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Israel, U.S. Press for Regime Change in Iran With Operations Epic Fury and Lion's Roar

On Saturday, February 28, Israel and the United States launched joint operation Epic Fury and Lion's Roar with strikes on military and political targets across Iran, ultimately striking **over 1,000** military and political installations across the country by March 2, **including** the Natanz nuclear site.

U.S. President Donald Trump **claimed** that at least 48 Iranian military and political figures had been eliminated in the strikes to-date, including Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei and **several other senior leaders**. Iran is expected to name the next Supreme Leader in the coming days.

Iran's retaliation has grown in scope and scale since the conflict began, with strikes reaching increasingly distant and **diverse targets** and **threatening** critical regional energy infrastructure. The Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) is also **ordering ships** not to pass through the Strait of Hormuz, disrupting trade along "**the world's most vital oil export route.**"

Trump has offered varying timelines for the operation, most recently **saying** that the U.S. was ahead of its initial schedule of four to five weeks, but that "we have capability to go far longer than that." Trump also warned that more U.S. service members **will likely be killed** following the confirmation of at least four such deaths as of this writing.

For more information, see our Situation Report in the AlertMedia dashboard.

Meteorological Spring Begins, Increasing Severe Weather Pattern

Meteorological spring is getting underway with a multi-day stretch of [increasing severe thunderstorm potential](#) across portions of the central United States. [Tuesday](#) into Tuesday night, a low-end (Level 1 of 5) severe weather risk is in place for southern Kansas, including the Wichita area, as well as western Oklahoma. The primary concern during this period is isolated severe hail. The threat escalates on [Wednesday](#), with a Level 2 of 5 severe storm risk extending from central Texas (including Waco and Dallas) northeastward into southeast Oklahoma and western Arkansas, including Fort Smith and Fayetteville. During the afternoon and evening, storms may produce damaging wind gusts, large hail, and possibly a few tornadoes. By [Thursday](#), the primary severe weather focus shifts back toward the west. West Texas and western Oklahoma will be the main areas of concern, where damaging winds, hail, and a couple of tornadoes remain possible.

Looking ahead to Friday, confidence is growing that this could become the most impactful severe weather day of the work week, although it remains in the medium-range forecast window. A broad, severe weather risk area has already been outlined, spanning north-central and northeast Texas, Oklahoma, eastern Kansas, western Missouri, and parts of southeast Nebraska and southwest Iowa. All severe storm hazards, including damaging winds, large hail, and tornadoes, are possible during the afternoon and evening hours. As the weekend approaches, forecast details become less certain. However, elevated severe weather probabilities are already evident across northeast Texas, southeast Oklahoma, and Arkansas for Saturday. There are also indications that the overall severe weather threat may gradually shift farther east into portions of the southeastern U.S. as the weekend progresses.

On a positive note, badly needed rainfall is on the way in [drought](#)-hit areas. Over the next seven days, upwards of three-to-five inches of rain is forecast across Austin, Dallas, Shreveport, and Little Rock. The possibility of localized flash flooding will exist for areas hit by too much rain too quickly.

Afghanistan, Pakistan Enter 'Open War' Following Border Clashes

In what the Afghan Taliban described as a retaliation for earlier Pakistani operations, Afghan troops reportedly [stormed over 50](#) Pakistani border sites on February 27, triggering [Pakistani air strikes](#) that targeted more than 20 Afghan sites, including some near major cities [Kabul and Kandahar](#). Strikes have [continued](#) into today, with reports of [strategic air bases](#) being targeted.

The Taliban has since [announced](#) that it is open to peace talks, and the United Nations has [joined](#) several other world leaders and [organizations](#) in urging both sides to end the conflict. Afghan officials claimed that the border attacks were not intended to provoke a wider conflict, but Pakistan announced that it considers the two countries to be in an "open war." Analysts warn that without renewed mediation, a ceasefire framework negotiated late in 2025 could collapse entirely, raising the risk of a prolonged conflict.

While reports of casualties vary widely on both sides, the impacts to human life and local operations are expected to be significant in areas affected either by the clashes and strikes themselves, or by a subsequent increase in local military activity and securitization. The media environment in both countries, along with the proliferation of misinformation and AI-generated or manipulated images on social media, has made confirming specific details around the conflict difficult.

