LIVE BLOG: Zamir-Netanyahu Conflict over Gaza Occupation as Naim Qassem Declares: No Surrender – Day 671

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Israel has continued to use starvation of civilians as a weapon of war against Palestinians in Gaza. (Photo: via QNN)

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According to Channel 12, Israeli Chief of Staff Eyal Zamir warned during security consultations that a full occupation of Gaza would endanger Israeli captives.

Meanwhile, Sheikh Naim Qassem, the secretary-general of Hezbollah, delivered a forceful televised address today, warning against what he described as foreign intervention and internal collaboration that threaten Lebanon's stability.

Since October 7, 2023, Israel has killed 61,158 and injured 151,442 others, the majority of whom are women and children, according to the Palestinian Ministry of Health in Gaza.

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Israeli Airstrikes Target Shujaiya Intersection

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: Israeli airstrikes targeted the vicinity of the Shujaiya intersection east of Gaza City.

Thu, Aug 7, 1:22 AM (Palestine Time)

Two Women Killed in Drone Strike West of Khan Yunis

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: Nasser Medical Complex in Gaza reported that two women were killed in an Israeli drone strike that targeted a tent for displaced people west of Khan Yunis city in the southern Gaza Strip.

Wed, Aug 6, 11:31 PM (Palestine Time)

41 Palestinians Killed Since Dawn, Including 18 Aid Seekers

AL JAZEERA: Medical sources in Gaza hospitals reported that 41 Palestinians were killed by Israeli army fire since dawn today, including 18 people who were waiting for aid in various areas of the Gaza Strip.

Wed, Aug 6, 11:31 PM (Palestine Time)

Borrell: European Countries Refused to Act against Israel

AL JAZEERA: Former EU foreign policy chief Josep Borrell told Al Jazeera that several European countries refused to take any action against Israel despite its clear violations in the Gaza Strip.

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The Times: UK Hires US Contractors to Spy Over Gaza

THE TIMES: The Times revealed that the British army hired American contractors to carry out aerial surveillance missions over the Gaza Strip on behalf of Israel due to a shortage of British aircraft for such operations. The newspaper quoted UK defense sources saying the government is paying a private company based in Nevada to search for Israeli "hostages" held in Gaza.

Wed, Aug 6, 11:31 PM (Palestine Time)

Israeli Chief of Staff: Full Gaza Occupation Will Drag Us Into a 'Black Hole' Like Vietnam

ISRAELI MEDIA: Channel 12 reported that the upcoming military plan includes the complete occupation of Gaza City, with residents—about 900,000 people—expected to be forced to leave. Israeli Chief of Staff Herzi Halevi is expected to warn the cabinet that occupying the entire Gaza Strip will drag Israel into a "black hole similar to Vietnam."

Wed, Aug 6, 10:15 PM (Palestine Time)

Death Toll in Gaza Rises to 38 Since Dawn

AL-JAZEERA: Medical sources in Gaza hospitals reported that the number of Palestinians killed by Israeli army fire since dawn has risen to 38, including 17 aid seekers in various parts of the Gaza Strip.

Wed, Aug 6, 10:15 PM (Palestine Time)

Israeli Chief of Staff: We Will Implement What the Political Leadership Decides

ISRAELI BROADCASTING CORPORATION: Israel's Chief of Staff Eyal Samir said in closed meetings that "the army will implement whatever the political leadership decides," amid growing debate over the plan to fully occupy the Gaza Strip and warnings about its military consequences.

Wed, Aug 6, 10:15 PM (Palestine Time)

Israeli Chief of Staff Warns Netanyahu of Gaza Occupation Casualties

ISRAELI MEDIA: Channel 13 reported that Chief of Staff Eyal Zamir warned Prime Minister Netanyahu that a full-scale occupation of Gaza would result in a high number of Israeli soldier casualties.

Wed, Aug 6, 10:15 PM (Palestine Time)

Protests Outside Israeli Defense Ministry Oppose Gaza Operations

ISRAELI MEDIA: Demonstrators gathered outside the Israeli Ministry of Defense in Tel Aviv, demanding the government not carry out military operations in areas of Gaza believed to be holding Israeli captives. Protesters also expressed opposition to the planned full occupation of Gaza, warning of its impact on the captives and the worsening humanitarian situation.

Wed, Aug 6, 7:35 PM (Palestine Time)

Smotrich: Cost of War Has Reached 300 Billion Shekels

ISRAELI MEDIA: Israeli Finance Minister Bezalel Smotrich revealed that the ongoing war on the Gaza Strip, which began in October 2023, has so far cost the state 300 billion shekels.

Wed, Aug 6, 7:35 PM (Palestine Time)

Israeli Media: Gaza Occupation Plan Aims to Encourage Palestinian Exodus

ISRAELI MEDIA: Israel's Channel 12 reported that the Security Cabinet will discuss a military operation in Gaza that could last between four and five months. The plan reportedly involves deploying four to six army divisions. It targets the occupation of Gaza City and refugee camps in central Gaza. One of the objectives of the military operation, according to the report, is to push Palestinians to move southward in an effort to encourage their departure from the Gaza Strip.

Wed, Aug 6, 6:03 PM (Palestine Time)

Al-Quds Brigades Announce Destruction of Israeli Tank in Khan Younis

AL-JAZEERA: The Al-Quds Brigades announced that they destroyed an Israeli tank that had advanced into Al-Mars Street in central Khan Yunis. The group said it used a shaped-barrel explosive device to carry out the attack.

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Hamas: We Appreciate Global Movement against Aggression and Blockade

HAMAS STATEMENT: Hamas issued a statement thanking the global mobilization against the aggression, siege, and starvation in Gaza. Hamas called for increased demonstrations on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday against what it described as Zionist genocide and starvation.

