Trump had a Russian partner, the Mayor of New York is

Russian but no one bothered to question him about his potential Leninist background??).

Six – (Infrastructure) All this doom infrastructure exists and continues to be built, but is largely used for daily routine business ‘on the surface’ – let’s use the best example of the internet itself. The internet was the first major alternative communication network built originally during World War 2 but the major nodes and cables really were laid in the 1960’s during the peak of the Cold War ‘fears’ – and the internet is the largest part of any post-apocalyptic infrastructure because, communication is the foundation for any civilization.

It’s the difference between a post-event civilization and anarchy, such as portrayed in the film “The Postman.” The internet is by design, capable of being ‘cut’ at multiple points and still functioning. In fact, most reading this are only aware of the world wide web (WWW) on which this article is published, but there are in fact many ‘internets’ (George W Bush made a *lapsus mentis* grammatical error in his famous popular mistake saying ‘internets’ as he was logically correct) that run in parallel to the main internet (or WWW), [such as SIPRnet](#):

According to the U.S. Department of State Web Development Handbook, domain structure and naming conventions are the same as for the open internet, except for the addition of a [second-level domain](#), like, e.g., “sgov” between state and gov: [openforum.state.sgov.gov](#).^[3] Files originating from SIPRNet are marked by a header tag “SIPDIS” (SIPrnet DIStribution).^[4] A corresponding second-level domain [smil.mil](#) exists for DoD users.^[5] According to the Pentagon, SIPRNet has approximately 4.2 million users.^[6] Access is also available to a “...small pool of trusted allies, including Australia, Canada, the United Kingdom and New Zealand...”^[7] This group (including the US) is known as the [Five Eyes](#). SIPRNet was one of the networks accessed

by [Chelsea Manning](#), convicted of leaking the video used in [WikiLeaks' "Collateral Murder" release](#)^[8] as well as the source of the [US diplomatic cables](#) published by WikiLeaks in November 2010.^[9]

So it is no surprise, that the CIA and Military in general plays a big role in publicly used networks like Google and Facebook. The internet was built in the 1960's and was made public in the 1990's – maybe in 20 or 30 years we'll be travelling from Atlanta to Los Angeles via underground high speed rail network?

Seven – (Synthesis, Integration) Part of the genius of the AI entity we call US Government (USG) is how it **integrates** in society and in 'the system' currently Capitalism. If we observe the Military design once again, it is compartmentalized in different states, the idea being that one state, will not be so powerful because they control the building of Nuclear Missiles, for example, and might use this power against a rival state. Parts for Nuclear Submarines are made in many places, assembled in yet another place. The entire USG is designed like this. How it works socially – the USG functions as a huge customer for corporate America. So when we speak of the CIA, the content of what the CIA really is in operation, about 60% of operations are outsourced to corporations, both public and private. Even public companies, such as Raytheon (RTN) have contracts with the CIA to provide various services. So when we're talking about the USG, it's not just a 'government' like your local city council. It's a super-super state, a real super-entity. Whether this happened by evolution or by intelligent design is not really a relevant question (because the answer can be one in the same, i.e. God created evolution – that's the answer Creationists need). The important aspect to understand is how ingenious this is. It virtually guarantees it's own success because all parts of the whole have a vested interest in seeing the system continue,

although in a slightly evolved form. That means USG encourages protests, special interests, and even allows foreign influence (Israel, for example) making USA the de-facto one world government. What USG will punish with impunity is insurrection; making any attempt to overthrow the USG and establishing a different, alternate form of government and economy virtually impossible. Because any remote group would quickly be observed by the NSA and other surveillance apparatus ([this was the failure of HAL – ‘just what do you think you’re doing Dave’ wasn’t enough to stop Dave from decommissioning HAL](#)). The apparatus is so many generations ahead of any potential threats to its existence the NSA would probably know about the first meeting of a planned revolution before it happened (as now everything is electronic, and these ‘ideas’ can only come from certain sources which are tracked, such as portrayed poorly in the film “Conspiracy Theory” with Mel Gibson checking out the book “Catcher in the Rye” – the real book probably [Report from Iron Mountain](#) however, one must understand the thinking here. By cultivating pop culture, and by cultivating a ‘revolutionary’ is the real way to stop any real existential threat, what the USG learned in the 1960’s. That means foolish youths who may have such tendencies are molded and shaped from their beginnings, that they end up becoming corporate slaves, and not the Unabomber.

