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Trump's son-in-law will act as a key advisor on Middle East policy despite holding no official role; known for close ties with leaders like Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman, Kushner's influence sparks both praise and criticism

Ynet|15:17

Jared Kushner, U.S. President-elect Donald Trump's son-in-law, is expected to play a key advisory role in shaping the administration's Middle East strategy, despite not holding an official position, CNN reported on Friday, citing regional diplomats and Trump allies.

Trump recently unveiled his Middle East team, naming former Arkansas Governor Mike Huckabee as the U.S. ambassador to Israel and real estate mogul Steven Witkoff as a

special envoy to the region. Still, Kushner's trusted relationships with Middle Eastern leaders make him a pivotal behind-the-scenes figure, sources said.

"No one on the incoming team has what Jared has, and that is trust," a diplomat said. His influence, they added, stems from personal connections and trust earned over time, a quality not yet established by other incoming advisors.

However, Kushner's business ties in the region, particularly his close relationship with Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman, are expected to reignite criticism. During Trump's first term, Kushner's investment firm received \$2 billion from the Saudi sovereign wealth fund, raising concerns about conflicts of interest.

Diplomats have expressed fears that Trump's administration may prioritize family financial interests over national objectives. A U.S. official described Kushner's direct ties with Saudi Arabia as troubling, citing private meetings with bin Salman that extended into the night.

Kushner's role is expected to focus on expanding the Abraham Accords, which normalized relations between Israel and several Arab states. Trump and Kushner aim to secure further agreements with additional nations, sources said.

In September, Kushner praised the assassination of Hezbollah leader Hassan Nasrallah, calling it the "most significant event in the Middle East since the Abraham Accords." He argued that Nasrallah's death left Iran vulnerable, saying, "Hezbollah was Iran's deterrent weapon for 40 years, aimed at Israel. Now, that deterrent is gone."

On Gaza, Kushner has advocated for drastic measures, including relocating Gaza residents to Israel's Negev Desert during a Harvard panel in March. "Gaza doesn't really exist anymore; not much of it is left," he said, suggesting Israel should use the opportunity to reshape the region.

Critics point to Kushner's controversial past role in drafting Trump's so-called "Deal of the Century" peace plan, which proposed land swaps in southern Israel—a move that sparked backlash from Israeli residents. Despite the controversies, Kushner remains a central figure in Trump's vision for the Middle East, with a unique combination of trust and influence, sources said.

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Hezbollah accuses Israel of striking children's TV channel in Lebanon

Terror group says Israel struck Taha Kids TV, a children's channel promoting incitement under innocent-seeming content; group vows strike wouldn't halt its 'educational mission'; channel previously aired Star of David disappearing under plants

Lior Ben Ari|15:02

Hezbollah issued a rare condemnation on Thursday, accusing the Israeli military of targeting the headquarters of Taha Kids TV, a Lebanese children's television channel associated with the terrorist group.

In a statement, Mohammad Afif, Hezbollah's media relations official, claimed the strike aimed to "silence a voice that brings joy to innocent children, following attacks on children, schools and nurseries."

The statement also described the alleged attack as a "violation of international conventions ensuring children's rights to life, education and security," adding that it would not deter the channel from its "educational and humanitarian mission." Hezbollah called on media outlets and international organizations to denounce the incident. Israel has not commented on the accusations, which remain unverified and based solely on Hezbollah's claims.

Taha Kids TV, a Hezbollah-affiliated channel, broadcasts content designed to promote the group's ideology under the guise of children's programming. Widely popular across the Arab world, the channel frequently features themes tied to the Palestinian cause, portraying Israeli actions as "Zionist crimes" while incorporating content aligned with Iranian-backed narratives.

The channel's material includes songs about Jerusalem, jihad and Palestinian resistance, alongside Shiite religious ceremonies and rituals. One notable video, circulated on Iran's Quds Day, shows a Star of David being covered by soil and plants until it disappears entirely, accompanied by the caption: "They see it as far away; we see it as near."

While the channel promotes itself as "educational and artistic," with a focus on Islamic and cultural themes, critics argue it is a propaganda tool aimed at indoctrinating children into Hezbollah's ideology. Taha Kids TV maintains a significant online presence, with over 1.6 million subscribers on YouTube and active accounts across social media platforms.

Observers note that the channel's content blends seemingly innocent entertainment with controversial messaging, further fueling debates over its role in shaping the views of its young audience.

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France appeals court ruling allowing Israeli firms at defense shows
Paris appeals court ruling permitting Israeli companies to participate in defense exhibitions, aiming to block their involvement in future events; Israeli Manufacturers Association vows to fight appeal, calling it discriminatory and inconsistent with democratic values

Itamar Eichner|09:37

The French government on Friday filed an appeal against a court ruling that permitted Israeli companies to participate in defense exhibitions, following controversy and criticism of President Emmanuel Macron over the initial ban.

The move aims to block Israeli firms from taking part in future defense events, including the prestigious Paris Air Show.

The appeal, submitted by a government representative for the Paris Prefect of Police, challenges the administrative court's authority to decide on French government policy. The court's earlier decision had overturned a prohibition on Israeli companies exhibiting at events such as the recent Euronaval maritime defense show.

Although Euronaval concluded last week, the French government's appeal seeks to prevent Israeli participation in upcoming exhibitions, with the Paris Air Show — one of the world's largest defense and aerospace events — likely at the forefront of its concerns.

In late October, the court ruled decisively in favor of a petition by the Israeli Manufacturers Association, Israel Shipyards and the Israel-France Chamber of Commerce, allowing Israeli firms to participate in Euronaval.

In response to the appeal, the Manufacturers Association announced it would continue to fight the French government's efforts to exclude Israeli companies.

"We regret that French leaders have failed to grasp the message from previous cases: we will not allow anyone to remove or sideline us from the international defense stage," said Dr. Ron Tomer, president of the Manufacturers Association of Israel.

"Israel is a proud sovereign state, equal to any other in the global community, and we would expect that a country like France, which shares democratic values with Israel, including principles of equality and justice, would not discriminate against Israeli companies compared to those from other nations."

Tomer criticized the appeal as an attempt to set the stage for excluding Israeli companies from the Paris Air Show, adding, "We have retained top legal experts in France and will fight in every court necessary to ensure justice and equality. The Israeli flag will proudly fly at every exhibition."

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Trump approves outline of pending cease-fire deal in Lebanon, report
Incoming president hopes agreement would be implemented before he takes office;
officials in Washington and Jerusalem await Lebanon's response to the outline of the deal
Lior Ben Ari|02:02

President elect Donald Trump gave his approval to the outline of the agreement being negotiated to bring a cease-fire to the fighting between Israel and the Hezbollah terror group in Lebanon, the Wall Street Journal reported on Friday.

Israeli officials told the paper that Strategic Affairs Minister Ron Dermer, presented the outline of the agreement to Trump in their meeting last week and the incoming president expressed his hope that the agreement could come into effect before he took office on January 20, 2025.

The U.S. presented the outline to the government in Beirut on Thursday. Officials in Washington and in Jerusalem were awaiting their reply that could, according to the Israeli officials, come within days.

U.S. President Joe Biden's special envoy, Amos Hochstein told the Lebanese that he would not arrive to Beirut if he did not believe the government there was prepared to seal the deal.

Hochstein gave the head of Lebanon's caretaker government Najib Mukati and Speaker of parliament Nabih Berri, who was negotiating on behalf of Hezbollah, the draft of the agreement. According to a report in the Lebanese Al Jadeed channel, Berri delivered Lebanon's response and was "optimistic about a cease-fire within days or a week," but that report was removed quickly.

The Hezbollah-affiliated Al Akhbar newspaper on Thursday reported that Berri and Mukati rejected Israel's demands for freedom to operate in Lebanon if the agreement that would be reached, would be violated and Hezbollah would return to South Lebanon or rebuild its military capabilities.

The Lebanese demands, according to the report was an immediate cease-fire and the return of residents of the south to their villages, a complete withdrawal of all Israeli troops from the south and a ban on any IDF activity on Lebanese territory on land, in the air or at sea. Beirut's demand was also that there would be no amendment to UN resolution 1701 passed at the end of the 2006 Second Lebanon war.

The IDF meanwhile continued its offensive in South Lebanon, operating in the second line of villages away from the Israeli border, to remove Hezbollah's capabilities to fire missiles and rockets at Israel. The IDF conducted more airstrikes on the Dahieh quarter in Beirut after repeated attacks there in recent days. The military said it was targeting Hezbollah weapons stores and production facilities.

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu held consultations with Dermer, Defense Minister Israel Katz and with his far-right coalition partners Itamar Ben-Gvir and Bezalel Smotrich to discuss both the Lebanon and Gaza fronts.

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Decrease in rocket fire as Lebanon's casualties and devastation exceed \$8 billion

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IDF reports drop in rocket fire, as Hezbollah casualties and Lebanon's devastation mount. Military says Hezbollah rocket fire down to under 100 daily launches, emphasizing its goal to push terror group as far back as possible; cautious cease-fire talks continue as World Bank estimates Lebanon's war damages at \$8 billion, with 100,000 homes damaged.

Yoav Zitun, Itamar Eichner, AFP|13:53

Rocket fire from Lebanon toward northern Israel has persisted in recent days, sometimes reaching central Israel and the Sharon region, but the IDF reported Thursday that daily rocket averages have dropped to below 100, down from over 150.

The IDF attributed the decrease to intensified military pressure on Hezbollah's launch capabilities, including targeted strikes on rocket launchers and firepower resources.

On Monday's "Martyr's Day," Hezbollah claimed responsibility for 200 launches, while by 6 p.m. Thursday, it had taken responsibility for 18 separate attacks. The IDF said that since ground operations began, over 2,250 Hezbollah fighters, including several high-ranking commanders, have been killed, impacting the group's ability to launch attacks. Israeli forces have faced heavy losses since the start of the ground incursion into Lebanon, with 67 killed, including 16 civilians and 51 soldiers—41 of whom died in Lebanese territory. "We had five encounters with Hezbollah fighters since yesterday," the IDF reported on Thursday. "We are coordinating military moves with diplomatic efforts, which is crucial."

The IDF highlighted the complexity of combat in built-up areas and emphasized ongoing lessons learned to reduce casualties. Most current ground activity is within five to six kilometers of the Lebanese border, in western and eastern sectors of southern Lebanon.

"Hezbollah incursions into northern Israel could persist for years," IDF officials warned. The military clarified that ground forces are targeting underground complexes housing advanced weaponry, where airstrikes alone may achieve only partial success. "We may not eliminate every threat, but we're advancing well," the IDF added.

Energy Minister Eli Cohen, in an interview with Reuters, said that Israel is closer than ever to reaching an agreement to end fighting in Lebanon and push Hezbollah away from the border, while insisting that Israel maintains the right to act military should it be violated.

A key sticking point for Israel, he said, is ensuring it retains freedom of action should Hezbollah return to border areas.

"We will be less forgiving than in the past over attempts to create strongholds in territory near Israel. That's how we will be, and so that is certainly how we will act."

In terms of a mechanism to enforce the agreement, Cohen said: "There are discussions, but it has not been agreed upon."

An Israeli official familiar with ongoing cease-fire negotiations said Thursday that progress is being made, but cautioned that a resolution remains uncertain. "We're closer than we were yesterday, but not near enough to say it will end very soon," the official noted, adding that military assessments remain a factor, with decisions hinging on whether to "end hostilities now" or after clearing Hezbollah strongholds in southern Lebanon. He further said that officials aim to finalize the agreement before U.S. President-elect Donald Trump assumes office in January.

Meanwhile, the World Bank reported Thursday that Lebanon's war damages from the year-long conflict now exceed \$8 billion, with almost 100,000 homes damaged or destroyed.

