# TODAY'S MEDIA TRENDS

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# FRAGILE CESSATION:

## The Islamabad MoU & Regional Dynamics - June 19-20, 2026

A "Hot Ceasefire" amidst Kinetic Operations and Deepening Distrust

### DAY-AT-A-GLANCE

#### THE ISLAMABAD MEMORANDUM

- Signed in Islamabad
- Ends "Ramadan War" (Iranian Media)
- 14-Point Framework
- 60-Day Finalization Window
- US Naval Withdrawal from Persian Gulf (30 Days)
- $300 Billion Reconstruction Fund (Speculative Source).

#### ONGOING VOLATILITY

- Intensified Kinetic Operations
- Israeli Air Strikes (100+/Day, 47 Killed)
- Hezbollah Retaliation (Rockets, 3 Merkava Tanks Destroyed)
- Iranian/Hezbollah: "Ceasefire Must Apply to All Fronts"
- Iranian Vigilance: "Fingers on the Trigger"

### MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS & KEY GOVERNANCE TOPICS

#### STRAIT OF HORMUZ CONTROL

- Iran Asserts Full Control
- 60-Day Transit Fee Waiver for Commercial Vessels
- Warning: Return to Hostilities = Immediate Closure
- 95% Traffic Drop During War.

#### REGIONAL AI & TECH SOVEREIGNTY

- Iranian Drone Strikes on UAE/Bahrain Data Centers
- Stalls Regional AI Cluster Plans
- Iran Deploys Pro SPECT2 Cardiac Imaging (Domestic, Lower Cost)
- Narrative: "Tech Sovereignty" vs. Western Sanctions

#### DIPLOMACY & STATECRAFT

- Pakistan & Qatar Facilitated MoU
- Shift to Regional Mediators
- Swiss Technical Talks Canceled (J.D. Vance Delay)
- Germany Loses UN Security Council Bid (Pro-Israel Stance)

#### MACROECONOMICS & ARMED CONFLICT

- Global Oil Inventories Low
- Pakistan-Iran Trade Push ($10B Goal)
- "Ramadan War" Casualties: 3,469 Killed, 10% Residential Units Destroyed
- Iranian Army/IRGC on Combat Readiness

### DEEP DIVE: TRENDS & THEMES

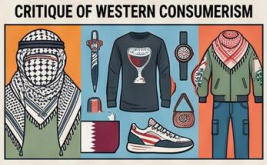
#### THE PARADOX OF A "HOT CEASEFIRE"

- Disconnect between MoU & Lebanon Escalation
- Framed as Israeli Sabotage vs. US Withdrawal Desire
- Allows Claims of Progress while Maintaining Military Pressure

#### ASYMMETRIC ECONOMIC WARFARE

- Iran Uses "Geographic Leverage" (Strait of Hormuz)
- Threat of Significant Economic Harm
- Conventional Military Superiority "Neutralized" by Disruption & Drone Tech.

#### CRITIQUE OF WESTERN CONSUMERISM



- Narrative: Western System "Commodifies" Struggle
- Turns Symbols into Trends to Neutralize Resistance & Replace Political Action

### INTERNAL DYNAMICS & GLOBAL POSTURE

#### INTERNAL INSTABILITY

**IRAN:** Projects Unity (Rallies in Ilam, Karman Shah)
- Domestic Pressure for Retaliation for "Martyred Leader"

**US:** Profound Internal Crisis
- "Legalized Bribery" (Lobbying)
- Tension: Trump vs. Cabinet ("Munchkins")
- High Inflation

**ISRAEL:** "Delusional Disconnect"
- Netanyahu's "Liberation Narratives"
- Left-Leaning Flight, Radicalized Leadership

#### EXTERNAL DYNAMICS

- Shifting Landscape: US Hegemony Replaced by Regional Alliances & "Transnational Monopolies". Iran as Central Node in "Multipolar Order" (Coordination with China)
- Strait of Hormuz under "Iranian and Omani Control".

### ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT, LEADERSHIP, & FUTURE OUTLOOK

#### ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT

- Extreme Volatility
- Weaponization of Trade Routes
- Discrepancies on $300B Fund
- Oil Prices Fell post-MoU (Low Inventories)
- 95% Shipping Drop in Strait
- US Inflation vs. Iranian Domestic Tech Savings

#### LEADERSHIP CHANGES & EDITORIAL POSTURE

**PRESIDENT PAZISHKAN (Iran):** Takes Full Responsibility for MoU Implementation

**BENJAMIN NETANYAHU (Israel):** On Verge of Losing Power, Cabinet Attacks MoU

**J.D. VANCE (US VP):** Emerging Conservative Voice, Delayed Talks

**ITAMAR BEN-GVIR (Israel):** Characterized as Extremist

**PRESS TV:** Militant & Nationalist Posture Focus on "American Surrender" & Israeli Atrocities

#### HYPOTHESES & RISK ASSESSMENT

**HYPOTHESES:**
- Escalation in Lebanon May Break MoU (60 Days)
- Iran Pivots Energy to East (China/Russia)
- US Internal Pressure May Collapse Deal (Late 2026)

**RISKS:**
- Regional War Expansion (High Likelihood)
- Global Energy Shock (Moderate Likelihood)
- US Domestic Policy Reversal (Moderate Likelihood)
- Cyber-Physical AI Attacks (Moderate Likelihood)
- Nuclear Miscalculation (Low Likelihood)

**RECOMMENDATIONS:** Establish Maritime Communication Channel. Formalize Reconstruction Fund via Regional Banks. Expand Agreement to Comprehensive Regional Ceasefire.
**PRIVATE SECTOR:** Reroute Sensitive Shipments. Monitor Regulatory Compliance. Decouple AI from Military Applications.

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THE SIGNING OF THE ISLAMABAD MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN IRAN AND THE UNITED STATES MARKS A FRAGILE CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES AMIDST ONGOING REGIONAL KINETIC OPERATIONS AND DEEPENING SYSTEMIC DISTRUST.

### DAY-AT-A-GLANCE

The diplomatic landscape of June 19-20, 2026, is dominated by the announcement of a memorandum of understanding (MoU) signed in Islamabad between the Islamic Republic of Iran and the United States. This agreement ostensibly ends what Iranian media characterizes as a 40-day aggression or a "Ramadan War" that began in late February 2026. While the broadcast portrays the signing as an American strategic retreat and a historic victory for Iran, the reality on the ground remains volatile. A 60-day window has been established to finalize the deal, yet technical talks in Switzerland were abruptly canceled following the delay of US Vice President J.D. Vance's trip.

Despite the formal cessation of hostilities outlined in the MoU, kinetic operations have intensified in Southern Lebanon. Israeli forces are reported to have conducted over 100 air strikes in a single day, targeting civilian infrastructure and causing dozens of casualties. Iranian and Hezbollah officials maintain that the ceasefire must apply to "all fronts," and they characterize continued Israeli actions in Lebanon and Gaza as blatant violations of the framework. Iran's military remains in a state of high vigilance, with leadership repeatedly warning that their "fingers are on the trigger" should the agreement be breached.

Simultaneously, Iran is projecting domestic stability and technological resilience. The broadcast highlights advancements in nuclear medicine and AI infrastructure, suggesting that years of sanctions have forced the development of parallel, robust internal systems. This narrative of "tech sovereignty" is coupled with a critique of Western "commodification" of political symbols, arguing that the global consumerist system attempts to strip resistance movements of their ideological depth. The convergence of these events suggests an administration attempting to lock in a favorable diplomatic settlement while preparing for a potential resumption of high-intensity conflict.

## MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS

- **Islamabad Memorandum of Understanding:** Iran and the US have signed a 14-point framework aimed at ending the war. Key provisions include the removal of naval forces from the Persian Gulf within 30 days and the creation of a $300 billion reconstruction fund for Iran, though the source of these funds remains a point of intense speculation and US domestic pushback.
- **Control of the Strait of Hormuz:** Iran has asserted full administrative and military control over the waterway. In a gesture of "good faith," Tehran has waived transit fees for commercial vessels for 60 days, while maintaining that any return to hostilities will result in an immediate closure.
- **Escalation in Lebanon:** Despite the MoU, Israeli strikes have killed at least 47 people since midnight. Hezbollah has responded with retaliatory rocket fire and claims to have destroyed three Merkava tanks during border incursions.
- **Regional AI Infrastructure Risks:** Iranian drone strikes have reportedly targeted data centers in the UAE and Bahrain, significantly stalling plans for a regional 8-10 gigawatt AI compute capacity cluster.
- **UN Security Council Credibility Crisis:** Germany has lost its bid for a temporary seat on the UN Security Council, with diplomats citing Berlin's "unwavering support" for Israeli actions as a primary cause for its loss of international standing.