Preppers, meaning real preppers, are largely outcasts of the system, that means with the exception of Billionaire preppers (who aren’t really preppers, for them buying a bunker is just another luxurious indulgence), preppers are the modern day hippie – they are ‘the fringe’ – and since the 1950’s especially, the CIA and others (FBI too) has been monitoring and actively involved with fringe elements. That means how do we know – who is the real prepper, and who is the PLANT. How do we know, if Alex Jones is really a CIA asset, or the hundreds of other newer would be Doom Journalists. In some way they are promoting this new semi-mainstream prepper culture, just by talking about it and giving it significance.

And again, of course the threats of these events are real – there is no question about that. But if a Tsunami wipes out 99% of the population of the East Coast of America due to a [Super Volcano erupting on the Canary Islands such as Cumbre Vieja](#), what could one really do about it? As we've outlined, if you were able to survive such a widespread devastating event in the mountains in Colorado in your own private bunker, you'd have to fight the USG and the Military in the aftermath, so you should be prepared to fight them or join them. And most of the preppers are preppers because they either don't agree with the USG or believe that they are 'lying' to us in which case they would be reluctant to be part of the 'join them' crowd, meaning that preppers are all potential revolutionaries, even if they don't want to 'overthrow' the government, in a doomsday scenario where resources are scarce, they'd be putting themselves in a conflict situation just by surviving such an event. This is the key logic that 90% of preppers generally haven't thought of, and it's a lot more important to think about this 'plan' than buying gas masks and other paraphernalia. In fact the mainstream way that preppers are 'preparing' is mostly all wrong; keeping a 5 year food supply and Gold bars and ammunition in your basement is not really a plan. Of course, that is the mainstream prepper crowd there are hardcore guys, again mostly ex-Military, who understand the realities of a post-event scenario that are really ready to survive in the wild. They know the simple truth about War – combat is more about camping and survival in the wild than firing bullets.

For those who are skeptical about this intelligence analysis, first they should read this book which is quite dated, which is the foundation for the modern conspiracy movement, which is largely controlled by the same elements. Call it the shadow government, call them think tanks, call it Adam Smith's 'hidden hand' – these are the forces behind the Doom Culture.

[MUST READ: Report from Iron Mountain](#)

Remember one final thing – the bosses and owners of all this system live in Del Mar, California and Boca Raton, Florida. They don't want to spend the rest of their lives eating MRE's deep underground and using self-wiping toilets. There's a vested interest in all to keep things functioning normally on the surface, and that's what they are paid to do. Part of the Doom government exists completely to plan and protect the population from such extreme events. If they succeed, then there's no reason to prepare to the extent that many do. And if they fail, you can bet they are coming after your food supply first! So keep this in mind when reading the Doom Journalism that has become popular today.

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Puerto Rico Tax Research

One hedge-fund manager, Pascal Forest, has taken the additional step of setting up his firm, Forest Investments LLC, in San Juan. Forest, a former portfolio manager at London-based BlueGold Capital Management LLP, said the tax incentives played into his decision to move to the island, as did his wife, who is Puerto Rican and wanted to come home after 16 years.

In order to become eligible for the new tax breaks, a person must live on the island for at least 183 days a year and prove that a preponderance of his social and family connections are there. Any person who moves to the island signs a contract with the government that guarantees the tax break through Dec. 31, 2035.