According to the report, covering the period from October 2023—when Hezbollah joined Hamas in attacks on Israel—through October 2024, at least 99,209 residential units were impacted, primarily in southern Lebanese regions like Tyre, Nabatieh, Sidon, Bint Jbeil and Marjayoun.

The World Bank's analysis placed losses from damages to sectors like tourism and agriculture at \$5.1 billion and destruction to infrastructure at an additional \$3.4 billion. The final economic toll is expected to be significantly higher, compounding Lebanon's ongoing economic crisis, which has pushed most of its population below the poverty line since 2019.

Lebanon also faces a growing displacement crisis, with approximately 1.6 million residents forced from homes situated in Hezbollah-occupied areas in southern Lebanon due to IDF operations.

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Knesset reject call to sideline Netanyahu during trial testimony in ongoing war

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'Coup in every sense of the word': Coalition leaders reject calls to sideline Netanyahu during graft trial testimony

Lawmakers reject any move to declare PM temporarily unfit during trial testimony, calling move legally unfounded; 'Only the people, through their elected representatives in Knesset, can decide who will lead them and serve as prime minister'

Moran Azulay, Netael Bandel|13:19

Leaders of the coalition parties issued an unusual statement Thursday night, firmly rejecting any notion that Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu could be temporarily declared unfit whenever he testifies in his ongoing corruption trial.

"We categorically reject any attempt to declare the prime minister unfit, even for a very short period," the statement read. "Any such declaration lacks legal foundation and is therefore invalid."

They warned that a temporary declaration of unfitness would be akin to a "coup in every sense of the word" and argued that Netanyahu must continue leading Israel's security and diplomatic efforts, which they deem a matter of national interest.

"We stand and will continue to stand guard over democracy. Only the people, through their elected representatives in the Knesset, can decide who will lead them and serve as prime minister."

'I've been used as an example': Susan Sarandon says is punished for anti-Israel statements. The statement was signed by Justice Minister and Deputy Prime Minister Yariv Levin, representing Netanyahu's Likud Party, along with the heads of all other coalition parties, including newly appointed Foreign Minister Gideon Sa'ar.

The decision to issue the statement followed a ruling by Jerusalem District Court judges that Netanyahu's testimony will proceed as scheduled on December 2, despite the ongoing war.

Netanyahu faces three graft cases, commonly referred to as Case 1000, Case 2000 and Case 4000, involving charges of bribery, fraud and breach of trust.

In Case 1000, he is accused of receiving lavish gifts from a billionaire friend in exchange for favors; Case 2000 alleges negotiations with a newspaper publisher for favorable coverage; and Case 4000, the most serious, involves claims he granted regulatory benefits to a telecom giant in exchange for positive media coverage from its news outlet.

Why is such an option even considered?

Ironically, Netanyahu's own claims about the impact of wartime responsibilities on his trial testimony have intensified the possibility of a temporary incapacitation declaration, legal experts say.

In a recent request to postpone his testimony, Netanyahu argued that the ongoing war prevents him from fully preparing with his defense attorney and makes it impossible for him to disconnect and testify for seven hours across multiple days.

In a hearing on Wednesday, Netanyahu's lawyer, Amit Hadad, said, "A country cannot be governed in wartime while its prime minister is on the witness stand." However, in 2020, Netanyahu argued before the High Court of Justice that he could manage both state affairs and a trial. While that stance applied in peacetime, he now acknowledges that managing both during wartime is not feasible.

If Netanyahu maintains this position, Attorney General Gali Baharav-Miara could issue a letter mandating that, while testifying, he temporarily transfer his powers to another minister, as would be done if he were undergoing medical treatment. Netanyahu would resume his duties at the end of each court day. Should he resist, petitions may be submitted to the High Court, demanding he step aside temporarily during his testimony. Netanyahu faces a challenging legal position, given his own admission that wartime duties and testimony are incompatible. Earlier this year, the High Court ruled that a new amendment regarding incapacitation would apply only from the next Knesset. However, Netanyahu's acknowledgment that war-time testimony creates an incapacity could complicate his case. His attorney may argue that declaring a prime minister incapacitated during war—even temporarily—would be unreasonable and against public interest, suggesting instead that another witness take the stand in his place.

The High Court, however, may find it difficult to accept this procedural claim, as the district court has already determined that Netanyahu must testify and the High Court is not an appeals court for district court rulings.

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Israel strikes Damascus during Iranian official's visit, report says

Opposition site says IDF targeted an apartment in the Al Masseh quarter of the capital killing at least three people and wounding at least nine others; official Syrian news agency says two building hit in strike

Lior Ben Ari, Yoav Zitun|07:30

Israel attacked a suburb of Damascus on Thursday, the official news agency Sanaa reported, saying the attack was on the Al Mazzeh quarter in the west of the capital adding that there were casualties in the strike on two buildings.

The strike took place during a visit of a senior advisor to Iran's supreme leader Ali Khamenei who is, according to Lebanese media reports, visiting the area on "a special mission."

According to the Syrian opposition outlet Voice of the Capital, the attack targeted an apartment in the area and ambulances were seen rushing to the scene.

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The UK based Observatory for Human Rights, another Syrian opposition group, said that at least three people were killed and at least nine were hurt in the attack.

News of the attack came shortly after Israel struck Hezbollah targets near Beirut's international airport, while a plane was on the runway preparing for takeoff.

A plane prepares for takeoff amid Israeli strikes on neighboring Dahieh

Israel said it attacked more than 30 terror targets in Beirut in the past two days including weapons stores and production sites the military said were near or beneath civilian structures and population.

"These strikes were a part of the IDF's ongoing efforts to dismantle and degrade Hezbollah's military capabilities, and the IDF is continuing to strike Hezbollah terrorist infrastructure sites in the Dahieh area," the military said in a statement.

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Hezbollah, Beirut leaders, join in terms; withdrawal north, UN force, weapons import

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Hezbollah, Beirut leaders, join in tough terms for cease-fire, report

Demands include complete Israeli withdrawal, ban on IDF activity in Lebanese territory on the ground, in the air and in sea; rejects any change to 1701

Lior Ben Ari, Yoav Zitun|06:38

Lebanese officials, including Parliament Speaker Nabih Berri, Prime Minister Najib Mikati, and Hezbollah's leadership, have established a framework outlining five key principles for cease fire negotiations, according to a report in the Hezbollah-affiliated Al-Akhbar newspaper on Thursday. Hezbollah.

First and foremost, Lebanon prioritizes its own interests over those of Israel and will not negotiate with the United States as long as it speaks on Israel's behalf, Al Akhbar wrote. According to the report, Lebanon demands a complete and immediate cease fire, rejecting any notion of temporary pauses or intermittent cease fires.

It insists on a comprehensive cessation of all military actions and the withdrawal of Israeli forces from all Lebanese territory. Lebanon rejects any phased implementation agreement; instead, it calls for the full implementation of UN Security Council Resolution 1701 without any modifications to its enforcement mechanism, along with guarantees that Israel will cease all violations.

Lebanon also dismisses any effort to link the return of displaced individuals to their villages with any other arrangements. The displaced will return just hours after a cease fire is achieved and once Israel has completed its withdrawal. Lebanon maintains that no external entity has authority over its reconstruction efforts.

Finally, the paper wrote, Lebanon will not tolerate Israeli aircraft entering its airspace or Israeli boats entering its territorial waters, and it refuses to grant any security or military oversight to the U.S. or Israel. A temporary committee, including representatives from relevant UN forces, would be the sole body authorized to oversee each party's adherence to Resolution 1701.

The Lebanese position as reported by Al Akhbar come as Israeli and American officials have indicated progress in the talks to achieve an end to the fighting in Lebanon and an agreement that would remove Hezbollah from South Lebanon.

Israel was seeking American assurances in a "side document" that would specify Israel's freedom of operation if Lebanon violates any agreements. "This is Israel's top priority," an official said. "We have clear understandings with the Americans. In the event of weapons transfers from Syria, Hezbollah rearmament, or attempted attacks, we will have support to act."

The emerging arrangement is expected to include Hezbollah's withdrawal north of the Litani River, deployment of the Lebanese Army and an international peacekeeping force in southern Lebanon, and the prevention of weapons transfers from Syria.

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'Israel plans Lebanon cease-fire as gift for Trump,' report

Minister Ron Dermer holds talks in D.C. aiming for agreement in time for Trump's second term; Key points include Hezbollah's withdrawal, Lebanese army deployment and Russia's pressure on al-Assad to prevent Syrian arms smuggling
ynet correspondents|01:58

Israel is maneuvering toward a ceasefire agreement with Lebanon, an initiative poised to gift the incoming President Donald Trump with a diplomatic triumph as he takes office. According to reports in the Washington Post on Thursday.

Prime Minister Netanyahu had already set the stage for this "new era" with Washington well before the American presidential elections, maintaining contact with Trump while Strategic Affairs Minister Ron Dermer discussed the matter with Trump's son-in-law, Jared Kushner, an architect of the Abraham Accords.

A former Trump administration official told the paper that Kushner may assume an advisory role should normalization talks between Israel and Saudi Arabia advance, even if he holds no official position in the White House.

Dermer's talks at Mar-a-Lago, Trump's Florida estate, reportedly focused on a ceasefire agreement in Lebanon involving Russian participation. Russian representatives visited Israel last month to deliberate on the plan, and Dermer followed up with a visit to Russia.

From Hezbollah's perspective, a source close to the terror group indicated potential agreement to withdraw its forces north of the Litani River as part of a provisional ceasefire. According to Israeli sources, the Lebanese army would control the border area during the first 60 days of the agreement, supervised by the U.S. and the U.K. However, Hezbollah resists Israel's stipulation, intended to be a "side document" to the agreement, asserting a clear condition: Israel must refrain from operations within Lebanese territory.

An Israeli official said that negotiations with the U.S. were nearing agreement. Central to these talks was a "side document," deemed critical, to be provided by the U.S., that would specify Israel's operational freedom in response to any Lebanese violations.

Israel and the U.S. have reached explicit understandings, granting Israel the backing to act in the event of weapons transfers from Syria, Hezbollah rearmament, or attempted attacks. The importance of U.S. agreement is underscored by existing tensions between the nations, with legitimacy and the ability to act being paramount for Israel. The core elements of the emerging arrangement include Hezbollah's withdrawal north of the Litani River, Lebanese army deployment in southern Lebanon, and preventing weapon transfers from Syria. Concurrently, Israeli representatives, including Dermer, have visited Moscow to enlist Russian pressure on Syrian President Bashar Assad's regime. Israel is already targeting military sites within Syria, reflecting an assessment that

Russian President Vladimir Putin has vested interests in safeguarding Assad's regime from potential destabilization due to continued arms transfers.

Despite these efforts, significant doubts linger regarding Lebanon's willingness to accept the arrangement. As one Israeli official noted, understandings with the Americans can be achieved, but ultimately, the Lebanese may reject them. Should this occur, Israel is prepared with alternative operational plans, vowing not to tolerate a prolonged state of attrition warfare and pledging intensified action in Lebanon until an agreement is reached. An agreement could be reached in the coming weeks. If successful, it would be presented for approval by Israel's political-security cabinet, though it remains undecided whether Knesset approval would also be necessary.

Amos Hochstein, the U.S. special envoy to Lebanon, expressed optimism about a deal being reached but said that there was no Russian involvement from the American perspective, in the discussions between Israel and Moscow. Russia was reportedly willing to provide guarantees to prevent arms smuggling from Syria to Lebanon, but demands that the U.S. remove Russian companies from U.S. blacklists and sanctions.

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Security sources say airstrikes target routes used by Hezbollah's Unit 4,400 for arms transfers; Syrian air defenses reportedly spring into action against incoming threats; 4 people suffer minor injuries

Lior Ben Ari|12:16

Israeli airstrikes targeted key roads between Syria and Lebanon used by Hezbollah's Unit 4,400 for weapon transfers, Saudi-owned Al Hadath news channel reported Wednesday evening, citing a security source.

