

WORLD AGENDA

MAY 2023

2 May, Germany: Around 250 Ukrainians begin operational training on 31 U.S. Abrams tanks delivered to the Grafenwöhr base. The tanks will be sent to Ukraine by the end of summer – earlier than expected

1 May 6, UK: The coronation of **King Charles III** and **Queen Camilla** takes place in London in a ceremony full of pomp and pageantry

3 May 19-21, Japan: U.S. President **Joe Biden** is being urged to use the G7

summit in Hiroshima to reaffirm a U.S. commitment to nuclear disarmament and readiness for arms control talks with Russia and China

4 May 27, U.S.: **Henry Kissinger**, Secretary of State under **Presidents Nixon** and **Ford**, and a key architect of postwar diplomacy, was born in Fuerth, Germany, 100 years ago

5 May 21, Greece: Voters head to the polls in a general election in which neither the ruling **New Democracy** party nor the leftist **Syriza** party are likely to secure an absolute majority in parliament

6 May 14, Türkiye: President **Recep Tayyip Erdogan** faces a major electoral challenge amid a cost-of-living crisis and the struggle to recover from catastrophic twin earthquakes that sparked criticism of his response

7 May 13, UK: Britain plays host to the **Eurovision Song Contest** on behalf of last year's winners Ukraine, due to the ongoing war

8 May 29, Nepal: 70 years ago **Edmund Hillary** and **Tenzing Norgay** made the first successful ascent of Mount Everest. Thousands of climbers have since tried their luck, with overcrowding and pollution taking a toll