“You have to actually become a bona fide resident of Puerto Rico, bring your children,” said Fernando Goyco-Covas, a tax lawyer at Adsuar Muniz Goyco Seda & Perez-Ochoa PSC. “You cannot do this just claiming you are a resident.”

<http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2013-03-11/paulson-said-to-explore-puerto-rico-as-home-with-low-tax.html>

Puerto Rico occupies a space between foreign and domestic status with U.S. citizenship for residents, its own Olympic team and a tax system that allows individuals and companies the chance to elude the IRS.

The U.S. territory’s leaders are seeking to lure mainland residents such as hedge-fund billionaire John Paulson. Moving to Puerto Rico could allow Paulson and other top-earning taxpayers to shield future income from the Internal Revenue Service without giving up their passports.

Puerto Rico, eager for economic growth, is making an unusually direct pitch to wealthy Americans that risks a political backlash from Congress, said John Buckley, a former tax counsel for Democrats on the House Ways and Means Committee.

<http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2013-03-14/puerto-rico-beyond-irs-reach-woos-paulson-sized-fortunes.html>

The catch is that you can’t just set up a post office box and call yourself a resident. You have to move for real. Like Damon Vickers has.

The zero percent tax on investment income, and the 4 percent corporate tax, went into effect at the start of 2012. The goal is for 500 wealthy investors to come in the next four years. So far, 77 have applied.

The investment tax breaks are guaranteed until 2036. Only congressional action – or granting Puerto Rico statehood – would put a stop to them. But while some say this is just

Puerto Rico becoming the latest tax haven, there has been little serious opposition.

<http://www.npr.org/2013/06/28/195152925/puerto-rico-rolling-out-the-welcome-mat-for-millionaires>

IRS Research

The IRS is cracking down on small businesses

The IRS says it is trying to identify businesses that get “an unusually high portion” of their reported sales through credit card transactions. The thinking is that a lot of cash transactions might be going unreported.

To decide who gets letters, the IRS compares a business’s credit card and cash receipts with industry averages.

One recipient was the owner of a baking equipment supply company (who preferred to remain anonymous). The IRS sent her a letter on May 28 saying that 80% of her \$549,955 in annual revenue came from credit card swipes.

<http://money.cnn.com/2013/08/19/smallbusiness/irs-crackdown/index.html?iid=Lead>

WASHINGTON, July 24 (Reuters) – The U.S. Internal Revenue Service is pursuing tax enforcement cases against companies over the issue of “stateless income,” a senior agency official said on Wednesday in a reference to corporate profits that are not taxed by any country.

Erik Corwin, an IRS deputy chief counsel, said there were international tax disputes with companies, “most involving consequences of complex restructurings designed either to create stateless income or to affect a tax efficient repatriation.”

“So those are a family of cases that are in the pipeline and being looked at,” he told tax lawyers in a speech in Washington.

[IRS Pursuing Crackdown On ‘Stateless Income’ Tax Loophole: Official](#)

In this [report](#), the Inspector notes that employers and workers alike can seek determinations about worker status from the IRS. See TIGTA Report No. 2013-30-058, [Employers Do Not Always Follow Internal Revenue Service Worker Determination Rulings](#). Nevertheless, the report says millions of workers are misclassified as independent contractors instead of employees. These employers are dramatically underpaying employment taxes, and that hurts everyone, the report claims.

[IRS Inspector Urges Crackdown On Mislabeling ‘Independent Contractors’ – Forbes](#)

Thorium Research

[Thorium-based nuclear power – Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia](#)

Thorium-based nuclear power is nuclear reactor-based electrical power generation fueled, ultimately, by the element thorium. According to proponents, a thorium fuel cycle offers several potential advantages over a uranium fuel cycle—including much greater abundance on Earth, superior physical and nuclear fuel properties, and reduced nuclear waste production. However, it suffers from higher production and processing costs, and lacks significant weaponization potential. Since about 2008, nuclear energy experts have become more interested in thorium to supply nuclear fuel in place of uranium to generate nuclear

power.