The unit, responsible for moving arms from Iran and its allies to Hezbollah in Lebanon, has been under increased scrutiny after a senior member was killed in Damascus last month.

Al Hadath reported that suspected Israeli strikes hit the city of al-Qusayr and nearby villages in the Homs region of Syria. The Syrian radio station Sham FM reported that Syrian air defenses were activated in response to hostile targets in the rural areas of Homs, near the Lebanese border, and that four people sustained minor injuries in the attack near al-Qusayr.

Additionally, the opposition-affiliated Syrian news site Voice of the Capital reported explosions in the area.

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Israeli Navy joined ground forces in several deadly strikes on Hezbollah

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Israeli Navy submarines join ground forces in deadly strikes on Hezbollah in Lebanon
Watch: IDF shares footage of Navy and ground forces working together in Lebanon operations, where submarines and missile boats target terrorists; strikes eliminate senior Hamas and Hezbollah operatives and hit strategic facilities

Yoav Zitun|11:34

The IDF on Wednesday evening released footage of Navy operations amid ongoing fighting in Lebanon, showcasing defensive and offensive missions at sea, where submarines and missile boats joined ground forces to eliminate terrorists.

In one video, Navy forces, with intelligence assistance from Shin Bet and Naval Intelligence, killed Said Alaa Naif Ali, a senior operative in Hamas' military wing in Lebanon, who was responsible for planning attacks against Israeli targets and recruiting operatives for Hamas in Lebanon.

In a separate strike led by Air Force intelligence, the IDF confirmed it had killed Ali Barakat, a central figure in Hezbollah's Unit 127, specializing in aerial operations. The operations were coordinated through the Navy's fire control center in close collaboration with the Northern Command, the Air Force and Military Intelligence.

In another operation led by Naval Intelligence, Israeli fighter jets targeted Hezbollah's main naval base in Beirut. The facility, serving as a key operational center, housed dozens of vessels and was used for training Hezbollah's naval force in attacks on Israeli maritime and strategic targets.

Meanwhile, a senior Israeli official told Ynet on Wednesday that talks with the United States on a political arrangement to end fighting against Hezbollah on the northern border are in their final drafting stages, with Strategic Affairs Minister Ron Dermer leading the efforts with Washington.

At the center of the talks is a supplement intended to secure Israel's operational freedom in case of violations by Lebanon. "This is the most important thing for Israel," the official stressed.

"We have clear understandings with the Americans," he added. "In cases of weapons smuggling from Syria, Hezbollah's rearmament or attempts at attacks — we'll have backing to act." He noted that the agreement with Washington is especially significant amid the ongoing tensions between the countries. "The arrangement and legitimacy to act are very important to us."

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Israel Knesset may vote next week on final draft for Lebanon cease-fire

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Israel, US zero in on final draft for Lebanon cease-fire, official says
US-mediated talks reportedly nearing completion on an agreement aimed at pushing Hezbollah back from border while ensuring Israel retains operational freedom should terms be violated
Itamar Eichner|10:49

Talks with the United States on a political arrangement to end fighting against Hezbollah on the northern border are in their final drafting stages, with Strategic Affairs Minister Ron Dermer leading the efforts with Washington, a senior Israeli official told Ynet on Wednesday.

At the center of the talks is a supplement intended to secure Israel's operational freedom in case of violations by Lebanon. "This is the most important thing for Israel," the official stressed.

"We have clear understandings with the Americans," he added. "In cases of weapons smuggling from Syria, Hezbollah's rearmament or attempts at attacks — we'll have backing to act." He noted that the agreement with Washington is especially significant amid the ongoing tensions between the countries. "The arrangement and legitimacy to act are very important to us."

The main terms of the emerging arrangement include Hezbollah's withdrawal north of the Litani River, deployment of the Lebanese army in the country's south and prevention of weapons smuggling and deliveries from Syria.

Israeli representatives, including Dermer, have visited Moscow to try to enlist Russia's influence in pressuring Syrian President Bashar al-Assad's regime alongside talks with the Americans.

"We're already attacking in Syria, including military targets," the official revealed. Israel believes Russian President Vladimir Putin has an interest in preventing harm to Assad's regime that could potentially come from the continuation of weapons transfers to Hezbollah.

The officials also stressed, however, that there's still significant doubt about Lebanon's willingness to agree to the arrangement. "You can reach understandings with the U.S., but the Lebanese can ultimately say no," he noted.

In that case, Israel has alternative operational plans and "won't sit idly by nor allow this state of attrition to continue," and it will act "with greater intensity," in Lebanon until an arrangement is achieved.

A clearer assessment of the deal's chances of being accepted is expected within the next two weeks. If finalized, the agreement will be presented for approval by Israel's Security Cabinet and may also require a vote in the Knesset.

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FBI arrests CIA agent sharing documents detailing Israel preparing attack on Iran

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FBI arrests CIA agent in Pentagon leak scandal, report says

Suspect in classified document leak detailing Israel's preparations for attack on Iran identified as Asif William Rahman, CIA operative with top-secret clearance; Rahman arrested in Cambodia and expected to appear before judge in Guam

Ynet|09:30

The FBI has arrested a suspect in Cambodia linked to the leak of classified Pentagon documents detailing Israel's preparations for its attack on Iran, The New York Times reported Wednesday afternoon.

According to court documents and sources familiar with the case, the suspect, identified as Asif William Rahman, is a CIA officer who had been working outside the United States.

The Times cited court filings indicating that Rahman had a security clearance granting him access to top-secret information, similar to many CIA employees handling classified material. The CIA declined to comment on the report.

Rahman was reportedly detained in Cambodia on Tuesday, following the filing of charges against him last week in a federal court in Virginia. He faces two counts of willful retention and transmission of national defense information. He is expected to appear in court on Thursday in Guam, a U.S. territory in the Pacific Ocean.

The two classified documents were leaked last month during Israel's preparations for a potential response to a barrage of ballistic missiles launched by Iran on October 1. According to at least one foreign media report, which Israel later denied, the leak caused a delay in its response, which eventually came three weeks after the missile strike in an operation called Days of Repentance.

The documents, dated October 15 and 16 and marked "Top Secret," first surfaced on a pro-Iran Telegram channel before being shared on X (formerly Twitter). They were reportedly produced by the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA), which analyzes data and images gathered by U.S. spy satellites. Their security classification restricts sharing to the Five Eyes alliance, an intelligence-sharing network among the United States, Australia, Canada, New Zealand and the United Kingdom.

The leaked documents detail Israeli preparations for an attack on Iran, including a "large-scale deployment drill" by the Israeli Air Force and an aerial refueling exercise. One document states that the Air Force was working with air-launched ballistic missiles, and, since October 8, had engaged with at least 16 missiles labeled "Golden Horizon" and at least 40 of another model known as ISO2 or Rocks.

The specifics of the "Golden Horizon" missile remain unclear, as it has not been previously disclosed by Israel or other sources. The Rocks missile, however, was unveiled by Rafael Advanced Defense Systems in 2019 and is described on the company's website as an air-to-surface missile equipped with a lethal warhead, capable of destroying targets both above ground and in fortified underground locations.

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Biden may sanction Ben-Gvir before leaving; to urge sanctions around the world

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Biden administration wants to sanction Ben-Gvir before leaving White House

With two months left as US president, Biden aims to impose sanctions on the National Security Minister, hoping to create a domino effect of sanctions in countries around the world

Itamar Eichner, Daniel Edelson, New York|16:17

The U.S. State Department is contemplating imposing sanctions on National Security Minister Itamar Ben-Gvir during the final stretch of President Joe Biden's tenure, according to sources familiar with the matter. These sanctions aim to balance the backlash stemming from the administration's decision not to impose an arms embargo on Israel, following an ultimatum letter. On Tuesday evening, the U.S. declared that Israel is not in violation of U.S. law on humanitarian aid to Gaza.

State Department officials are urging Secretary of State Antony Blinken to endorse the sanctions against Ben-Gvir – a move unprecedented in the annals of U.S.-Israel relations, which would mark the first time that the U.S. would impose sanctions on a sitting government minister. The U.S. has already sanctioned several organizations and individuals in the West Bank, alleging that they are involved in violence against Palestinians.

The Americans anticipate that a Trump administration would likely rescind the sanctions immediately upon taking office on January 20. However, they are banking on a "domino effect," in which a slew of countries and entities, including the European Union, Canada, Australia, New Zealand and Japan, would follow suit and levy sanctions against Ben-Gvir. Thus, even if Trump were to annul the sanctions, they would probably remain intact in other parts of the world.

The sanctions envisioned by the State Department would bar Ben-Gvir from visiting the U.S. and prevent American entities from transferring funds to him.

In recent months, the U.S. has also weighed sanctions against Finance Minister Bezalel Smotrich. Still, it is believed the administration will refrain from doing so, understanding that Smotrich might retaliate by not renewing Israeli banks' permission to engage with Palestinian banks in the West Bank, potentially leading to the Palestinian Authority's economic collapse. Recently, Smotrich extended this permission for just one month.

Globally, Smotrich and Ben-Gvir, who hold relatively senior government positions, are effectively boycotted. Beyond the U.S., senior European officials also avoid engaging with them in any professional capacity.

Last month, British Prime Minister Keir Starmer announced that London is considering sanctions on Smotrich and Ben-Gvir due to some of their statements about Gazan civilians, which he labeled as "abhorrent." As of yet, the UK has not declared sanctions against them, despite their remarks concerning Gaza Strip residents amid the ongoing conflict.

The National Security Minister sparked international outrage by calling for the cessation of humanitarian aid and fuel transfers to Gaza until all hostages are returned and also for advocating for "encouraging migration and conquering the Gaza Strip territories to hold them permanently." Smotrich, for his part, stated at an August conference that Israel provides aid to the Gaza Strip "because there is no choice" and suggested it "might be moral to starve two million Gazans." His remarks ignited a global uproar, echoed by international media and shared widely across various platforms by network influencers. In addition to potentially sanctioning Ben-Gvir, the U.S. issued a warning Tuesday evening that legislation against UNRWA could lead to "consequences," as stated by the Deputy State Department spokesperson.

"There are still two months before the legislation takes effect, and we continue to discuss this with the Israeli government, clarifying that steps preventing essential aid to citizens could have legal and policy repercussions," said Vedant Patel. Addressing the decision not to impose an arms embargo on Israel, he noted: "We will continue monitoring Israel's actions and evaluate if they comply with American law. Should we find any non-compliance, we will take appropriate measures."

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Next US ambassador to Israel: Mike Huckabee says Israel should control West Bank

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This is the next US ambassador to Israel: Mike Huckabee says Israel 'should control' the West Bank

Former Arkansas governor will replace Biden appointee Jack Lew; The evangelical Christian minister ran in the Republican presidential primaries twice, is considered a strong supporter of Israel and the settlements, and has said that he considered buying a house in the settlement of Efrat

Daniel Edelson, New York, Itamar Eichner|13:32

The next U.S. ambassador to Israel will be Mike Huckabee, the former governor of Arkansas who ran twice in the Republican presidential primaries for the presidency, President-elect Donald Trump announced Tuesday. Huckabee will replace Jack Lew, who was appointed by President Joe Biden.

Huckabee ran in the 2008 Republican primaries and lost to John McCain, and eight years later lost to Trump. Huckabee is identified with the evangelical Christian right in the United States, and defines himself as a great supporter of Israel. He is an evangelical minister by training, and served as a political commentator on the right-wing Fox News.

In 2015, while running for the Republican Party's presidential nomination, Huckabee visited the ancient West Bank site of Shiloh, the site of the biblical tabernacle. "Judea and Samaria are an inseparable part of the State of Israel and everyone needs to understand that. Anyone running for the presidency of the United States should visit here," he said while at Shiloh, using the biblical designations for the West Bank.

In an interview with Ynet at the time he said that "Israel needs to control Judea and Samaria". He said, among other things, that Jewish settlement is "a factor leading to regional peace."