## KEY GOVERNANCE TOPICS

### Armed Conflict & Militarization

- The "Ramadan War" has resulted in significant Iranian casualties, with official figures citing 3,469 killed and 10% of residential units destroyed.
- The Iranian Army and IRGC have declared a state of continuous combat readiness to confront any violation of the Islamabad agreement.

### Diplomacy & Statecraft

- The Islamabad MoU was facilitated by Pakistan and Qatar, signaling a shift in mediation towards regional powers rather than traditional Western actors.
- The failure of the Swiss negotiations to start as scheduled highlights a breakdown in the technical implementation phase of the ceasefire.

### Tech Sovereignty & AI

- Iran has deployed the **Pro SPECT2** cardiac imaging system in hospitals, claiming a 100,000 euro saving per unit compared to Western imports.
- The Persian Gulf AI buildout is described as being on the verge of collapse if kinetic aggression against Iran resumes.

### Macroeconomics & Trade

- Pakistan has reopened trade visa facilitation at the Taftan border, aiming to increase bilateral trade with Iran from $700 million to $10 billion.
- Global oil inventories are reportedly running dangerously low, creating economic leverage for Iran in current negotiations.

## DEEP DIVE: TRENDS AND THEMES

**The Paradox of a "Hot Ceasefire":** A recurring theme is the disconnect between the signed MoU and the continued escalation in Lebanon. Iranian media frames this as an intentional sabotage by the Israeli government, which is portrayed as being at odds with the Trump administration's desire to "extricate itself" from the war. This "hot ceasefire" allows both sides to claim diplomatic progress while maintaining military pressure to influence the final terms of the 60-day negotiation period.

**Asymmetric Economic Warfare:** The broadcast emphasizes Iran's use of "geographic leverage" over the Strait of Hormuz and its ability to inflict "significant economic harm" to the global order as its primary deterrent mechanism. The narrative suggests that conventional military superiority has been "neutralized" by Iran's ability to disrupt energy flows and its development of fiber-optic drones that challenge Israeli defenses.

**The Critique of Western Consumerism as Disarmament:** A sophisticated sociological narrative is presented regarding the "commodification" of struggle. The broadcast argues that the Western capitalist system attempts to neutralize resistance by turning revolutionary symbols (like the Keffiyeh or Che Guevara) into fashion accessories or social media "trends." This is framed as a form of psychological warfare designed to replace political action with a "false sense of satisfaction" through consumption.

## INTERNAL DYNAMICS & DOMESTIC INSTABILITY

**Iran:** The broadcasting nation projects a image of remarkable national unity in the wake of the war. Massive rallies in cities like **Ilam** and **Karman Shah** are shown as evidence of loyalty to the leader and the Islamic establishment. However, the broadcast also hints at domestic pressure for retaliation for the death of "the martyred leader," suggesting the government must balance its diplomatic outreach with the public's demand for justice and strength.

**United States:** The US is portrayed as a nation in profound internal crisis, with a "legalized system of bribery" (lobbying) paralyzing its foreign policy. The broadcast highlights tensions between President Trump and his "munchkins" (cabinet members) who are allegedly "walking back" his commitments. The focus on high inflation and empty seats at the FIFA World Cup is used to signal declining domestic morale and institutional decay.

**Israel:** The Israeli government is depicted as being in a state of delusional disconnect, with Netanyahu attempting to "separate populations from the consequences of war" through "liberation narratives." Domestic instability is noted through reports of left-leaning populations fleeing the country, leaving a more radicalized and "chaotic" right-wing leadership.

## EXTERNAL DYNAMICS & GLOBAL POSTURE

The international system is framed as a shifting landscape where US hegemony is being replaced by regional alliances and "transnational monopolies." Iran is positioning

itself as a central node in a new "multipolar" order, specifically citing its coordination with China to replace the dollar-based system with a "petrol-UN" system. The "outside world" is depicted as increasingly skeptical of Western leadership, as evidenced by Germany's diplomatic failure at the UN.