A nuclear reactor consumes certain specific fissile isotopes to make energy. The three most practical ones are:

Uranium-235, purified from natural mined uranium. Most nuclear power has been generated this way.

Plutonium-239, transmuted from Uranium-238, from natural mined uranium. Plutonium is also used for weapons.

Uranium-233, transmuted from Thorium-232, from natural mined thorium. That is the subject of this article.

Some believe thorium is key to developing a new generation of cleaner, safer nuclear power.^{[1][2]} According to an opinion piece (not peer-reviewed) published in a major scientific journal, considering its overall potential, thorium-based power “can mean a 1000+ year solution or a quality low-carbon bridge to truly sustainable energy sources solving a huge portion of mankind’s negative environmental impact.”^[3]

After studying the feasibility of using thorium, nuclear scientists Ralph W. Moir and Edward Teller suggested that thorium nuclear research should be restarted after a three-decade shutdown and that a small prototype plant should be built.^{[4][5]} Research and development of thorium-based nuclear reactors, primarily the Liquid fluoride thorium reactor (LFTR), MSR design, has been or is now being done in India, China, Norway, U.S., Israel and Russia.

[This Thorium Reactor Has the Power of a Norse God](#)

[The Energy From Thorium Foundation The Energy From Thorium Foundation](#)

[Uranium Is So Last Century – Enter Thorium, the New Green Nuke | Wired Magazine | Wired.com](#)

[China Is Using US Research to Take the Lead on Thorium Reactor Development | Motherboard](#) – Includes good video from Thorium advocates

[T.E.A. – Conference 5](#)

**THE THORIUM PROBLEM – Danger
of existing thorium**

**regulation to U.S.
manufacturing and energy
sector**

**Thorium reactors and their
feasibility: Thomas Drolet on
Cambridge House**

**The Thorium Molten-Salt
Reactor: Why Didn't This
Happen (and why is now the
right time?)**

**Robert Hargraves – Thorium
Energy Cheaper than Coal @
ThEC12**

India's experimental Thorium

Fuel Cycle Nuclear Reactor [NDTV Report]

ORNL Thorium Molten Salt Reactor Experiment Researchers – Dick Engel & Syd Ball – Dinner & Interview

Articles about dangerous current nuclear technology

Recent disclosures of tons of [radioactive water](#) from the damaged Fukushima reactors spilling into the ocean are just the latest evidence of the continuing incompetence of the Japanese utility, TEPCO. The announcement that the Japanese government will step in is also not reassuring since it was the Japanese government that failed to regulate the utility for decades. But, bad as it is, the current contamination of the ocean should be the least of our worries. The radioactive poisons are expected to form a plume that will be carried by currents to coast of North America. But the effects will be small, adding an unfortunate bit to our background radiation. Fish swimming through the plume will be affected, but we can avoid eating them.

http://www.huffingtonpost.com/charles-perrow/fukushima-forever_b_3941589.html?view=print&comm_ref=false

Fukushima Research

[Model simulations on the long-term dispersal of \$^{137}\text{Cs}\$ released into the Pacific Ocean off Fukushima – OceanRep](#)

[Time for Japan to take control of the Fukushima disaster | Greenpeace International](#)

[NYTimes: 400 tons of highly radioactive water going into Pacific each day from Fukushima plant, says Tepco – Top Nuclear Regulator: This is a crisis](#)

[Tepco Official: This is extremely serious – We are unable to control radioactive water seeping out of Fukushima plant \(VIDEO\)](#)

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[Fukushima Reactor Disaster](#) – Archive with hundreds of articles and videos

Yemen Research

8/7/2013 Plot Foiled

[Yemen says it foiled major al-Qaeda plot](#)

SANAA, Yemen (AP) – Authorities foiled plots by al-Qaida to take over key cities in southern Yemen and attack strategic ports and gas facilities, a government spokesman said Wednesday amid a heightened alert that has seen Western embassies evacuated and a new suspected U.S. drone strike that killed seven alleged militants from the terrorist group.

