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On US Visit, Netanyahu Eyes Weapons for Iran Attack

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Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu is off to the United States tonight, with a visit to AIPAC's annual planning conference on the official agenda, and something much more serious to be discussed in a Tuesday meeting with President Obama.



Reportedly, [having been formally praised by the Obama Administration](#) for his dubious “concessions” last week, Netanyahu will now seek some returns on that investment, since apparently the “[don’t ask, don’t tell](#)” policy that will keep construction going in occupied East Jerusalem isn’t its own reward.

Netanyahu [will reportedly press President Obama to provide the nation with “bunker buster” bombs](#) to make Israel’s long-threatened military attack on Iran more convenient.

Israeli [governments have been seeking the bunker buster bombs for years](#), with [occasional deliveries](#) interspersed with new demands for more advanced bombs. With the ever-present threat of attacks from Israel, Iran [has been putting its civilian nuclear infrastructure deep underground](#), making such attacks unlikely to be successful.