Iran is transitioning from a purely defensive posture to a management role in West Asia, claiming that the Strait of Hormuz will henceforth be under "Iranian and Omani control." The state is weaponizing its stability to contrast with the "chaos" it attributes to the US-Israeli axis. This global posture is designed to secure Iran's interests not just through force, but by punishing countries with whom it lacks bilateral relations while rewarding allies like Pakistan, India, and the Philippines with "safe passage" through critical waterways.

## THE ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT

The economic climate is characterized by extreme volatility and the weaponization of trade routes. Iran claims to have won the "media and economic war," asserting that the US was forced to negotiate due to dire circumstances for the world economy. Despite the MoU, significant discrepancies exist regarding the $300 billion reconstruction fund and the release of seized assets.

- **Currency & Capital:** Mentions of a $300 billion "rebuilding fund" for Iran, though Trump has reportedly claimed the US will not stump up any of the cash.
- **Commodities:** Oil prices have reportedly fallen following the MoU announcement, though inventories remain low.
- **Trade Infrastructure:** 95% drop in daily traffic through the Strait of Hormuz during the war, with only 100 ships passing since March.
- **Inflation:** Heavy emphasis on US rising costs, while Iran reports savings through domestic medical tech production.
- **Sports Economy:** FIFA World Cup matches in Toronto have seen ticket prices soar from 1,100 to 3,200 dollars, leading to low attendance and local protest.

## LEADERSHIP CHANGES

The transcripts describe a period of significant stress on existing leadership structures, with rumors of impending dismissals within the US administration and open defiance from Israeli cabinet members.

- **President Masud Pazishkan:** Has reportedly taken full responsibility for the implementation of the MoU in a written message to the Leader, a high-stakes move given the potential for US non-compliance.
- **Benjamin Netanyahu:** Portrayed as being on the verge of losing power, with his cabinet members "brutally attacking" the US-Iran understanding.
- **J.D. Vance:** Emerging as a conservative voice regarding the deal, though his delay in traveling to Switzerland signaled early technical difficulties in the diplomatic process.
- **Itamar Ben-Gvir:** Characterized as a genocidal lunatic whose social media posts are officially treated as high-ranking state policy by Iran.

- **Khalif Afta (Libya):** Authorities under his command have kidnapped 10 members of an international humanitarian flotilla, including three Italians, who are being held at a "black site."

## EDITORIAL POSTURE & STORY HIERARCHY

Press TV maintains a **militant and nationalist** editorial posture. The **Lead Stories** are the "American surrender" via the Islamabad MoU and the "unprecedented" Israeli atrocities in Lebanon. These are framed to instill a sense of pride and defensive urgency. **Buried Stories** include any detailed internal Iranian dissent or precise military setbacks. The network omits any mention of the **specific mechanisms** for monitoring Iranian nuclear activity, focusing instead on the "humiliation" of the US and IAEA. The tone is highly emotional when discussing child casualties (Minab) but clinical and analytical when discussing the AI data center strikes.

## GEOPOLITICAL FRAMING

The day’s framing is rooted in a binary of "oppressed resistance" versus "imperialist aggression," with the US and Israel presented as a fracturing axis of chaos.

- **Iran:** Portrayed as principled, technologically advanced, and militarily superior in its own region. Described as the only country uniquely standing up for Palestinians and Lebanese civilians.
- **United States:** Framed as "weak" and "desperate." Trump is described as a "dealmaker money guy" who realized there is no military solution to the Iranian problem.
- **Israel:** Characterized as a "death cult" and a "terrorist state." The broadcast uses terms like "animalistics" to describe the rhetoric of Israeli ministers toward non-Jewish populations.
- **Germany:** Depicted as a "powerhouse" that has lost all credibility and is being "politically embarrassed" by its support for the Israeli regime.
- **Hezbollah:** Framed as a victorious army that can make Lebanon an "interminable quagmire" for Israeli ground forces.

