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Unhindered by Trump, Iran's nuclear weapons=quest will persist, experts say <<https://jns.us5.list-manage.com/track/click?u=20b32ab0e3215f9=006699472&id=57a1b4ac99&e=396a6a85e5>>

By Ariel Ben Solomon/JNS.org

Iran is unlikely to halt its drive towards nuclear weapons following Presi=ent Donald Trump's refusal to recertify the Islamic Republic'= compliance with the 2015 nuclear deal, experts say. "Iran just k=eps threatening to do what it's already been doing—continuing=its path to nuclear weapons," said Emily Landau, director of th= Arms Control and Regional Security Program at Tel Aviv University'= Institute for National Security Studies. "The most it changes is t= pace of progress and that's precisely the problem with the [nucl=ar deal]: it doesn't stop Iran."

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By Sean Savage/JNS.org

The election of the first Jewish director-general of the United Nations cultural body UNESCO, French politician Audrey Azoulay, is raising hope that with her background and political experience, she could return the organization to its original mission. UNESCO in recent weeks has seen announcements from the U.S. and Israel of their plans to withdraw from the agency over its anti-Israel bias. Simone Rodan-Benzaquen, director of the American Jewish Committee's European offices, said Azoulay "is generally regarded as a true professional and expert in the field of culture and was a very respected [government] minister."

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By Alex Traiman/JNS.org

Recognizing it is easier to influence those who are prone to be natural supporters of the Jewish state than it is to sway journalists who cover the Israeli-Palestinian conflict with a perceived anti-Israel bias, the Israeli government this week offered Christian media professionals from around the world a crash course in advocacy and diplomacy during a first-of-its-kind summit. Brian Schrauger, a Christian journalist for the USA Radio Network, said Israel "is doing something very, very smart. It's catering to a group of journalists that don't often get attention, and it's educating them. And these are by-and-large friendly journalists that generally support Israel=2E"

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By Eliana Rudee/JNS.org

As a part of the new Big Idea gap year program in Israel's de facto=cyber capital of Be'er Sheva, tech-savvy young adults can learn f=om the Jewish state's "start-up nation" culture. Yael S=har, director of the program, says she hopes participants will return=home with a stronger Jewish identity and "become ambassadors for Is=ael on their college campuses and in their communities." The progra=’s participants hail from the U.S., Colombia and South Africa.

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