Al-Qaida planned to target the cities of Mukalla and Bawzeer, then send militants disguised as Yemeni troops to attack two strategic oil ports in the impoverished country on the Arabian Peninsula, government spokesman Rageh Badi said.

hosted.ap.org/dynamic/stories/M/ML_YEMEN?SITE=7219&SECTION=HOME&TEMPLATE=DEFAULT&CTIME=2013-08-07-10-19-58

A strike carried out by a U.S. unmanned aerial vehicle on Aug. 7 killed at least six suspected al Qaeda militants in southern Yemen's Shabwa province, Reuters reported, citing witnesses and local officials. At least six missiles were fired at two vehicles in an area about 70 kilometers (50 miles) north of the provincial capital, Ataq.

Yemeni tribesmen shot down an army helicopter with a rocket, killing eight soldiers, during a clash regarding repairs to a sabotaged pipeline, a tribal chief said, AFP reported Aug. 6. Tribesmen attacked the pipeline Aug. 4, stopping the flow of crude exports.

[Yemen says major al Qaeda plot thwarted as another suspected drone strike kills at least 6 militants – CBS News](#)

AQAP

For the West, AQAP presents three dangers:

- locally, to western embassies and citizens in Yemen
- inspirationally, to potential jihadists around the world through its online magazine Inspire
- globally, by putting bombs on planes

[BBC News – Why al-Qaeda in Yemen scares the West](#)

Al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula (AQAP; Arabic: القاعدة في جزيرة العرب, *Al-Qaida fi Jazirat al-'Arab*) is a militant Islamist organization, primarily active in Yemen and Saudi Arabia. It was named for al-Qaeda, and says it is subordinate to that group and its now-deceased leader Osama bin Laden, a Saudi citizen whose father was born in Yemen. It is considered the most active^[3] of Al-Qaeda's branches, or "franchises," that emerged due to weakening central leadership.^[4]

[Al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula – Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia](#)

[BBC News – Yemen security crackdown as UK and US withdraw staff](#)

[US military evacuates embassy staff from Yemen over terror threat, Americans urged to leave | Fox News](#)

[BBC News – US embassy closures extended over militant threat fears](#)

[BBC News – Al-Qaeda leaders' talks 'sparked US embassy](#)

[closures'](#)

About Yemen

Yemen ⁱ/ˈjɛmən/ (Arabic: اليَمَن *al-Yaman*) officially known as the **Republic of Yemen** (Arabic: الجمهورية اليمنية *al-Jumhūriyyah al-Yamaniyyah*), is an [Arab](#) country located in [Western Asia](#), occupying the southwestern to southern end of the [Arabian Peninsula](#). It is bordered by [Saudi Arabia](#) to the north, the [Red Sea](#) to the west, the [Gulf of Aden](#) and [Arabian Sea](#) to the south, and [Oman](#) to the east.

Yemen is one of the oldest centers of [civilization](#) in the [Near East](#).^[5] Its capital and largest city is [Sana'a](#). Yemen's territory includes more than 200 [islands](#), the largest of which is [Socotra](#), about 354 km (220 mi) to the south of mainland Yemen. It is the only state in the Arabian Peninsula to have a purely [republican](#) form of government.^[6] Yemen was the first country in the Arabian peninsula to grant women the right to vote.^[7] [Yemeni unification](#) took place on 22 May 1990, when [North Yemen](#) was united with [South Yemen](#), forming the Republic of Yemen.