Huckabee, who is considered an ardent supporter of the annexation of the West Bank, has also said in the past that he is considering buying a house in the settlement of Efrat. Apart from his visit to Shiloh, he also prayed at Joseph's Tomb in Nablus and has rejected the two-state solution. "What has been built here is a bridge to peace," he said when he visited Efrat in the Etzion bloc in 2018, while emphasizing the economic partnership with Palestinian workers who, according to him, receive improved wages and conditions compared to in the Palestinian Authority. Huckabee called for continued construction in the area, as opposed to freezes that were customary during the Obama administration.

The choice of Huckabee is also interesting because it was thought that if Trump did not appoint David Friedman as Secretary of State, he might ask him to return to serve as ambassador to Israel. In the end, Marco Rubio has been appointed Secretary of State; Rubio also was defeated by Trump in the Republican primaries in 2016.

Huckabee is also considered a vocal critic of singer Beyoncé, claiming that her content and shows are not suitable for children. He criticized her cultural influence, especially on young people, and called her conduct "too provocative." Huckabee even addressed Beyoncé's relationship with her husband, the rapper Jay-Z, and claimed that he sometimes presents her in a disrespectful way.

His positions received widespread reactions in the media, and some have seen them as part of the conservative trends and religious values that guide him, while others have accused him of an unnecessary entry into the popular cultural discourse.

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The Israeli government's decision to open another crossing for humanitarian aid to Gaza, under orders from the U.S., has sparked outrage among local residents, who cite unresolved trauma and security concerns; 'Through the crossing, dozens of Israelis were kidnapped,' they write in letter to Biden
Gal Ganot, Yoav Zitun|12:30

The Israeli government has announced the start of humanitarian aid deliveries via the reopened Kissufim Crossing, a move driven by directives from the political leadership and aimed at bolstering the flow and routes of aid into the Gaza Strip. This initiative, which began on Tuesday, involves the dispatch of humanitarian aid trucks carrying essentials such as food, water, medical supplies and shelter materials to central and southern Gaza.

The decision has sparked outrage among the residents of Kibbutz Kissufim, who have expressed their anger in a letter to President Joe Biden, describing their feelings as a "personal and national trauma." This development comes amid significant American pressure and the looming threat of a U.S. arms embargo unless humanitarian aid deliveries increase, though the latter has subsided following the election of Donald Trump.

The crossing's opening was coordinated with Israeli forces through the Coordinator of Government Activities in the Territories (COGAT), the Southern Command, and the Land Crossings Authority within the Ministry of Defense. The aid was permitted entry into Gaza following security inspections at the Kerem Shalom crossing. In their letter to President Biden, members of Kibbutz Kissufim emphasized: "The place called 'Kissufim Crossing' is the point from which hundreds of Hamas terrorists and Gazan civilians crossed on October 7 with the intention to murder, rape and burn the surrounding kibbutzim - including Kissufim."

They expressed gratitude to the U.S. president for his support of Israel but noted that they were informed about the crossing's reopening, reportedly at his request, through media reports.

"Through this crossing, dozens of Israelis were kidnapped, including 87-year-old Shlomo Mansour, who is still captive," they said. "The opening of the crossing fuels our personal and national trauma. It is unacceptable. We expect the 101 hostages to return through this crossing - soon. You know how deep our pain is."

Mansour's daughter, Moshit, addressed the proximity of the Kissufim Crossing to the kibbutz, highlighting the continued absence of the hostages for 403 days and criticizing Israel's prioritization of humanitarian aid to Gaza over the security and well-being of its own citizens. "The hostages have not returned, bringing Gaza residents closer to the Kissufim border fence, and continue to abandon the lives of the soldiers in the fighting without clear targets," she said.

The situation escalated when the IDF reported the discovery of ammunition within a humanitarian aid convoy in Gaza for the first time. During a coordinated international convoy monitored by military forces, suspicion arose of unusual movement, prompting a security inspection at the humanitarian corridor between the north and south of the strip.

Israeli forces found a bag containing ammunition for firearms. The military detailed that those involved, along with convoy members, were detained for field investigation by Unit 504, with further handling by IDF and security forces.

This incident surfaces as the Israeli cabinet deliberates on expanding aid to Gazans, a decision already being implemented by the military with dozens of daily truck deliveries. The policy shift comes under intense American pressure, despite concerns the aid might be seized by Hamas.

According to a report by The Guardian, the volume of aid entering Gaza has plummeted to its lowest level since December 2023, amid U.S. arms embargo threats. COGAT's data prompted the cabinet to address the issue in a recent discussion, resulting in the decision to expand aid, although visits to Gazan detainees remain prohibited. Officials in Jerusalem hope that upcoming diplomatic engagements in Washington will alleviate the threat.

Minister of Strategic Affairs Ron Dermer, closely associated with Prime Minister Netanyahu, is slated to meet with senior U.S. officials and President-elect Donald Trump, while President Isaac Herzog will confer with outgoing President Joe Biden. The American ultimatum, demanding Israeli compliance within 30 days, was issued on October 13 and is nearing its deadline. It remains uncertain what measures, if any, the U.S. administration will adopt against Israel should it fail to meet Washington's demands.

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IDF expect weeks to clear North Gaza, where terrorists & commanders converged

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The heavy toll of continued fighting in Jabaliya - 24 soldiers killed in 6 weeks. Jabaliya in northern Gaza remains a tough stronghold to crack, as more than 200 explosives-rigged buildings were uncovered in 6 weeks of intensive combat, and according to IDF estimations the operation will last at least several more weeks. Yoav Zitun|12:23

Fighting in Jabaliya has entered its second month and is continuing to take a heavy toll. Five soldiers were killed there within a single day in two separate incidents, bringing the death toll among Israeli troops fighting there to 24 since the operation in Jabaliya began just six weeks ago. Despite two previous IDF raids on the city in the past year — one in December and another in May and June — Jabaliya remains a focus of intensive combat.

During operations by the Kfir Brigade in the area, troops located and destroyed rocket launchers aimed at Israeli communities along the Gaza border. Additionally, IDF forces uncovered Hamas uniforms, military equipment, AK-47 rifles, and weapons components. The Kfir Brigade has neutralized around 50 terrorists in close-quarters combat and airstrikes and dismantled dozens of terrorist infrastructures.

Lt. Col. Yoel, commander of the Shimshon Battalion, commented near a discovered rocket launcher: "Right here beside me is a launch site. This is where Hamas launches

rockets at Israel's Gaza border communities. We will reach any location the enemy uses to set up launch facilities or anything targeting Israeli civilians. We will find it, destroy it, and eliminate the threat."

Israeli forces are continuing to fortify a new cross-beam axis around the northern third of Gaza. This route cuts between Gaza City and Jabaliya to its north, enhancing control over the area.

The combat patterns have remained largely unchanged in the sixth week of the raid: Forces sweep Hamas strongholds, primarily within Jabaliya's refugee camp, and apply pressure on two nearby towns, Beit Hanoun and Beit Lahia, encouraging any remaining civilians to move southward toward Gaza City – and ideally beyond the Nitzarim area to the southern part of Gaza.

IDF forces are discovering weapons caches daily and engaging with terrorists regularly. The primary threat remains IEDs: Hamas has rigged more than 200 buildings in Jabaliya, primarily with "dumb" explosives using improvised tripwires but without surveillance cameras.

The IDF estimates this operation will be more prolonged than previous ones, potentially lasting several more weeks. Three IDF brigades under the 162nd Division are participating in the raid. The IDF has identified Jabaliya as a core Hamas stronghold in northern Gaza, where hundreds of terrorists — including senior commanders — have converged.

Despite the IDF managing to evacuate tens of thousands of residents from the city over the past month, breaking what the IDF describes as a "fear barrier" imposed by Hamas, a few thousand civilians remain.

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IDF strikes Hezbollah stronghold in Beirut, brings down high-rise building

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IDF strikes Dahieh, brings down apartment block

Attacks on the Hezbollah stronghold come after three consecutive warnings to local residents to leave the area for their own safety; missile seen targeting high-rise building
Lior Ben Ari|05:45

Israel launched strikes on Beirut's Dahieh quarter on Tuesday bringing a multi-story building down in a massive explosion.

The attacks came after the IDF Arabic language spokesperson posted three consecutive warnings, minutes apart, for residents of the area to leave for safety.

Videos of the attack on the residential block showed a missile heading toward it before it was destroyed. Lebanese media said a health institute was also hit.

At the same time Hezbollah targeted the northern cities of Acre and Haifa with rockets. Rockets also targeted the Upper Galilee region after a drone launched from Lebanon crashed outside a kindergarten in the Haifa suburb of Nesher.

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Mossad confirms intel of terror plot to attack Israelis in Thailand Full Moon party

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Mossad confirms concrete intel of plot to attack Israelis in Ko Pha Ngan Full Moon party
Thai police bolsters forces in island amid reports of planned attack during Full Moon party, a favorite of visiting Israelis; security council issues travel warning, calls to avoid Israeli markings and crowded gatherings throughout Thailand

Itamar Eichner|Updated:05:26

Mossad confirmed on Tuesday that there was an immediate and credible threat of a plot to attack Israelis during the Full Moon party at Ko Pha Ngan on Friday. Ynet learned earlier that Thailand police warned in an internal brief, of the planned attack on Israeli tourists on the island.

Thai police increased their activity on the island and set up roadblocks. Officials involved in the matter said that there is concrete information of the plan to target the estimated tens of thousands of Israeli visitors.

The National Security Council issued a travel warning urging Israelis to be aware of their surroundings, report any suspicious activity, avoid Israeli markings and also avoid crowded gatherings. The NSC said the warnings were for all of Thailand and not only Ko Pha Ngan.

Ko Pha Ngan is known not only for its beautiful beaches but also for its full moon parties that carry on through the night. "From my experience, Israelis are rattled easily," said Erez Rot, a travel agent based in Ko Samui, another Thai island. "But maybe this year, certainly after the attacks in Amsterdam, Israelis should avoid crowded gatherings." He said that since the outbreak of war, tourism in Thailand had taken a hit and fewer Israelis travel there.

Concerns of an attack come weeks after a specific warning was issued to Israelis visiting Sri Lanka, who were told to leave the Arugam Bay area because a hit squad was believed to be in the area. Three suspects were later arrested and according to court filings in the U.S., Iran was behind a plot to target the Israelis there.

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Israel seizes millions from PA Martyrs Fund to compensate Nova victims

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Israel seizes millions from PA after Nova victims appeal to court

Victims' families claim the Palestinian Authority's funding of terrorist actions directly harmed them and their loved ones on October 7 while seeking compensation

Lital Dobrovitsky|04:04

The Jerusalem District Court on Monday granted the request of 11 families of victims of the Nova Music Festival massacre executed by Hamas on October 7, issuing a temporary attachment order of up to NIS 169 million (\$42.8 million) against the Palestinian Authority (PA). This means that should the families win their lawsuit against the PA for NIS 334 million (\$84.7 million), the amount would be allocated for their compensation.

The appeal, filed by attorneys Tzvi A. Shamir and Gilead Sher, argued that the victims named in the lawsuit were among those attending the Nova festival and were murdered by terrorists. It included a victim who was present at Nova and was injured.

The attachment request claimed, "The Palestinian Authority, which has transferred and continues to transfer funds as rewards and compensation to terrorists and their families under PA legislation, thereby supports the terror acts committed by the terrorists in the massacre. Hence, the PA bears liability for damages to terror victims and their families." The request further argued that Israel's law for compensating terror victims provides the petitioners with a solid basis for a claim against the PA and allows for a direct civil lawsuit against any entity involved in a terror act.

The law allows exemplary compensation of NIS 10 million (\$2.5 million) to the families of those killed in terror attacks and NIS 5 million (\$1.25 million) to those left disabled, in addition to compensation for damages and other stipends.