Climate and Natural Hazards

- **Australia Cyclone and Excess Rain Risk:** The Bureau of Meteorology is monitoring [multiple disturbances](#) for possible cyclone development along northern coastal waters, and AlertMedia meteorologists have identified the primary concern as an area of disorganized storms in the Coral Sea. Forecast models generally agree this system will organize into at least a minimal tropical cyclone before making landfall along the central Queensland coast, most likely between Cairns and Mackay, from late Thursday through early Saturday (local time). The greatest threat may not be damaging winds at landfall, but heavy rainfall and inland flooding as the weakening system interacts with a non-tropical disturbance. The interaction could potentially produce a major rainfall event from the Fraser Coast south through the Sunshine Coast, Brisbane, and the Gold Coast between Friday and early Monday. If trends continue, residents and travelers should closely monitor Bureau forecasts for rapidly changing conditions, the potential for 200–400 mm of rain, and the issuance of severe weather and flood warnings.
- **Brazil Flood and Landslide Event Kills Dozens:** Over the past week, torrential rain has struck southeastern Brazil, killing at least [64 people](#) and causing severe flooding and landslides in Minas Gerais. Juiz de Fora and Ubá are among the hardest hit, with neighborhoods submerged, buildings collapsed, and thousands displaced. Rescue teams, backed by the Brazilian Army, are reaching stranded residents as flood and landslide risks remain high across Minas Gerais and parts of Rio de Janeiro state. In the week ahead, forecast models and [Brazilian weather warnings](#) are signaling the highest area of concern shifting northward, with widespread well-above-normal rain forecast across Bahia, Sergipe, and immediate surrounding states.

Worldwide

- **Mexico's CJNG Still Threatening Economy, Security Despite Elimination of Kingpin:** Despite the February 22 killing of Jalisco New Generation Cartel (CJNG) leader Nemesio Cervantes ("El Mencho") in a military operation, analysts are [concerned](#) that the organization's operations will continue, with the risk of fragmentation over the medium and long-term potentially leading to an increase in instability. The organization's well-coordinated response following the killing was made possible by its sophisticated "franchise" structure, which includes links to [security forces](#) and [legitimate businesses](#) across the Mexican economy. These links will allow the CJNG to continue extorting people and businesses across the country to fund its operations. With the Mexican government likely to [continue its approach](#) of confronting the cartels directly, the

possibility of armed groups [deploying](#) widespread public violence in response to future enforcement measures and arrests of key leaders remains elevated.

- **Thousands of Chinese Government Officials to Gather for Annual Conference:** China's "[Two Sessions](#)," an annual gathering of over 6,000 legislators and other political professionals, begins on Wednesday, March 4. Considered one of the most important events of the Chinese political calendar, this year's Two Sessions is especially notable for the expected release of the country's next Five-Year Plan, which will outline growth targets and policy objectives for the period of 2026-2030. While tensions between Beijing and Washington have cooled [somewhat](#), significant economic and political headwinds threaten the Xi administration at home and abroad. The plan will likely shed light on how China plans to approach domestic challenges with [consumption](#) and a [real estate crisis](#), as well as [persistent challenges](#) on the world stage [beyond](#) the U.S. tariff issue.
- **Global Rallies Planned for International Women's Day Amid Broader Social Mobilization:** Disruptions are possible leading up to and on Sunday, March 8, as International Women's Day demonstrations take place worldwide. While most events are expected to remain peaceful, past marches have at times led to [clashes](#) with [police](#). In Europe, activists are linking this year's mobilizations to opposition to austerity measures, far-right movements, and social welfare cuts, alongside continued pro-Palestinian advocacy related to the war in Gaza. Activists may also look to link the current conflict in Iran. In Spain, nationwide actions organized by Comisión 8M will be reinforced by union participation. Spain's Student Union (Sindicato de Estudiantes) has called for a [feminist student strike](#) on Friday, March 6, with coordinated midday demonstrations planned across multiple cities. In Italy, the Ni Una di Meno movement is expected to organize major marches following [large turnouts](#) in Rome and Milan last year. For more information on International Women's Day demonstrations in Europe and elsewhere, see AlertMedia's Situation Report.
- **Nepal to Hold First Elections Since Gen Z Protests:** Nepal votes on Thursday in its first parliamentary elections since the September 2025 youth-led uprising that ousted Prime Minister KP Sharma Oli, dissolved parliament, and installed an interim government led by former Chief Justice Sushila Karki. The polls are seen as a reset amid political fragmentation and strong youth mobilization. All [275 House](#) seats are contested, with 138 needed for a majority. Main contenders include the Nepali Congress, CPN-UML, Maoist Centre, Rastriya Swatantra Party and Rastriya Prajatantra Party, alongside Madhesh-based parties, making a hung parliament and coalition bargaining likely. Sporadic protests, including [monarchist rallies](#) and clashes in Bara district, have raised tensions. Authorities have deployed over 300,000 personnel — including around 80,000 army troops — under an [Integrated Election Security Plan](#) to secure polling sites and key infrastructure nationwide.
- **Central America Struggles with Gang Violence and Security Challenges:** Central American countries are increasingly grappling with gang violence and security challenges. Guatemala's President Bernardo Arévalo de León replaced a state of exception with a 15-day state of prevention, while also implementing the '[Metropolitan Sentinel Plan](#)' to reduce homicides and