The majority of Yemen's population is divided into tribal groups, especially in the northern areas of the country where 85% of local residents belong to various tribes^[8] There are also small groups of peoples of [Turkish/Ottoman](#) origin in urban areas.^[9] Yemen is a member of the [United Nations](#), the [Arab League](#), and the [Organisation of Islamic Cooperation](#) and [Ali Abdullah Saleh](#) was the first elected president of the reunified Yemen. Since the 1990s, the [Houthis](#) (an armed [Zaydi](#) group) has attempted to establish Zaydi [Shia](#) principles in the country^[10].

[Yemen – Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia](#)

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[United Kingdom corporation tax – Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia](#)

[www.sbs.ox.ac.uk/centres/tax/Documents/Corporate tax in the United Kingdom.pdf](http://www.sbs.ox.ac.uk/centres/tax/Documents/Corporate%20tax%20in%20the%20United%20Kingdom.pdf)

[HM Revenue & Customs: Who is liable for Corporation Tax](#) Official UK Revenue Dept.

LLP pays no tax like US S-Corp

In the [United Kingdom](#) LLPs are governed by the [Limited Liability Partnerships Act 2000](#) (in [Great Britain](#)) and the [Limited Liability Partnerships Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2002](#) in [Northern Ireland](#). A UK limited liability partnership is a corporate body – that is to say, it has a continuing legal existence independent of its members, as compared to a [Partnership](#) which may (in England and Wales, does not) have a

legal existence dependent upon its membership.

A UK LLP's members have a collective ("Joint") responsibility, to the extent that they may agree in an "LLP agreement", but no individual ("several") responsibility for each other's actions. As with a [limited company](#) or [a corporation](#), members in an LLP cannot, in the absence of fraud or wrongful trading, lose more than they invest.

In relation to tax, however, a UK LLP is similar to a partnership, namely, it is tax-transparent, that is to say it pays no UK [corporation tax](#) or [capital gains tax](#). Instead, LLP income and/or gains are distributed gross to partners as self-employed persons, rather than as PAYE employees. It is a unique entity in its synthesis of collective and individual rights and responsibilities and its flexibility – there is in fact no requirement for the LLP agreement even to be in writing because simple partnership-based regulations apply by way of default provisions.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Limited_liability_partnership

Guide to UK Tax for foreign investors

<http://www.hooperand.co.uk/guide-to-uk-taxation-for-foreign-investors/>

<http://www.cbi.org.uk/business-issues/tax/corporation-tax/>

The Isle of Man and Jersey have hit back at accusations that they facilitate tax evasion and avoidance ahead of next week's G8 summit.

The offshore jurisdictions, frequently described as tax havens, suggest recent pressure from world leaders is politically motivated.

They also argue that they are more open about their tax regimes than they are given credit for.

G8 leaders will hold their latest summit in Northern Ireland on Monday.

Ways of combating aggressive tax avoidance and mass tax evasion are expected to be high on the agenda of leaders including UK Prime Minister David Cameron, US President Barack Obama and Germany's Chancellor Angela Merkel.

Up to now the focus of the world's media has been on big countries pointing their fingers at small islands – accusing them of helping big corporations and wealthy individuals avoid paying tax.

'Scapegoats'

But now the leaders of some of those offshore financial centres suggest that the world's largest economies should get their own tax house in order first.

"Politicians love scapegoats," said the Isle of Man's Chief Minister Allan Bell. "And the G8 agenda is being politically driven because there's always someone else to point a finger at."

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We just want a level playing field when it comes to tax transparency"

Allan Bell
Isle of Man Chief Minister

There is no universally accepted definition of a tax haven, but international bodies cite low tax rates and secretive financial systems as the major characteristics.

Most companies pay no corporation tax in the Isle of Man, but the island has recently signed tax information sharing agreements with the UK, US and European countries.

Mr Bell said that when it comes to tracing who actually owns

some of the world's more secretive bank accounts, the Isle of Man is a decade ahead of other larger countries especially the UK and the US.

He also accused President Obama of double standards, given that the US federal government has no direct control over the tax policies of individual states.