The request also added that, according to the Compensation of Victims of Terrorism Bill, a "terror-supporting body" is defined as any entity that transfers funds due to a terror attack for the benefit of the perpetrator or on their behalf.

Last September, the Jerusalem District Court issued an attachment order of NIS 160 million (\$40.6 million) on funds designated for the Palestinian Authority at the appeal of dozens of other bereaved families, including families who lost loved ones in the past year, represented by attorneys Barak Kedem and Arie Arbus.

The families were those whose relatives were murdered in recent years' attacks, including terrorist infiltrations, suicide bombings in major cities and the events of October 7, including the Nova festival massacre.

The funds were seized under the 2018 Law on Freezing Revenues Designated for the Palestinian Authority which includes the Payments to Prisoners and Families of Terrorism Offenders clause.

According to the 2018 law, Israel's defense minister submits a report to the Security Cabinet at the end of each year detailing the total amount paid by the Palestinian Authority's Martyrs Fund to terrorists and their families in the previous year. The

following year, an amount equal to 1/12 of the reported sum is frozen from the tax revenues Israel transfers to the PA each month.

Currently, NIS 2 billion (\$532 million) is frozen in the state's treasury due to this law. The court has now decided to seize money from the fund and allocate it to the plaintiffs who sued the Palestinian Authority.

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Drone crashes on pre-school yard in Haifa; kids taken to shelter before UAV hit

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Drone crashes on pre-school in Haifa Suburb

Kindergarten staff rushes children into shelters as a practice when sirens in nearby areas warn of a threat; the kids were taken to safety before the UAV hit; 'the staff saved lives,' a grateful father says

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An attack drone launched by Hezbollah in Lebanon crashed into the yard of a preschool in the Haifa suburb of Nesher on Tuesday, while the children were inside. No one was hurt.

No sirens were activated in the area of the preschool although the drone was observed crossing the border from Lebanon and was being chased by the IDF as warning sirens sounded along its way. The military said it was investigating why the Nesher sirens were not heard.

A father of a 4.5-year-old girl attending the kindergarten praised the staff for its conduct after they rushed the kids into shelters on their own initiative and said their actions saved lives. "Whenever there are sirens nearby the staff takes the children into the shelter. The teacher sent a message to the parents' group telling us the kids were fine with pictures of them in the shelter, even before the drone hit."

Repeated attempts to shoot down the drone, failed in the 14 minutes of flight as it approached the area of Haifa.

Similar attacks have taken place in the recent days and the threat of drone strikes has become one of the more complex for aerial defenses. Drones are used by pro-Iran militias in Iraq and Syria and by the Houthi rebels in Yemen, as well as Hezbollah.

According to the Air Force, some 1,300 attack drones were launched at Israel since the start of the war. 231 hit the ground. This means some 82% of the hostile UAVs have been successfully shot down.

The IDF has been trying to target the Hezbollah's secretive 127 Unit responsible for launching attack drones areas from where the drones, even after its commander was assassinated in the attack on the Dahieh last September. Only 10% of the unit's force has been killed thus far, the military said adding that the terror group still retains some 30% of its drone arsenal after most was destroyed in IDF attacks on warehouses and launchers.

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Families of hostages tell thousands of Jews at DC rally its time for deal to end war

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Relatives of Israelis still held in Gaza take part in annual Jewish community rally at National Mall and call on US and Israel to work together to expedite efforts to complete a hostage deal that brings their loved ones home

Daniel Edelson, New York, Alexandra Lukash, Yael Ciechanover|12:53

Families of Israelis held hostage in Gaza called for their release in addresses before thousands at the "Stand Together" rally in Washington, the largest gathering of the U.S. Jewish community.

The annual event, held at the National Mall overnight Sunday, was organized by the Jewish Federations of North America (JFNA). Among the speakers were Yarden Gonen, sister of hostage Romi Gonen; Daniel, Orna and Ronen Neutra, the brother and parents of Omer Neutra; and Daniel Lifshitz, grandson of Oded Lifshitz.

They urged Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and U.S. President-elect Donald Trump to "End the war before the presidential inauguration on January 20. The time is now." "A deal is the only way to bring the hostages back, return them to life and allow the deceased to be laid to rest. We saw this when 100 hostages were released in a deal last November. Netanyahu said Sinwar was an obstacle to a deal, but he was eliminated. The international community must pressure Hamas to come to the negotiation table and make a deal, now," Daniel, Orna and Ronen said in their speech.

The thousands in the crowd displayed their support for the families, holding signs with photos of the hostages and calling for their return. Outside the venue, at the Hostages U.S. organization, activists displayed a giant sign where participants wrote messages to the hostages, pledging to do everything possible for their release. "We haven't forgotten you and we won't stop fighting."

"The solution is clear – unity. Unity for a free world fighting against terror. We must stand together for the release of the hostages and for justice," Yarden Gonen said in her speech. "This is a fight not only for Israel but for everyone who believes in peace and dignity. We must work together."

She added: "Imagine the moment Romi is freed. I want all of you to feel that you helped bring her home. We must bring everyone home now."

"Our nation is in deep pain," Daniel Lifshitz added. "Soldiers are dying in war, and our families cannot begin to heal until our loved ones return. A deal is the only way to bring our hostages home and heal as a nation. We need our leaders to make brave decisions."

"My grandfather is a peace activist who believes in people and the power to create change. He never gave up on peace or on ways to bridge the divides between us. For him, for [Yehud] Arbel, and for all those affected by October 7 and beyond, we must do everything we can to bring them home now. Their lives are in our hands."

'401 days in captivity - a shame for Biden and Israeli government'

Adi Alexander, whose son Edan is still held in Gaza, spoke with Ynet before leaving for Washington. "We have a busy week ahead and we hope to make the most of it," he said. "Our goal is mainly to ensure that our issue doesn't fall through the cracks in the transition from U.S. President Joe Biden's administration to the Trump administration. I hope we can connect all the parties who'll be involved with the hostages in the future and ensure a smooth transition."

"Each time we meet, we feel like things are moving forward," he added. "There's some conference, summit or additional call that President Biden holds. We've executed a considerable number of actions over the past year. They haven't borne fruit yet, but diplomacy never works until it does — and I sincerely hope it works this time." Talking about the messages the U.S. administration has been conveying to families, he added: "They're constantly changing; sometimes we hear we're close to a deal, other times we're further from it."

"Disasters often happen along the way that prevent it for one reason or another, or when each side becomes more entrenched in its stance, which is very frustrating and disappointing. The fact that we've marked 401 days in Hamas captivity is a shame for both the Biden administration and the Israeli government," he added.

"I met with Trump about a month ago," Alexander said. "We had a relatively long and personal meeting before he knew he was going to be elected. Maybe he felt he would be. He made us a promise that the hostage issue would remain a top priority and I hope he follows through on that."

"I hope this issue doesn't drag on until after the inauguration," he added. "There's an argument that now President Biden won't be bound by the consequences of a tougher or bolder stance when it comes to negotiations."

'I don't know how they're surviving'

Former hostage Yelena Trufanov, whose son Alexander remains captive in Gaza, said in an interview with Ynet that her son is marking a second birthday in captivity. "Today I feel just like I do every other day," she shared. "I didn't think it would take so long. It seemed like it would happen soon, maybe in a month or two. It just doesn't end."

Yelena, who lost her husband and house on October 7, added: "I don't know how they're surviving. Every day I pray that they have food, water and air."

When asked how she copes, she replied: "Only prayers, faith and support from others keep me strong. When people talk about a deal too much it means it's not going to happen. Things are supposed to happen in silence. But I'm very hopeful. What else can I do? Everyone says, 'Don't listen to the media,' but I don't know who to trust." She also spoke about her son. "He's smart, good-hearted and handsome. He has so many friends. When we were all there [in captivity], his friends took on the role our families

would have, cared for us, were our voice and they're still in touch, continuing to be our family. We're all waiting for my son Sasha to come home already," she said.

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Smotrich prepares for West Bank annexation; Gantz rants on budget & draft

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Smotrich orders Defense Ministry to prepare for West Bank annexation

After congratulating President-elect Trump for his victory, Finance Minister Bezalel Smotrich lays the groundwork for West Bank annexation in 2025: 'The year 2025 will be the year of sovereignty for Judea and Samaria'

Moran Azulay|10:55

Finance Minister Bezalel Smotrich congratulated Donald Trump of upon his re-election during the Religious Zionism Party faction meeting on Monday and called for Israeli sovereignty to be applied throughout the entire West Bank.

"After years of unfortunate interfering in Israeli politics by the current U.S. administration and choosing not to cooperate with me as the finance minister of the State of Israel, I congratulate the elected administration and look forward to working together for the benefit of strengthening the economic and commercial relations between our countries," Smotrich said.

"Trump's victory also brings with it an important opportunity for the State of Israel. We were a step away from applying sovereignty to the settlements in Judea and Samaria, and now is the time to do it. Today there is a broad consensus in the coalition and in the opposition that the establishment of a Palestinian state would endanger the existence of the State of Israel. 2025 will be the year of sovereignty in Judea and Samaria. I instructed the Directorate of Settlements in the Defense Ministry and the Civil Administration to begin professional and comprehensive work to prepare for applying our sovereignty," he said.

National Unity Party chairman Benny Gantz commented on Smotrich's words. "The schism between the efforts of our military forces on seven fronts and the coalition's attempt to tear us apart from within screams to the heavens. I ask the members of the coalition, how can you live with yourselves? The families of the reservists are collapsing and you take care of those unwilling to draft to the IDF?"

"The people want to unite and you are returning to the judicial overhaul. Thousands were evacuated from their homes and you are building more government offices and inflating political budgets? Have you forgotten October 6? Have you forgotten in whose name we are here? Have you forgotten that Judaism pursues justice, and not the gatekeepers?"

"The army needs to be more careful in the way it uses the reservists," Gantz said earlier, commenting on Ynet's report on the drop in the number of reservists willing to serve. "It is possible to critically observe with more attention to who is called up, how many are

called up, where they are sent, and **what is their mission**. We must ensure they are not called up so easily for reserves. I trust the commanders to do that," Gantz added. In the **first months of the war**, after the October 7 massacre, **100%** of soldiers serving in the **reserves showed up** to join the fight. Although **all positions were filled**, many insisted on being deployed and **some even returned from travel abroad to enlist**.

The ranks in all **reserve units were full**, and additional reserve personnel requested and pressed to join. However, **in recent weeks, the figures have dropped** to an average of **75%-85%**.

According to the IDF's estimates, the **main reason for the decline in the willingness to serve stems from exhaustion** after the reserve **forces were in battle for months at a time** and were **repeatedly called up again and again** in the year since the war broke out.

A senior security official confirmed that the reserve combat **soldiers would be required to serve at least 100 days next year** and be called up for **45 to 60 days every four months on average**.

In addition, security officials warn that the government has **yet to allocate funds** for financial **support for soldiers** in the reserves, **many of whom lost businesses and income**. Overall, the **funds allocated for reservists** last year reached **about 9 billion shekels**. Currently, **nothing assures the reservists they will be appropriately compensated** for their service **compared to the tens of thousands of shekels each reservist received last year**.

11.11.24 – Mo

100+ rockets to Galilee, Haifa area, day after Katz declared Israel defeated Hezbollah

11.11.24 – Mo

At least 100 rockets launched toward Galilee, Haifa Bay area

Rockets caused damage to property and vehicles and scored direct hit to bus stop, 4 injured; Most were intercepted; Hezbollah claims 2 ballistic missiles among the launches
Lior El-Hai, Yair Kraus, Elisha Ben Kimon|09:00

About 90 rockets were launched toward the Galilee and Haifa Bay area late Monday afternoon in two barrages, causing damage to property and vehicles, and several injuries. Most of the rockets were intercepted, according to the IDF.

Less than an hour after the attack, **additional rocket alert sirens sounded in Safed** and the surrounding areas in a **third barrage of several rockets**.