extortion and regain control of prisons and high-crime areas. At the same time, in El Salvador, President Nayib Bukele's "[all-out war](#)" against gangs, ongoing since 2022, has led to nearly 90,000 detentions and the dismantling of gang structures, although human rights groups report hundreds of deaths and abuses. By contrast, Honduras' attempt to replicate Bukele's model under Xiomara Castro largely [failed](#), as gangs like [MS-13](#) continue to maintain control in neighborhoods such as Rivera Hernández, reducing violence selectively while profiting from extortion, drugs, and organized crime, further highlighting the limits of state enforcement in the region.

Cyber and Regulatory

- **Trump Halts All Use of Anthropic's AI Tools:** The Trump administration has [ordered](#) all federal agencies to stop using Anthropic's AI tools after the company refused to grant the Pentagon [unrestricted](#) access, underscoring escalating tensions between [rapid](#) military AI adoption and governance constraints. Anthropic's Claude had been approved for classified government networks since 2024 and was reportedly used by U.S. Central Command, [including](#) during air operations in Iran and during its operation to [capture](#) former Venezuelan President Nicolás Maduro. Defense Secretary Pete Hegseth labeled the firm a "[supply chain risk](#)" after it declined to support "[any lawful use](#)," citing [concerns](#) about mass surveillance and fully autonomous weapons. The 2026 REAIM summit's "[Pathways to Action](#)" document also saw reduced global backing, reflecting weakened international coordination. Ongoing legal challenges or battlefield developments could significantly affect near-term AI use and governance.
- **France Requests Delay to EU Entry/Exit System:** France's airports are [urging](#) the European Union to suspend or delay the full rollout of the Schengen Entry/Exit System (EES) until after the summer holiday season, arguing that implementing the biometric border-control system for all third-country nationals by April 2026 could cause severe congestion and long queues during peak travel months. The new system digitizes border stamping and records biometric entry/exit data for non-EU visitors. Aéroports de Paris, which operates Charles-de-Gaulle and Orly, reports that previous trials have not involved typical summer holiday season passenger levels and warns of multi-hour waits unless deployment is delayed to autumn. This pressure on EU border systems reflects a wider move toward pre-travel screening and digitized controls, as the U.K. begins [enforcing](#) its own Electronic Travel Authorization (ETA), requiring most visa-exempt travelers to pre-obtain digital permission before boarding flights to the U.K.
- **U.S. Pushes Back on Data Sovereignty Laws:** The Trump administration has directed U.S. diplomats to [oppose](#) foreign data sovereignty laws, arguing such measures could restrict AI and cloud services. A February 18 State Department cable signed by Secretary of State Marco Rubio characterized measures such as the EU's General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) as "[unnecessarily burdensome](#)" and instructed diplomats to counter proposals limiting cross-border transfers. Data sovereignty laws vary but can require locally storing citizens' data or restrict transfers abroad. The EU's 2018 GDPR has resulted in significant fines for U.S. tech firms. The cable also cited concerns that restrictive data policies, including those associated with China,

could expand government control over data and impact global technology competition. The move may heighten tensions with allies and influence how cross-border data flows are regulated globally. New legislation or enforcement actions in major markets, shifts in U.S. trade, or shifts in technology policy could reshape the regulatory environment for cross-border data flows.