That is especially relevant when it comes to the tiny US state of Delaware which has only 900,000 citizens but over a million registered companies – most of which are “brass plate” entities controlled by very private entities or individuals.

“We just want a level playing field when it comes to tax transparency,” said Mr Bell.

“It's totally selfish from the USA because they want to track down their own tax evaders overseas, without looking at Delaware.”

The channel island of Jersey also charges zero corporation tax for foreign-owned companies.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/business-22888306>

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/finance/newsbysector/retailandconsumer/9187638/Amazon-faces-UK-corporation-tax-probe.html>

The company disclosed the investigation in a filing with US financial regulators. It was alleged that the company recorded sales of more than £7.6bn in Britain over the past three years without paying corporation tax.

Amazon does not disclose how much tax it pays in Britain.

However, its main UK subsidiary, Amazon.co.uk, is regarded as a “service company” rather than a retailer.

That means that the British company provides services to a parent company based in Luxembourg, where the tax rate is lower, the Guardian said.

HM Revenues & Customs declined to comment on whether it was

examining Amazon. The report added that the investigation could be a routine audit.

<http://www.cbi.org.uk/business-issues/tax/corporation-tax/corporation-tax-12-misunderstood-concepts/where-income-is-earned/>

The UK is home to a larger number of multinationals than might otherwise be expected based on the size of the UK economy alone. This is through a fortuitous mix of history, the pre-eminence of the London financial markets, investments in infrastructure and a stable regulatory environment. These UK headquartered multinationals may generate huge revenues from their worldwide operations but have only small or sometimes no UK based operating activities.

It is important to understand that the headline sales number (sometimes also referred to as turnover or gross revenues) is not equivalent to net profits or net income, as this figure does not take into account all the business expenses incurred to generate those sales revenues. Taxable profits are gross sales or revenues, less business expenses, plus or minus any adjustments required or permitted by the tax law (see Concept 9). In the case of a UK permanent establishment of an overseas company, the profits are based on amounts attributable to that business activity in the UK.

Where a UK company has established a business presence in another country (either as a subsidiary or as a branch/permanent establishment) then, subject to certain exceptions, the taxable profits of those companies earned in other countries will not generally be subject to UK taxation (see Concept 6).

<http://www.independent.co.uk/news/business/news/sold-down-the-river-how-thames-water-diverts-its-tax-liability-via-the-caribbean-despite-549m-profit-and-67-price-hike-8652305.html?origin=internalSearch>

Britain's largest water company has been accused of "ripping

off the taxpayer” after it emerged it paid no corporation tax last year despite making profits over half a billion pounds.

Thames Water put up customer bills by 6.7 per cent, awarded its chief executive a £274,000 bonus and made profits of £549 million on a turn-over of £1.8bn.

But it succeeded in cutting its tax bill to zero and was handed a £5m credit from the Treasury by writing off investments in infrastructure against the amount it was due to pay the Government.

The company’s accounts also show it paid £328.2 million interest on “intercompany loans” via a Cayman Islands funding vehicle to pay external bondholders such as pension funds.

While legal, the head of industry regulator Ofwat warned that the large profits and complex tax arrangements of some water companies were “morally questionable”.

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HM Revenue and Customs should “fully investigate” Google after information from whistleblowers “undermined” the firm’s defence of its tax arrangements, a committee of MPs has said.

Google says that advertising sales take place in low-tax Ireland, not the UK.

But the Public Accounts Committee (PAC) said it had been told by ex-employees of the tech giant that UK-based staff are engaged in selling.

The company generated \$18bn (£11.5bn) in revenue from the UK between 2006 and 2011 and paid just \$16m (£10m) in UK corporate taxes in the same period.

Companies pay corporation tax on their profits, not their

sales. But the current debate revolves around the apparent ability of multinationals to move their profits from country to country with little obvious relationship to where the sales are generated.