The **first barrage** included about **80 rockets** were launched, and **10 rockets** were launched in the second barrage with some identified as falling in open areas. The Lebanese Al-Mayadeen network, which is affiliated with **Hezbollah, reported** following the launches that **two ballistic missiles** were launched to the north.

A number of **rockets fell in different areas** in the north, and in Kiryat Ata there were at least **eight scenes where rockets or parts of rockets and interceptors landed**. One rocket hit near a **bus station in Kiryat Ata, and cars caught fire as a result of falling shrapnel**.

According to Magen David Adom, at least **four were injured** by the barrages, including a 52-year-old man who was moderately wounded by **shrapnel** in his back. Three others are in a minor condition: a 75-year-old man, a 17-year-old boy with a hand injury from **broken glass** and a 55-year-old man who was injured on his way to the protected area. The three were taken to Rambam Hospital Haifa.

Damage was also reported in Kiryat Yam, according to police. Several minor injuries have been reported, as well as **several cases of anxiety attacks.**

The heavy **barrage was recorded in a video** from the village of Goren in the Western Galilee, near the border with Lebanon. In the recording, a man is heard saying in frustration: "**They are shooting at my wife!**"

The mayor of Kiryat Bialik, Eli Dukorski, said that in one of the scenes in the city, there was **damage to the roof of a building**, right above the protected room to which the residents of that building evacuated. According to him, there was no penetration in this impact, but damage was caused. There **also was damage to the wall in the nearby building.**

Residents reported hearing many interceptions in the skies over Haifa and the Haifa Bay area.

Earlier on Monday, **Hezbollah fired a barrage** of some **50 rockets** at the northern city of Karmiel and its surrounding areas on Monday. At least three people were hurt including a toddler and a woman in her 20s who suffered moderate injuries. Others suffered shock.

The rocket fire came as reports in Lebanon indicated that the IDF issued a warning to residents of some 21 South Lebanon villages to leave ahead of a strike on Hezbollah targets.

The new foreign minister: 'We are making progress towards a settlement'

The **massive rocket fire** also comes a **day after** new Defense Minister Israel **Katz declared** that **Israel had "defeated Hezbollah."** In addition, his replacement at the Foreign Ministry, Gideon Sa'ar, said in a **briefing to foreign reporters** - **hours before the unusual airstrikes** - that "there is progress in the negotiations for a cease-fire with Lebanon." According to him, **Israel is working on this together with the U.S.,** when the main **challenge will be to enforce what is agreed upon.**

Sa'ar also said that "**Russia, Syria and the international community can contribute to stopping Hezbollah's arming in Lebanon,** and guaranteeing its freedom **without an Iranian branch.** The most **important thing** in the **future** of the region is to **prevent Iran from obtaining nuclear weapons."**

11.11.24 – Mo

Arab Riyadh summit unanimously condemn Israel; call for PA state by UN

11.11.24 – Mo

Saudi Arabia's Crown Prince MBS condemns Gaza 'genocide' during Riyadh summit Summit held for second consecutive year; Arab leader unanimous in condemnation of Israel and **calls for** the establishment of a **Palestinian state and an end to the war**

Lior Ben Ari|07:55

Saudi Arabian Crown Prince Mohammed Bin Salman on Monday condemned what he described as the "genocide" of Palestinians in the war in Gaza. Speaking at the joint Arab League and Organization of Islamic Cooperation summit, MBS said Lebanon's territorial integrity must be respected and criticized Israeli strikes on Iran. The crown prince said effort must continue to establish a Palestinian state.

The summit Saudi Arabia's chief of staff visited Iran ve year and includes countries in the region. Last year, Iran's president Ibrahim Raisi attended the summit but current president Masour Pezeshki did not attend this year.

On Sunday, Saudi Arabia's chief of Staff visited Iran to meet with his counterpart. The two men discussed defense ties between the countries.

Turkey's president Recep Tayyip Erdoğan said it is vital to impose an arms embargo on Israel as well as a trade boycott. Erdoğan said the government of Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu was working to increase military tension against Iran.

"By banning UNRWA's work, Israel seeks to nullify a two-state-solution to the Palestinian conflict," he said. "Israel's aim is to settle in Gaza and to harm Palestinians in the West Bank and east Jerusalem."

The Turkish president also said Israel must be isolated internationally unless it ends its aggression in Gaza and Lebanon. "We must encourage more countries to recognize a Palestinian state," he said.

Palestinian president Mahmoud Abbas said any attempt to separate the Gaza Strip from the West Bank must be rejected and the violence from settlers must be stopped. He called on the UN Security Council and the General Assembly to suspend Israel's membership in the international body. "Nations of the world must examine their relations with Israel and not normalize them," he said.

Abbas also called to implement the General Assembly's decision regarding the opinion of the International Court of Justice (ICJ) and asked for support from an international coalition to bring about the establishment of a Palestinian state with full membership in the UN. In his concluding remarks, Abbas said the PA was preparing mechanism for the administration of Gaza.

Lebanon's caretaker prime minister Najib Mikati turned to representatives attending the summit and said his country was suffering from a historic crisis in dealing with Israel's aggression on top with other challenges. Without mentioning Hezbollah, Mikati said the economic cost of Israel's military offensive compounds the disaster. "I call on you to support Lebanon and its institutions and continue to send urgent aid," Mikati said adding that his government is committed to UN resolution 1701, passed at the end of the 2006

11.11.24 – Mo

50 rockets into Karmiel, as IDF tell villages to leave; Hezbollah not aware of deals

11.11.24 – Mo

50 Hezbollah rockets fired at Karmiel, at least 3 hurt

IDF's Arabic language spokesperson tells residents of 21 South Lebanon villages to leave ahead of a strike on Hezbollah targets; foreign minister says talks of a cease-fire in Lebanon advance but challenge remains enforcing agreements

Yair Kraus, Lior Ben Ari|05:06

Hezbollah fired a barrage of some 50 rockets at the northern city of Karmiel and its surrounding areas on Monday. At least three people were hurt including a toddler and a woman in her 20s who suffered moderate injuries. Others suffered shock.

Some of the rockets landed in the city and its surrounding while others were either intercepted or fell in unpopulated areas, the military said.

The rocket fire came as reports in Lebanon indicated that the IDF issued a warning to residents of some 21 South Lebanon villages to leave ahead of a strike on Hezbollah targets.

A spokesperson for the Iran-backed terror group said there has been no proposal delivered to Hezbollah for a deal to end the fighting across the Israel-Lebanon border. Mohammed Afif said there are negotiations underway but there were no concrete advances in the talks.

Earlier Foreign Minister Gideon Sa'ar said there has been progress with the mediation of the United States but the main challenge would be to ensure that an agreement is enforced. "Russia, Syria and the international community can contribute by stopping military supplies to Hezbollah and remove Iran's influence from Lebanon. "The most important matter for the future of the region is to prevent Iran from obtaining nuclear weapons," he said.

11.11.24 – Mo

Coup against PM, made to distract investigation of Shin Bet release of prisoners

11.11.24 – Mo

Shin Bet stages coup against prime minister, his son claims

Yair Netanyahu slams Shin Bet in a series of tweets after news broke that his father's close allies in the Prime Minister's Office were under investigation for security violation; 'They fabricated the whole thing' to hide the military junta's Oct. 7 failings

Itamar Eichner, Alexandra Lukash|03:55

Yair Netanyahu, son of Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, attacked the Shin Bet in a series of tweets noon Monday accusing the security service of staging a coup- against the backdrop of the security scandals being investigated in the Prime Minister's Office.

Yair Netanyahu was referring to reports that the prime minister was aware of Hamas activating Israeli SIM cards shortly before launching their massacre on October 7, despite Netanyahu's insistence that he was unaware.

"They fabricated the whole thing. This is gaslighting to hide the military junta's October 7 conversations from the public and the fact they concealed these talks from the prime minister," he said in his posts.

"The Shin Bet that is now arresting and torturing IDF officers for slanderous nonsense is the same Shin Bet that released the Gazan Dr. Mengele - Shifa Hospital administrator from detention along with dozens of other terrorists, a few months ago, in the excuse of lack of space in prisons?"

Ynet reported that the Prime Minister's Office was under investigation for misconduct in handling highly classified documents. According to the investigation, people close to the prime minister made unauthorized copies of sensitive documents and misplaced them around the archive. This affair is connected to the suspicion that IDF intelligence officers and Eli Feldstein leaked information to harm the chances of a hostage release deal.

In another tweet, the young Netanyahu accused the attorney general, the media, and the courts of a conducting a coup against the democratically elected government. "This is a coup against the people by the Shin Bet as if we were a South American banana republic in the 60s," he said.

In another tweet he wrote, "The Shin Bet is much tougher on intelligence officers and Prime Minister's Office employees than Hamas terrorists," in response to a report claiming that 20 terrorists had been released from prison in Israel.

In another instance, the prime minister's son shared an interview with a former official who alleged that slain Hamas leader Yahya Sinwar may have been an intelligence source for the Shin Bet on 7/10, and gave false information that there was going to be a small operation.

"There are extremely dangerous people, monsters in the Israeli prison. I think the campaign of The Hostages and Missing Families Forum did a lot of damage. The terrorists are leading the negotiations for their release from the prison, and all the internal struggles in Israeli society give them an incentive to raise the price of releasing the hostages."

11.11.24 – Mo

IDF ban all commercial or private boats along Israel coastline south of Haifa -(weather)

11.11.24 – Mo

IDF issues unusual ban on sailing boats in Mediterranean south of Haifa

Order restricting access to the waters along Israel's coastline is posted by the Shipping and Port Authority; military gives no detail or explanation for the order

Yoav Zitun, Eitan Glickman, Yair Kraus|02:29

The IDF on Monday said it was banning all small boat sailing along the Mediterranean coast in the areas south of Haifa. The unusual order said no sail boats would be allowed in the waters along the Israeli coastline until 1PM.

The military did not specify the reason for the restriction on sail boats that are less than 24 meters (26.2 yards) in length used for commercial or private purposes including yachts and motorized fishing boats.

"No person will enter or sail a small sailing vessel in the restricted area unless advance permission was given by the navy or anyone authorized by the navy to do so," the Shipping and Ports Authority said. Marina administrators were asked to post the notice on their premises.

The IDF said earlier that it had shot down four projectiles launched in Iraq that had targeted Israel. The military also said it intercepted a ballistic missile launched by the Houthi rebels in Yemen, before it entered Israeli airspace. Shrapnel from the intercept caused fires in Beit Shemesh.

11.11.24 – Mo

US, Britain strike Yemen Houthis & IDF intercepts 4 Iran missiles

11.11.24 – Mo

Houthi missile shot down, causing fire

Ballistic missile heading to Central Plains intercepted before entering Israeli territory, four projectiles launched from Iraq, shot down, military says; earlier U.S., Britain strike targets in Yemen

Yoav Zitun, Reuters | 22:57

IDF defenses shot down a ballistic missile launched by the Houthi rebels in Yemen, before it infiltrated into Israel, the military said.

Sirens blared early on Monday in the central Plains as the missile approached. Fires broke out in Beit Shemesh from shrapnel after it was intercepted. Firefighting teams were on hand to extinguish the flames.

According to Magen David Adom (MDA) health emergency services, no injuries were reported.

The IDF also said its air force shot down four projectiles fired from Iraq by pro-Iran militias there.

Earlier, Al-Masirah TV, the main television news outlet run by Yemen's Houthi movement, said early on Monday that a series of airstrikes targeted the Amran and Saada governorates, which they say were carried out by the U.S. and Britain.

