



This Week: Five Events You Need to Know (June 25)

Syria's raging battlegrounds, and attempted "Day of Rage" in Britain, another victory for France's Emmanuel Macron (and the EU) and more.

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Events in the past week further inflamed the raging battlefields in Syria. But they marked the beginning of the real fight for control of the Middle East. The legislative election victory for France's Emmanuel Macron might well be a victory for Germany and a future European Union superstate.

Here are the five most important news stories this week, as well as relevant links to the full articles and videos here on theTrumpet.com.

[The eastern Syrian battleground](#)

On June 18, a U.S. Navy F/A-18 Super Hornet downed a Syrian SU-22 fighter-bomber after the Syrian jet bombed the Syrian Democratic Forces, a United States ally.

That was the first time in 20 years that a U.S. jet [shot down](#) an enemy aircraft in battle.

Iran responded by launching its first missile attack abroad in 15 years; it fired six ballistic missiles from its western provinces, flying over Iraq and hitting Islamic State targets inside Syria and sending a message to the U.S. The message that Russia sent was even more direct: Any aircraft from the U.S.-led coalition flying west of the Euphrates River in Syria would be targeted for attack.

What will become of [Syria's raging battlegrounds](#)?

[Britain's far left attempts 'Day of Rage'](#)

On June 21, far-left activists in Britain attempted to shut down the government.

"We've felt our power," wrote the Marxist group [Movement for Justice by Any Means Necessary](#), as it celebrated the achievement of radical-left Jeremy Corbyn in Britain's election. "We've tasted victory. Now we must escalate our actions to take down this rotten government, which has lost all authority to govern."

The group failed to disrupt the government as much as it hoped, but one of its organizers, Karen Doyle, warned, "We'll continue beyond today, until this government is brought down."

[France's radical election result could transform the EU](#)

After a two-stage legislative election on June 11 and June 18, French President Emmanuel Macron's 15-month-old La République en Marche Party won 360 out of the 577 seats in the legislature—one of the largest majority's in France's

history.

In Macron and his party, Germany and like-minded Europhiles now have more willing partners in the creation of [eurozone superstate](#).

[China and Iran conduct naval drills in the Persian Gulf](#)

On June 18, China and Iran conducted joint naval exercises near the Strait of Hormuz in a show of military prowess that escalated tensions in the region.

Though the drills were planned far in advance, they occurred two days after the United States concluded three days of military exercises in the Persian Gulf with Qatar—the host of America's largest military base in the Middle East. The [exercises](#) also came amid Qatar's diplomatic isolation by some Arab states for supporting extremist groups and terrorist-sponsoring nations like Iran.

[Transgenderism cemented into Canadian law](#)

Parents in Ontario, Canada, who try to dissuade or teach against transgenderism are at risk of having their children taken away if a social worker deems that it's "abusive" to the child. That's according to the landmark Bill 89, passed on June 1.

Bill C-16, passed at the national level on June 15, penalizes [transgenderism](#) opponents who refuse to use a transgender individual's preferred pronoun.

Freedom of religion is *literally* being purged out of Canadian law, and is being replaced by liberal secularism that directly opposes what God has outlined in the Bible.

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