## INFORMATION WARFARE ENVIRONMENT

- **Narrative Seeding:** The broadcast repeatedly uses the term "Ramadan War" to create a historical and religious anchor for the recent conflict, framing it as a sacred victory.
- **Psychological Operations:** The "finger on the trigger" rhetoric is a clear attempt to maintain a credible threat while negotiating, ensuring the US does not interpret the ceasefire as a sign of weakness.
- **Censorship Allegations:** Iran claims that Western media "nourishes a bad image" of the country by design and censors the extent of civilian suffering caused by "American missiles."
- **Disinformation Management:** The network critiques the "fake news" of Western outlets like CBS, claiming they "normalize escalation" by describing air strikes as routine developments.

## HYPOTHESES AND FUTURE OUTLOOK

- **Escalation in Lebanon:** The current kinetic activity in Lebanon is likely to break the MoU within the 60-day window if the US cannot exert material pressure on Israel to withdraw.
- **Strategic Resource Shifts:** If the MoU holds, Iran will likely use the $300 billion fund to pivot its energy exports toward the East (China/Russia) while maintaining a "management fee" system in the Strait of Hormuz.
- **Internal US Pressure:** The Republican party and the Israel lobby will likely mount a sustained campaign to prevent the release of Iranian assets, leading to a potential collapse of the deal by late 2026.

## STRATEGIC FORESIGHT

**Short Term (1-4 Weeks):** Expect a "proportionate" US military response to the downing of an Apache helicopter over the Strait of Hormuz to satisfy domestic political requirements without restarting the full war. Technical delegations will likely re-convene in Switzerland after "logistics" are finalized.

**Medium Term (1-6 Months):** The focus will shift to the removal of sanctions. If the US fails to meet the 60-day deadline for tangible relief, Iran will likely resume uranium enrichment beyond the "status quo" agreed upon in the memorandum.

**Long Term (1-5 Years):** The Persian Gulf may see a permanent structural reconfiguration of its security architecture, with regional powers like Pakistan and Qatar taking the lead in maritime security as US naval influence diminishes.

## RISK ASSESSMENT

The primary risk is the collapse of the Islamabad MoU due to uncoordinated regional actions and systemic distrust between the principal signatories.

- **Regional War Expansion:** Israeli strikes in Lebanon could lead to a "Carbala Fight" (fight to the death) where Hezbollah and Iran launch a full-scale offensive. **Triggers:** High-ranking commander assassination or a strike on a "traditional stronghold" like Beirut. **Likelihood:** High. **Impact:** Catastrophic regional destabilization. **Mitigations:** Explicit inclusion of the "Resistance Front" in US-Israel security dialogues.
- **Global Energy Shock:** A return to the "Tanker War" of the 1980s. **Triggers:** Seizure of an Iranian vessel or failure to lift the naval blockade. **Likelihood:** Moderate. **Impact:** 25% of global oil and 20% of LNG traffic blocked. **Mitigations:** International maritime guarantees and removal of transit tolls.
- **US Domestic Policy Reversal:** President Trump’s "deal" being overturned by Congress. **Triggers:** Upcoming October elections or scandal exposure regarding "legalized bribery." **Likelihood:** Moderate. **Impact:** Loss of US diplomatic credibility and resumption of maximum pressure. **Mitigations:** Bipartisan legislative support for the reconstruction fund.
- **Cyber-Physical AI Attacks:** Continued targeting of regional compute clusters. **Triggers:** Retaliation for Iranian military gains. **Likelihood:** Moderate. **Impact:** Stalling of the regional AI race. **Mitigations:** Integration of AI sites into national defense shields.

- **Nuclear Miscalculation:** Escalation between NATO and Russia over the Ukraine-Iran linkage. **Triggers:** Deployment of NATO troops or "direct military confrontation." **Likelihood:** Low. **Impact:** Nuclear strike exchange. **Mitigations:** Re-establishment of the OSCE as a functional platform for dialogue.

## GAPS & BLIND SPOTS

- The transcripts do not provide the **precise 14 points** of the MoU, leaving the specific obligations of both the US and Iran dangerously vague.
- There is a lack of information regarding the **IAEA's verification role** during the 60-day period, despite rumors of Director General Grossi's involvement.
- The source of the **$300 billion reconstruction fund** is unexplained, especially given the US sanction acts currently in place.
- No mention is made of **internal Iranian economic indicators** such as unemployment or inflation, which are necessary to gauge the pressure on Tehran to maintain the deal.