- **U.S. Court Reviews CFPB Firing Block:** U.S. appeals judges [signaled](#) skepticism toward the Trump administration's effort to proceed with mass firings at the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB), underscoring legal uncertainty that could affect the agency's operations and enforcement posture. The CFPB has been largely inactive since February of last year as the administration seeks to significantly reduce its workforce, though officials acknowledged only Congress can formally abolish the agency. During a D.C. Circuit hearing, judges questioned claims that federal courts [lack jurisdiction](#), pressing the administration on a lower court's finding that the firings amounted to an attempted shutdown. The employee union argues the dispute raises constitutional separation-of-powers issues beyond routine labor claims. The court's pending ruling, along with any congressional action, could quickly reshape the bureau's authority and staffing.
- **Extinction Rebellion Faces Federal Scrutiny:** Extinction Rebellion (XR) says at least seven U.S.-based activists have been [visited](#) by FBI agents since President Donald Trump's second term began, as the administration rolls back major environmental regulations — developments that may affect the operating environment for advocacy groups. One reported visit involved the FBI's Joint Terrorism Task Force, and the Justice Department has opened a separate investigation into the group Climate Defiance following a recent protest. XR describes itself as a decentralized, nonviolent civil disobedience movement that has organized disruptive actions targeting transport and energy infrastructure. Separately, the administration has expanded oil extraction, [including](#) Alaska's Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, and [rescinded](#) the 2009 "[endangerment finding](#)," a key basis for regulating greenhouse gases under the Clean Air Act. Multiple lawsuits challenging these policy changes are ongoing and could influence enforcement and regulatory authorities.

Infrastructure and Supply Chain

- **Growing Use of Industrial Policy to Secure Resources Will Impact Global Trade:** Trade experts [warn](#) that the increasingly global drive to secure rare earth metals and other critical resources at the national level is causing a shift in how governments interact with their economies. The trend toward state interventions to secure these resources—whether in the form of [export bans](#) and other protective measures on the part of source countries, or preferential trade deals and [targeted state investments](#) on the receiving end—could precipitate unprecedented restrictions on these sectors. The risk that global trade flows for these resources might be further disrupted by such policies is itself likely to inspire increasingly protectionist measures and could have long-term impacts on free trade agreements and other foundational aspects of the current world order.

- **Outbreak of Highly Contagious Livestock Disease Prompts Import Restrictions, Enhanced Precautions on U.K. Farms:** The United Kingdom has announced restrictions on certain Cypriot imports and heightened domestic livestock biosecurity protocols in response to an [outbreak](#) of foot and mouth disease in Cyprus. The outbreak is leading to the culling of thousands of animals and a nationwide [vaccination campaign](#) in Cyprus due to fears that the highly contagious disease could spread beyond a small part of the country's south. The United Kingdom [previously suffered](#) one of the world's worst outbreaks of the disease in 2001, leading to the culling of some 6 million animals and causing more than \$20 billion in [economic damage](#) (in 2026 dollars).
- **U.S. Executive Order Protecting Potentially Carcinogenic Weedkiller Threatens Political Headache for Trump Administration:** A new executive order issued by U.S. President Donald Trump protecting access to the herbicide glyphosate on national security grounds threatens to bring his administration [into conflict](#) with a vocal faction of supporters. Trump's February 18 [order](#) describes the chemical—a component of the widely-used weedkiller Roundup, which is a potential carcinogen—as “a cornerstone of...agricultural productivity and rural economy, allowing United States farmers and ranchers to maintain high yields and low production costs.” Despite the President's support, however, glyphosate-based herbicides are among the products targeted by groups involved with the Make America Healthy Again (MAHA) movement, with leaders of these organizations [speaking out](#) against the order.
- **Hotel Chains, Franchisees Face New Challenges Amid U.S. Immigration Enforcement Drive:** With the [majority of Americans](#) against the Trump administration's immigration enforcement tactics, major hotel brands such as Hilton and their franchisees are facing unique challenges regardless of where they stand on the issue. In some cases, the actions of even a single franchisee could have [significant impacts](#) on both fellow owners far across the country and the national brands they operate under. This is true both where franchisees fail to act against or openly support controversial enforcement actions, attracting public anger; and when they block reservations or otherwise impede those operations, leading to political pushback. Disruptive demonstration activity targeting these sites also threatens knock-on impacts for the surrounding community, threatening to disrupt business and transportation in the area.
- **Colombia and Ecuador Enact Reciprocal Tariffs Amid Border Insecurity Spat:** A brewing trade war between Colombia and Ecuador over the security situation on their shared border has escalated further with the announcement of a [30% Colombian tariff](#) on dozens of imports from Ecuador (including staple foods). The tax matches a 30% Ecuadorian tariff President Daniel Noboa originally levied on Colombian imports over concerns about the flow of criminal groups and drugs into the country across the Colombian border. In response to the reciprocal rate, Noboa [further raised](#) Ecuador's tariff on Colombian goods to 50%. Amid the spat, further antagonism in other areas—such as Colombia's [earlier move](#) to suspend electricity exports to Ecuador—can also be expected.