11.11.24 – Mo

Progress in Israel-Lebanon deal requiring Hezbollah move north of the Litani River

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Progress in US brokered Israel-Lebanon deal

Drafts exchanged between Jerusalem, US envoy Hochstein and Lebanon PM Mikati; Security cabinet convenes to discuss potential deal

Itamar Eichner|16:05

Israel and Lebanon exchanged drafts through the mediation of U.S. envoy Amos Hochstein in what was described as progress in efforts to reach an agreement to end the fighting across the Lebanon border. The security cabinet convened Sunday after Hochstein, President Joe Biden's special envoy, has also exchanged drafts with Lebanese Prime Minister Najib Mikati and Parliament Speaker Nabih Berri.

The cabinet was expected to review all pressing issues, including updates on the ceasefire negotiations in Lebanon, the status of prisoners of war and missing persons, and the humanitarian situation. The Biden administration has set a firm demand for Israel to significantly improve humanitarian aid access to Gaza within 30 days, warning that failure to do so could lead to a U.S. arms embargo.

Sources close to the negotiations report substantial progress, with an increasingly realistic chance of reaching an agreement. They attribute this to Donald Trump's recent victory in the U.S. presidential election, suggesting that both Biden and Trump administrations share a desire to end the war before Trump's January 20 inauguration, ideally before winter sets in.

Strategic Affairs Minister Ron Dermer flew to Washington on Saturday to meet senior White House officials. Last week, he also visited Russia to promote a Middle Eastern ceasefire, specifically focused on reducing tensions between Israel and Hezbollah in northern Israel. Israel recognizes Russia's influence over Hezbollah, Syria, and Iran and believes Moscow would welcome a ceasefire. In turn, Israel seeks assurances from Russia to prevent weapons smuggling from Syria to Lebanon, aiming to curb Hezbollah's armament.

The emerging agreement includes principles requiring Hezbollah to withdraw north of the Litani River. For the first 60 days, the IDF will remain in the initial line of Lebanese villages to allow the Lebanese army to dismantle Hezbollah's infrastructure in the buffer area between the border and the Litani. After this period, the IDF would pull back to the Blue Line.

The ceasefire agreement outlines an enforcement mechanism. Israel insists on preserving military freedom if the mechanism fails, reserving the right to respond to any violations, a condition included in a side letter attached to the agreement.

Hezbollah sources told Saudi Arabia's Al-Hadath that the organization is willing to withdraw north of the Litani but rejects one term—Israel's freedom of movement in Lebanon. "Hezbollah agrees to most of the stated terms, including avoiding rearmament," the sources added.

Israeli sources emphasize the importance of sealing off weapon smuggling channels, saying, "If we don't, Hezbollah will rearm, and our efforts would be wasted." They clarified that Israel's objective isn't to destroy Hezbollah as it did with Hamas but noted, "We have achieved significant progress against Hezbollah, and it's fortunate we didn't finalize a deal before achieving these goals." According to these sources, the ceasefire will allow residents to return safely only if they genuinely feel secure, without Hezbollah snipers targeting them. "This goal is achievable through the ceasefire, while we continue to target enemy positions, as we did today in Syria."

Discussions are ongoing between Israel and the U.S. to finalize the enforcement mechanism and Israel's operational flexibility. "This doesn't mean we need to be in Lebanon, but ultimately we need the capacity to enforce and act, and I'm confident we will have it," one source said.

Israel has also highlighted the strong alignment between Prime Minister Netanyahu and President-elect Trump. They share a common vision: an end to hostilities on all fronts that culminates in a decisive victory. Meanwhile, Dermer is expected to meet with Trump and his team to address two critical issues: ensuring Iran does not achieve nuclear capabilities and advancing normalization with Saudi Arabia. Dermer will present Trump with intelligence on Iran's nuclear progress. "Trump is determined to stop Iran, initially with sanctions, but our message is that only a credible military option will sway Tehran," Israeli sources noted.

One Israeli source pointed out that Netanyahu spoke with Trump three times in recent days, adding, "We are aligned with Trump and share a unified vision."

11.11.24 – Mo

IDF destroys Hezbollah complex under South Lebanon cemetery in 'special operation'

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IDF destroys Hezbollah complex under South Lebanon cemetery in 'special operation' Compound extends nearly one kilometer in length, reaches 2 meters in height, located approximately one and a half kilometers from the border

Yoav Zitun|14:57

The IDF destroyed an underground Hezbollah terror complex near the border with Israel, the military said on Sunday. The fortification was dug under a local cemetery.

"During activity in the area, troops identified several tunnel shafts leading into the compound, which led to the exposure of the full tunnel, the IDF spokesperson said. "The forces investigated and dismantled the compound, which extended approximately one kilometer in length, reached approximately two meters in height and was located

approximately one and a half kilometers from the border, and did not extend into Israeli territory.

The spokesperson said hundreds of trucks and concrete mixers poured approximately 4,500 cubic meters of concrete into the underground compound. Earlier, Lebanese media said there were injuries in an IDF strike on a residential building in the village of Kharai'b in the south of the country. Other reports claimed one person was killed and another injured in an attack on the village of Al-Marwaniya in the south, as well as additional casualties in strikes in various regions of Lebanon.

Israel's new defense minister Israel Katz said Israel defeated Hezbollah, during a ceremony in the Defense Ministry. Soon after he spoke, sirens warned of rockets targeting the Upper Galilee region. "When the moment came [to launch an offensive on Hezbollah] we did so with full momentum, and the blows dealt will be studied in warfare and military schools, Katz said. "These are the blows that defeated Hezbollah. Now our task is to continue the pressure and realize the fruits of this victory by ensuring a change in the security situation in Lebanon, including preventing rearmament."

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Israel strike on Damascus hit Hezbollah member in charge of Golan Heights

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At least 7 dead in a strike attributed to Israel on Damascus
Strike on residential building in Damascus' Sayeda Zainab district, reportedly targets senior Hezbollah member in charge of Golan Heights; his son also killed in a drone strike on the Syria-Lebanon border in September
Reuters|11:24

At least seven people were killed and some 15 wounded in a strike attributed to Israel, on a residential building in the Sayeda Zainab district south of the Syrian capital Damascus on Sunday, the Syrian state news agency said.

The target of the attack, according to Saudi Arabian media, was Ali Moussa Dakdouk charged with Hezbollah's operation on the Golan Heights, who acted as a military adviser to the Iranian Revolutionary Guard Corps in Iraq and Yemen and is wanted for his involvement in the murder of American troops in Iraq.

His son Hassan Ali Dakdouk, a former commander in the Radwan force was killed in an attack in a drone strike on the Syria-Lebanon border area last September

Israel has ramped up strikes in Syria since the Oct. 7 attack by militant group Hamas on Israel in 2023 and particularly since the escalation of the Israel-Hezbollah conflict. Syrian and Western intelligence sources say Israeli attacks in Syria have killed scores of Hezbollah and pro-Iranian militia fighters based around the eastern outskirts of Damascus and to the south of the city.

11.11.24 – Su

D9 bulldozers lead combat teams, clearing paths; shipment stalled by US embargo

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D9 bulldozer shipment stalled by US embargo, leaving Israeli soldiers exposed
Security officials say over 100 new bulldozers ordered by Defense Ministry stuck in US
amid growing contention over use to raze homes in Gaza; Washington approves purchase
of additional APCs for IDF
Yoav Zitun|02:48

The partial U.S. arms embargo on Israel is affecting the battlefield in Gaza and Lebanon and could pose a risk to IDF soldiers. The U.S. is silently halting various arms shipments to the country but continues to support Israel in other ways, including a large-scale deal to acquire around 1,000 new APCs.

New details reveal that an extensive shipment of 134 D9 bulldozers, which Israel ordered and paid for but are awaiting export approval from the U.S. State Department in Washington, according to two security sources who spoke with Ynet on condition of anonymity.

The use of these bulldozers, primarily for flattening structures in the Gaza Strip, has led to significant internal criticism in the U.S., protests and intense pressure on U.S. President Joe Biden's administration, which has succumbed and frozen deliveries for several months.

The impact on the battlefield is already apparent in both combat theaters: Ynet's inquiry shows that many of the existing D9 bulldozers, heavily used in the IDF maneuver in Gaza for months require maintenance. Additionally, the IDF has been engaged in a new ground operation in southern Lebanon, where these bulldozers are also needed.

“At the height of the fighting in Gaza, about a year ago, battalion commanders were ‘fighting’ between them over D9 bulldozers; now they need maintenance,” say commanders leading the fighting in Gaza. The IDF struggled to directly link the deadly outcomes of the raid in Jabaliya — in which 21 soldiers were killed, many due to explosive devices — to the number of D9 bulldozers allocated for operations.

“The bulldozers in these operations often lead the brigade's combat teams, clearing ‘contaminated’ areas from explosive charges intended to detonate against infantry and armor troops. However, it's clear that these machines aren't only operationally effective against terror tunnels and in urban areas but also help save soldiers' lives.

Forces on the northern front are required to clear thousands of acres of dense thicket, which Hezbollah uses to conceal bunkers and weapons depots close to Israeli towns while preparing to invade the Galilee. The scope of the deal is estimated at several billion shekels, with the vehicles' armor intended to be manufactured in Israeli facilities.

The halt to bulldozer deliveries will likely delay another significant operation by IDF Southern Command that remains incomplete: establishing a one-kilometer-wide buffer zone between the Gaza Strip and the western Negev, on the Gazan side of the border — involving the leveling of hundreds of Palestinian buildings and agricultural lands.

A substantial portion of these buildings has already been razed to the ground, but the operation is still incomplete. The U.S. has vehemently opposed this action, mirroring its anger over the ongoing demolition of thousands of Palestinian structures in Gaza on a daily basis. “The fact there are videos of American D9 bulldozers demolishing homes in Gaza isn’t helpful, but it’s a necessity,” IDF sources said. “These homes are used by terrorists.”

In addition to using bulldozers, the IDF employs several other alternatives, some of which are more costly. These include controlled blasts using thousands of tons of various explosives and targeted airstrikes to demolish buildings, though more sparingly. This restrained approach is due to the need to manage munitions as the fighting expands and persists across seven active fronts.

Another reason lies in the fact that the U.S. is still freezing the shipment of around 1,300 munitions purchased by Israel from Boeing — paid in shekels rather than with U.S. aid funds — each weighing nearly a ton, citing similar concerns that the IDF could use them against civilian populations.

Half of this shipment, which was frozen in May ago by the Biden administration, has been released and delivered to the IDF, but the other half remains in U.S. warehouses.

Israel is also renting engineering equipment from private contractors to support field operations.

The delay in delivering the bulldozers and heavy munitions adds to the cold shoulder Israel received from Washington regarding the purchase of Apache attack helicopters earlier this year. At first, the Americans rejected Israel’s urgent requests to supply the Air Force with high-maneuverability attack helicopters.

Later, Washington also opposed diverting part of the hundreds of new helicopters ordered from Boeing for the U.S. Army to Israel, a measure sometimes customary in such cases. “Not all U.S. defense officials are completely on our side. While the administration has significantly increased aid by billions of dollars, sending tens of thousands of munitions and various armaments to the IDF, they’re still giving us a ‘penalty’ in the form of these embargoes,” defense sources explained.

“There are officials in the U.S. State Department, the White House and Joint Chiefs of Staff who aren’t quick to approve every one of our requests, in addition to the similar aid the U.S. has pledged to provide Ukraine in its war with Russia,” the sources added.

However, the IDF is encouraged by another significant purchase the Americans have approved for ground forces: a dramatic increase in the acquisition of JLTVs, or Joint Light Tactical Vehicles.

Around 300 vehicles were ordered initially, dozens of which have already arrived for the IDF, but this has now been expanded to approximately 1,000 vehicles. These fast-wheeled armored personnel carriers will replace the older M-113 APCs and will likely be deployed beyond the exclusive use of elite units.

These large JLTVs will be outfitted with 30 mm cannons and remotely operated machine guns, with the deal's cost estimated to reach about NIS 4 billion (approximately \$1.1 billion).