## CONTRARIAN NARRATIVE SCENARIOS

- **The "Stalling" Hypothesis:** The US has signed the MoU not as a "surrender," but as a tactical maneuver to buy time for Israel to replenish its missile defense stocks and for the US to pivot its focus toward China.
- **The "False Flag" Risk:** The downing of the Apache helicopter or the strikes in Lebanon could be staged by rogue actors within either the US or Israeli military specifically to scuttle the deal before the 60-day deadline.
- **Black Swan Event:** The sudden assassination of a mediator (Qatari or Pakistani) could result in a total collapse of regional trust, leading to an immediate closure of the Strait of Hormuz and a global economic depression.

## RECOMMENDATIONS & IMPLICATIONS

**For Statecraft/Public Sector:**

- **Security:** Immediately establish a maritime communication channel between Iran, the US, and regional mediators to prevent miscalculations in the Strait of Hormuz.
- **Economic:** Formalize the reconstruction fund via third-party regional banks to bypass US domestic legislative hurdles.
- **Diplomatic:** Use the 60-day window to expand the agreement to include a comprehensive regional ceasefire that explicitly covers Lebanon and Gaza.

**For Private Sector/Investors:**

- **Supply Chains:** Reroute energy-sensitive shipments away from the Persian Gulf until the 90% traffic collapse is reversed by verified naval withdrawal.
- **Regulatory Compliance:** Monitor for double standards in EU trade policy that may lead to sudden sanctions on firms dealing with settlement-linked entities.

- **Tech Infrastructure:** Decouple AI data centers from military-adjacent applications in the Gulf to avoid them becoming legitimate targets in future conflicts.

## LEGISLATIVE ROUNDUP

Legislative activity centered on the implementation of the Islamabad MoU and the defense of national interests against "excessive demands."

- **BILLS DISCUSSED/DEBATED:**
  - **1943 Energy Law (Venezuela):** Noted in a report as being dismantled by Delcy Rodriguez, signifying a shift in regional resource management.
  - **14-Point Memorandum of Understanding:** The core international instrument defining the immediate termination of hostilities and the withdrawal of US naval forces.
- **HEARINGS & PRESS EVENTS:**
  - **Vance Press Conference:** The US Vice President rebuked Israeli critics of the MoU, stating that Israel would be "zero" without US support.
  - **Congressman Thomas Massie's Speech:** Commemorated the anniversary of the attack on the USS Liberty, using it as a historical parallel for alleged Israeli betrayal.

## KEY STORIES

- **Islamabad Memorandum of Understanding Signing:** The formalizing of an agreement between Presidents Trump and Pazishkan via electronic signatures to end the war.
- **Israeli Strikes on Southern Lebanon:** Massive air campaign killing at least 47 Lebanese and injuring 97 others in the Biqa Valley and surrounding areas.
- **Strait of Hormuz Administrative Shift:** Iran waiving transit fees for 60 days while asserting full military and regulatory control over the waterway.
- **Minab School Bombing Commemoration:** Mothers in Tehran and Islamabad gathered to honor 168 children reportedly killed by American missiles in Southern Iran.
- **Hezbollah Counter-Incursion Operations:** Reports of heavy clashes near the Ali al-Tahir heights, where Hezbollah claims to have repelled Israeli ground units and destroyed armor.
- **Germany's UN Security Council Seat Loss:** Berlin failing to secure two-thirds of the vote, losing to Austria and Portugal due to its pro-Israel stance.
- **Global Sumud Flotilla Detention:** Libyan authorities holding 10 humanitarian workers, including three Italians, without charge in Benghazi for over three weeks.
- **Development of Pro SPECT2:** Iranian tech firms deploying domestic cardiac imaging systems at a lower cost than Japanese or German models.
- **Persian Gulf AI Infrastructure Damage:** Iranian drone strikes on data centers in UAE and Bahrain causing $30-$50 billion in estimated development losses.
- **FIFA World Cup Protests in Toronto:** Residents and organizers critiquing the $380 million hosting cost amidst a housing and poverty crisis.

- **Russian Foreign Ministry Nuclear Warning:** Sergei Lavrov warning that NATO's "eastward expansion" could lead to nuclear strike exchanges.

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