Health

- **Measles Continues to Grow in U.S. and Globally, Prompting Extensive Public Health Measures in Singapore:** U.S. measles cases have [risen](#) sharply, exceeding 1,100 confirmed infections across 27 states, placing the country already on pace to surpass last year's total of 2,281 in the coming months. Numbers are continuing to rise, especially in [Florida](#), while the rate of increase in [South Carolina](#) appears to have slowed. Measles cases are also on the rise globally. In [Singapore](#), authorities have stepped up precautionary public health measures, including mandatory isolation of infectious cases, contact tracing, quarantine for non-immune contacts, and post-exposure prophylaxis for high-risk individuals. Relatedly, a [study](#) from the Yale School of Public Health found that a 1% annual decline in the U.S. measles vaccination rate over the next five years could add more than \$1.5 billion a year in medical and social costs.
- **European Regulators Back Approval for First Combined Flu-COVID-19 Shot:** European regulators have [recommended](#) marketing authorization for Moderna's combined mRNA vaccine, mCombiax, designed to protect people aged 50 and older against both COVID-19 and seasonal influenza. The EMA's Committee for Medicinal Products for Human Use based its positive opinion on phase three trial data showing immune responses to the dual vaccine were non-inferior to separate COVID and flu vaccines. If the European Commission approves it, this will be the first combined COVID-19/influenza vaccine available in the EU, offering a single-shot option to simplify vaccination campaigns. Moderna had [withdrawn](#) its U.S. application for the shot and as of February 2026 was waiting for guidance from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration before refiling.
- **Trump Administration to Freeze Federal Medicaid Funding to Minnesota, Citing Fraud Concerns:** The Trump administration [announced](#) a freeze of \$259 million in federal Medicaid funding for Minnesota, citing fraud concerns. Federal officials, including Vice President JD Vance and CMS Administrator Mehmet Oz, described the move as part of a broader anti-fraud initiative and said similar actions could extend to other states. Minnesota's Democratic Governor Tim Walz disputed the fraud rationale, characterizing the action as politically motivated. The administration also paused new Medicare enrollments for certain durable medical equipment suppliers for six months.
- **Officials Lift Health Advisory Following Potomac River Wastewater Spill:** Washington, D.C. officials have [lifted](#) the Potomac River recreational health advisory that had been in place since January 19 after the collapse of the Potomac Interceptor spilled untreated wastewater into the river. Officials lifted the advisory after water quality tests showed *E. coli* levels have remained within safe recreational limits for about three weeks, meeting EPA standards. DC Health Director Ayanna Bennett said conditions no longer pose an elevated health risk within the District's portion of the river, though normal seasonal bacteria fluctuations still occur, and daily *E. coli* testing will

continue. Drinking water in the District has not been affected, although some communities have [expressed concerns](#) about long-term damage to the river and shoreline. •

- **Anthropic Ban Likely to Create Gaps in HHS Workflows:** The Trump administration's [directive](#) requiring federal agencies to discontinue Anthropic's Claude AI is forcing the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to [dismantle](#) recently deployed enterprise AI capabilities. HHS leadership informed staff that Claude access would be disabled, with user histories preserved but workflows interrupted. Because the department had [integrated](#) Claude into its processes, its abrupt removal creates immediate gaps in productivity tools, requiring teams to pause or reconfigure AI-supported tasks.

