

**#1695 The Yom Kippur War and the Abomination of Desolation – Hitler (vs. the U.S.) waxing great toward the South and toward the East as a *second* Antiochus IV Epiphanes, part 13, The impact of Churchill’s January 6, 1941, decision to defend Greece**

Here is an excerpt from the Wikipedia article on British Field Marshal Archibald Wavell about the impact of Winston Churchill’s decision on January 6, 1941, to take resources and forces from North Africa to defend Greece.

The Middle Eastern theatre [of World War II] was quiet for the first few months of the war until Italy’s declaration of war in June 1940. The Italian forces in North Africa greatly outnumbered the British. Wavell however was able to not only defend against the Italian attacks but to defeat the Italians and occupy their colonies in Ethiopia and Somaliland. By February 1941, the British appeared to be on the verge of overrunning the last Italian forces in Libya, which would have ended all Axis control in Africa.



**But at this same time the Germans and Italians were attacking Greece. Wavell was ordered to halt his advance into Libya and send troops to Greece. He disagreed with this decision but followed his orders.**



German soldiers pose in front of the Parthenon in Athens, 1941

*[From another source: A British military mission arrived in Athens on 22 February to study the situation and propose shipment by sea of an expeditionary corps to Greece. The following day, the Greeks accepted the offer, whereon Britain dispatched some of its best North African forces to Greece: 60,000 men with 240 field artillery pieces, 32 medium artillery guns, 192 anti-aircraft guns, and 142 tanks under Lieutenant General Henry Maitland Wilson.]* The result was a short-term disaster for the British. The Germans had an opportunity to reinforce the Italians in North Africa, while the British were unable to set up an adequate defense on the Greek mainland. They were forced to withdraw to Crete with heavy losses.

**Key Understanding:** Winston Churchill's January 6, 1941, decision to transfer troops and resources to Greece was for the purpose of defending the nation against Nazi Germany/Hitler as Nazi Germany/Hitler fulfilled their prophetic roles as a *competing second Syria/competing second Antiochus IV Epiphanes waxing great toward the south (Greece) and toward the east.*

**Daniel 8:9 (KJV) *And OUT OF ONE OF THEM [the competing second Syria, Germany] CAME FORTH A LITTLE HORN [Nazi Germany's Adolf Hitler], which waxed EXCEEDING GREAT, toward THE SOUTH, and toward THE EAST, and toward THE PLEASANT LAND.***



German cartoon (*left*) illustrates Germany giving the British a beating in Greece and Crete, 1941. Churchill (*right*): “This war is full of unpleasant surprises!”

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