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Lebanon & Gaza in fear with Trump involved; PM shunned by US (JFNA) conference

11.11.24 – Su

Chances of settlement in Lebanon rising as Trump gets involved, officials say
Political officials confirm there is 'progress'; Families of Gaza hostages head to Washington amid efforts to bring about a 'small deal'; In 1st, Netanyahu not invited to Jewish Federations of North America

Itamar Eichner, Yael Ciechanover, Daniel Edelson, New York|00:02

Families of hostages in Gaza set off to Washington overnight, where they are expected to meet with senior officials regarding the promotion of a deal in the near term, before a new U.S. government takes over in January. The families are set to meet with senior White House officials, alongside a series of meetings with Republican senators.

Meanwhile, President-elect Donald Trump sent a message to the administration of outgoing President Joe Biden, calling for progress to be made toward a settlement of the violence in the north, and U.S. officials claim, according to one, that "the chances of settlement in Lebanon under (Biden envoy Amos) Hochstein's leadership - and with Trump's encouragement - are increasing." Officials also claim that there is great effort going into arranging a "small hostage deal."

Another report indicates that the Qatari announcement that it would suspend its mediation between Israel and Hamas is intended to "increase the pressure on Hamas." Qatar wants to clear the table before Trump arrives in order to correct the impression that it did not really exert pressure on Hamas, according to sources. In addition, the sources said that "the chance that the Biden administration will impose an arms embargo on Israel in the remaining time is low."

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Qatar announced Saturday night that mediation efforts between Israel and Hamas are frozen, but noted that "the reports about their permanent cessation are not accurate."

Earlier, Israel had reservations about news agency reports about the end of the mediation and claimed that "the decision is reversible."

"Qatar will renew its efforts with its partners when there is the necessary seriousness to end the war. In that case, all efforts will be made to end the war and return the hostages." Qatar's Foreign Ministry said in a statement.

A security source said that Israel "received an indication" that Qatar was about to expel the Hamas leadership.

"It seems that the Qataris are terrified of Trump. They understand that he will change the American direction toward them. They understand that they support terrorism. The Qataris are very afraid and want to look like good kids," said the source. Hamas has denied the claims, and a source close to one of the senior members of the terrorist organization told Ynet that Qatar made the move in response to "massive pressure from the US."

Is the U.S. Jewish community moving away from Netanyahu?

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu was not invited to speak at the annual conference of the Jewish Federations of North America (JFNA) for the first time since taking office.

The conference, which is being held Sunday in Washington, is one of the main events of the organized U.S. Jewish community. The move indicates the growing division around Netanyahu is also occurring among Jewish organizations in the U.S.

In addition, several left-wing Jewish organizations announced that they would boycott this year's conference on the grounds that their participation might be interpreted as an expression of support for the current government's policies in Israel. Among the organizations are the American branch of Peace Now, the Habonim Dror North America, J Street and the New Israel Fund. Instead of Netanyahu, Israel will be represented at the conference by President Isaac Herzog.

11.11.24 – Su

Israeli news crew in Amsterdam hostile chanting crowd, escorted out by police

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Israeli news crew harassed by hostile crowd in Amsterdam, escorted out by police
Public broadcaster Kan says reporter and cameraman were reporting live from Dam Square when crowd of protesters assembled, chanting anti-Israel slogans; journalists entered nearby store and requested police assistance to return to their hotel safely
Ran Boker | 16:23

Two days after the assault on Maccabi Tel Aviv fans in Amsterdam, Israeli public broadcaster Kan reported on Saturday its crew encountered dozens of anti-Israel protesters gathering around them while they were filming.

According to Kan, reporter Michal Reshef and cameraman Micha Razov were reporting live from Amsterdam's Dam Square for the Saturday edition on Kan 11 when a crowd of young protesters assembled, chanting slogans against Israel.

Kan News crew takes refuge in store after being surrounded by anti-Israel mob in Amsterdam

Kan representatives said that Reshef and Razov packed up their equipment and left the location, but the protesters tailed them. The journalists entered a nearby store and requested police assistance to return to their hotel safely. After a wait in the store, they were escorted by police back to their hotel in a patrol car. Kan News said they are in close communication with the crew and providing assistance as needed.

This incident follows a statement from Israel's National Security Council, which advised that Israelis could move freely around Amsterdam without concern.

11.09.24 – Sa

Qatar ends mediation, expels Hamas leaders, IDF set to remove Hamas from territory

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Qatar to pull out of Gaza cease-fire mediation, source says

Official says Doha suspends mediation efforts until Israel and Hamas 'demonstrate a sincere willingness to return to the negotiating table'; Israeli officials welcome Qatar's decision to expel Hamas leaders

Itamar Eichner, news agencies | Yesterday | 09:13

Qatar will stop trying to mediate a Gaza cease-fire deal until Hamas and Israel "demonstrate a sincere willingness to return to the negotiating table," an official briefed on the matter told Reuters on Saturday.

The Gulf country has also concluded that Hamas' political office in Doha "no longer serves its purpose," the official added.

The move marks the biggest setback in efforts to reach a cease-fire since Hamas triggered the Gaza war by attacking Israel on Oct. 7, 2023.

"The Qataris have said since the start of the conflict that they can only mediate when both parties demonstrate a genuine interest in finding a resolution," the official said, adding that Qatar had notified Hamas, Israel and the U.S. administration of its decision.

Israeli officials welcomed Qatar's decision to expel Hamas leaders. "Hamas is a murderous terrorist organization that should be pursued worldwide, not offered sanctuary in any country," a senior Israeli official said, adding that Qatar's expulsion of Hamas leaders logically diminishes its role as mediator. "Once they expel Hamas leaders, there is no further advantage in Qatar's mediation."

The move comes just a day after a Reuters report indicating that Qatar relayed a message to Hamas leaders at the request of the U.S. last week, warning that the presence of the organization in Doha "should no longer be welcome," according to a senior U.S. official. U.S. and Qatari officials told CNN that Doha has effectively agreed in recent weeks to the American demand to remove Hamas from its territory due to prolonged, unsuccessful efforts to secure a hostage exchange agreement with the group. This development comes 400 days into the war and after the October 7 massacre, marking a prolonged period of unsuccessful negotiations.

Earlier this week, Israeli officials expressed deep pessimism about the possibility of a hostage deal. Hamas reportedly informed mediators that it would not compromise on any agreement that fell short of a permanent cease-fire and a full Israeli withdrawal from Gaza, rejecting incremental proposals for smaller-scale exchanges.

"Truth must be told, there is no sliver of a deal. The question is whether now we must save the surviving hostages and end the war in Gaza," said officials familiar with the negotiations. "We must face facts. The big question is whether the time has come to save the remaining hostages and end the war in Gaza. That is the entire discussion behind the scenes: there will be no deal without convergence toward ending the war in Gaza." Israeli officials also believe there could be "renewed momentum" for a deal following the U.S. elections. Sources indicated that dialogue with mediators is ongoing, primarily to assess whether Hamas may shift its stance.

Meanwhile, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has set an offer of millions of dollars for each hostage released, with officials working on broadcasting the proposal across various platforms. The offer aims to incentivize those holding hostages to facilitate their release, with a reward of \$5 million per hostage and safe passage to a third country for those who agree.

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Hezbollah rocket attack around Sea of Galilee; IDF strike foothills of Mt. Hermon

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Hezbollah fire targets major cities in Israel's north

Acre, Haifa, Safed and Tiberias come under rocket attack; Hezbollah claims shot down IDF drone over southern Lebanon using surface-to-air missile

Yoav Zitun, Lior Ben Ari | 07:52

Hezbollah continued to target Israel's north on Saturday firing dozens of rockets at vast areas of the Galilee and the Haifa Bay area including Acre and Haifa and Tiberias, on the shores of the Sea of Galilee

Meanwhile, Lebanese media reported Israeli strikes on the South Lebanon city of Nabatieh and other towns and villages in the region. According to the Iran-backed terror group, at least seven people were killed in Israeli strikes on Friday.

Hezbollah claimed its forces shot down an Israeli Hermes 450 drone with a surface-to-air missile.

The IDF said its planes attacked Beirut's Dahieh quarter overnight and its forces on the ground found and destroyed Hezbollah launch pads and infrastructure near the village of Shabaa on the foothills of Mt. Hermon. The military said the launch pad was used to target Israel including a missile attack on the Druze village of Majdal Shams earlier this year where 12 children were murdered.

The Hezbollah-affiliated Al-Akhbar newspaper quoted sources claiming Israel warned UNIFIL peacekeepers to avoid travel south of the Litani River, amid Israeli strikes.

According to the report, Israel asked UNIFIL to coordinate its troop movements with the IDF and linked those requests to plans to expand the Israeli offensive.

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Spain blocks docking of 2 US ships 'suspected of carrying arms to Israel'

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IDF uncovers Hezbollah training site 650 feet from a UNIFIL base in Lebanon

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Israel confirms missing fans accounted for after Amsterdam attacks; IDF bans travel

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Ten missing after lynching of Israeli soccer fans in Amsterdam; IDF bans troop travel

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Dutch leader Wilders urges deportation of Muslim rioters; IDF sending rescue

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Maccabi Tel Aviv fans targeted in Amsterdam stabbings, car ramming after soccer match

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IDF destroyed over 100 terror hotbeds in south Lebanon & continue Hezbollah fight

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France furious over diplomat guards detained in Jerusalem during state visit

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Hezbollah operates from heritage sites in Lebanon; Israel blamed for targeting them

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Hezbollah launches continuous rocket barrages on Israel's north

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Attorney general to defend Gallant's dismissal as High Court pushes for answers

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Iran sentences 4 people to death over charges of spying for Israel

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Opposition Yair Lapid, Benny Gantz, Avigdor Liberman, Yair Golan claim PM unfit

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Israel cautious of Biden revenge through the UN after Trump won US election

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Settlers euphoric over Trump win; Smotrich plans West Bank annex & outposts in Gaza

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Hezbollah targets Tel Aviv in volley to complete 40 day grieving period

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Gallant fired over opposition to draft, hostages and accountability starting the war

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Netanyahu may consider further security leadership changes; “We are not there yet”

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IDF shift tactics with limited weapons, skills kill Hamas with fewer munitions

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Netanyahu dismisses Gallant, appoints Katz as defense minister; cabinet approved

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Israel offers \$5 million and safe passage for release of Hamas hostages

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Israel lauds new UK opposition leader as she appoints pro-Israel foreign policy chief

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Chaos or martial law: Scenarios for replacing UNRWA in Gaza

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Iranian cleric reformist call for two-state solution to Israeli-Palestinian conflict

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IDF killed two terrorists in West Bank, checkpoint found over a million in cash in car

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Knesset approves bill: Educators who support terrorism will be fired

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Hezbollah launches a Tuesday morning rocket attack on Acre, Haifa areas

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IDF says 2 female outpost soldiers attacked by armed settlers, US seeks sanctions

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Israeli Trump vote could determine the US election; Democrat Jews avoid wokeism

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Netanyahu urges justice minister to find 'solution to 'adversarial' attorney general

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Katz formally declared Israel's exit from UNRWA pact, voiding 1967 agreement

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Spokesman for Emergency Center, stayed in PM's office 3 days leaking news

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Iran plans complex attack on Israel after military losses too significant to ignore

Time changed Sunday – Back one hour

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Hezbollah mixed tactic to confuse air defenses, far less than IDF braced for

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IDF split Jabaliya from Gaza City, allowed civilians out with facial recognition

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IDF killed Hezbollah responsible for rocket, missile fire on the Upper Galilee.

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New details on abduction of Hezbollah operative in Lebanon

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Israel confirms captured senior Hezbollah operative in northern Lebanon operation

11.02.24 – Sa- - - News Placed in November 02 spot – Saturday

Israeli commandos snatch high-ranking Hezbollah naval officer, north of Beirut

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19 wounded in relentless 15 rocket barrage from Lebanon in central & northern Israel