Demonstrations and Industrial Action

- **Operation Epic Fury Sparks Protests Worldwide:** Protests and celebrations [took place](#) worldwide in response to Operation Epic Fury, in some instances leading to violent clashes between demonstrators and security forces. Incidents occurred in [Baghdad](#) and [Pakistan](#), where demonstrators staged road blockades and faced police interventions, resulting in several casualties and temporary curfews. In Karachi, hundreds of demonstrators attempted to breach the U.S. Consulate following the death of Iran's Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, leaving at least 22 dead and over 120 injured as police deployed extensive force to regain control. Additional clashes in Gilgit-Baltistan and other northern cities saw demonstrators attack UN and government offices, set fires, and block roads. Protests in response to the conflict in the Middle East are likely to continue worldwide, both among activist circles in North America and Europe and in areas with large Shiite communities.
- **French Activist's Death Prompts Dissolution Talks and Calls to Bar Némésis From Women's Day Rallies:** The February 14 death of French nationalist activist Quentin Deranque in Lyon continues to fuel political tensions and has prompted criticism of the Némésis collective by groups organizing demonstrations for International Women's Day. Unions and women's rights groups have [urged](#) the Interior Minister to bar Némésis from Sunday's rallies, [citing](#) past disruptions and calling on the group to hold separate events. Meanwhile, the Paris prosecutor's office opened an investigation into the possible "[reconstitution](#)" of the anti-fascist group La Jeune Garde, which officially dissolved last summer, after several members were arrested on suspicion of being involved in Deranque's death. The French government is also considering [disbanding](#) at least two far-right groups however, [dissolution does not guarantee](#) the groups will not reform under new names.
- **Argentina Faces Escalating Labor Unrest as Unions Protest Milei's Labor Reform:** The government of Argentine President Javier Milei is facing escalating labor unrest following the [approval](#) of a major labor reform package described by supporters as a modernization effort and

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by unions as anti-worker. Unions have pledged continued mobilizations in the coming weeks. This week, teachers across Argentina **launched** a national strike in repudiation of the reform package. The strike is backed by CTERA and other labor organizations. Separately, the air traffic controllers' union ATEPSA **announced** rolling strikes that began on last week and are set to conclude today. The General Confederation of Labor (CGT) also announced it will hold a **march** today, March 2, to support a legal challenge against the labor reform bill. The mobilization will head to Plaza Lavalle, in front of the Buenos Aires courts.

- **Indian Government Doctors Threaten Indefinite Strike in Karnataka, Kerala Doctor Strike Enters Second Month:** Healthcare disruptions are possible at government medical facilities across **Karnataka** beginning next Wednesday, March 11, as doctors' associations plan to launch a phased state-wide strike over various demands, including a lack of promotions. Outpatient services will be **boycotted** first, followed by a complete boycott of duties beginning March 16. Meanwhile, the Kerala Government Medical College Teachers' Association (KGMCTA) announced it would **intensify** strike actions that began early last month. In late February, the KGMCTA broadened their indefinite strike to include non-emergency surgeries, other elective procedures, and examination-related duties. Striking medical providers are likely to conduct demonstration activities, including protest marches and dharnas, near medical colleges in conjunction with the work stoppage.

Upcoming Events

- February 6 – March 15: Milano Cortina Olympic and Paralympic Games (Italy)
- February 7 – March 8: Men's T20 Cricket World Cup (India, Sri Lanka)
- February 17 – March 19: Ramadan (Global) *Dates approximate and vary by location*
- February 18 – April 2: Lent (Global)
- March 2-3: Purim (Global)
- March 4: Holi (Global)
- March 4-11: "Two Sessions" Meetings (Beijing, China) *End date approximate*
- March 5: General Election (Nepal)
- March 8: General Election (Colombia)
- March 8: International Women's Day (Global)
- March 15: General Election (Vietnam)
- March 15: Quds Day (Global)
- March 19: Eid al-Fitr (Global) *Date approximate and vary by location*
- March 20: Nowruz (Global)
- March 21: International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (Global)
- March 22: Presidential Election (Republic of the Congo)
- March 26: Ram Navami (India)
- March 26-29: World Trade Organization Ministerial Conference (Yaoundé, Cameroon)
- March 30: Land Day (Israel, West Bank, and Gaza)