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Gaza Interior Ministry: Airdropped Aid Causing Fatalities and Chaos

GAZA INTERIOR MINISTRY: The Ministry of Interior in Gaza said that Israel is using airdropped aid to engineer famine, fuel chaos, and promote lawlessness. It reported that large numbers of people have been injured or killed during stampedes triggered by falling aid packages. T

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World Food Programme: Gaza Families Going Days Without Food

WORLD FOOD PROGRAMME: The World Food Programme warned that families in Gaza are spending days without access to food. It said many parents are making agonizing choices, sacrificing their own meals and even risking their safety to feed their children. The agency added

that despite its efforts, the assistance currently being provided is a drop in the ocean compared to Gaza's overwhelming humanitarian needs.

Wed, Aug 6, 4:53 PM (Palestine Time)

REUTERS: Zamir Warned Netanyahu Against Taking Over Rest of Gaza

REUTERS: According to Israeli officials cited by Reuters, Chief of Staff Eyal Zamir strongly rejected Prime Minister Netanyahu's proposal for full occupation of the remaining areas of Gaza during a tense meeting. Zamir warned that such an operation could jeopardize the lives of the hostages still held in the Strip. He reportedly stated that the army has exhausted its operational capacity in Gaza and is pushing for a ceasefire and a prisoner exchange deal.

Wed, Aug 6, 4:53 PM (Palestine Time)

Financial Times: Army Opposes Katz's Plan to Transfer Gazans to "Humanitarian Cities"

FINANCIAL TIMES: According to a source cited by the Financial Times, the Israeli military opposes plans proposed by Defense Minister Yisrael Katz to create so-called "humanitarian cities" inside Gaza and relocate the population to these areas.

Wed, Aug 6, 4:53 PM (Palestine Time)

Germany Renews Call for Ceasefire in Gaza

GERMAN GOVERNMENT: The German government reiterated its demand for a comprehensive ceasefire in Gaza, describing the situation as critical and unacceptable.

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Aerial Footage Shows Extent of Destruction in Gaza

AL JAZEERA: Aerial footage released on Wednesday showed widespread devastation across Gaza caused by months of Israeli bombardment.

Wed, Aug 6, 2:12 PM (Palestine Time)

Zamir to Present Gaza Occupation Risks to Cabinet

ISRAELI MEDIA: According to military sources cited by Yisrael Hayom, Israeli Chief of Staff Herzi Halevi is expected to present a briefing to the cabinet on the risks of a full-scale occupation of Gaza. He is reportedly set to argue that such an operation would be misguided and would require a prolonged military campaign.

Wed, Aug 6, 2:12 PM (Palestine Time)

Gaza Health Ministry: 138 Palestinians Killed in 24 Hours

GAZA HEALTH MINISTRY: The Ministry of Health in Gaza reported 138 Palestinian deaths and 771 injuries from Israeli fire in the past 24 hours, including 87 aid seekers killed and 570 injured while waiting for humanitarian assistance. The total death toll since October 7, 2023, has reached 61,158, with 151,442 wounded.

Wed, Aug 6, 2:12 PM (Palestine Time)

WHO: Israel Blocking Medical Teams from Entering Gaza

WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION: The World Health Organization stated that Israel is obstructing the entry of international medical teams into Gaza, even as famine-related deaths and injuries surge across the Strip.

Wed, Aug 6, 2:12 PM (Palestine Time)

Al-Shifa Director: Gaza's Health System on the Brink of Collapse

AL-JAZEERA: Dr. Mohammed Abu Salmiya, director of Al-Shifa Hospital, warned that Gaza's health system is near collapse. He said hospital occupancy exceeds 300%, anesthesia supplies will run out within 48 hours, and hundreds have died in the last five days due to a lack of surgical facilities.

Wed, Aug 6, 12:25 PM (Palestine Time)

Poll Reveals Decline in Optimism Regarding Israel's Future

JERUSALEM POST: According to a poll conducted by the Israeli Democracy Institute, optimism about Israel's future has declined since June. Only 40% of Israelis say they are optimistic about national security, and just 37% express optimism regarding democracy.

Wed, Aug 6, 12:25 PM (Palestine Time)

Israeli Authorities Decide to Expel Jerusalem Mufti from Al-Aqsa Mosque

AL JAZEERA: Sources told Al Jazeera that Israeli occupation authorities have decided to expel Sheikh Mohammad Hussein, the Mufti of Jerusalem, from Al-Aqsa Mosque for a period of six months.

Wed, Aug 6, 12:25 PM (Palestine Time)

23 Killed in Gaza since Dawn

AL JAZEERA: Sources in Gaza hospitals reported that 23 Palestinians have been martyred by Israeli army fire in the Gaza Strip since dawn on Wednesday.

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26,000 Israeli Soldiers Suffering from Psychological Disorders

YEDIOTH AHRONOTH (citing Israel's Ministry of Defense Rehabilitation Department):

Approximately 80,000 injured soldiers are currently under treatment.

Of these, 26,000 are suffering from psychological disorders.

The number of injured soldiers and the rise in suicide rates pose a major challenge.

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Gaza Enters Most Severe Stage of Famine and Malnutrition

AL JAZEERA: Dr. Khalil Daqran, spokesperson for Al-Aqsa Martyrs Hospital, told Al Jazeera:

Famine in the Gaza Strip is worsening, and malnutrition-related deaths are increasing.

All children in Gaza are now at risk of malnutrition, which could lead to death.

The Gaza Strip has entered the most critical stage of famine and malnutrition.

Wed, Aug 6, 11:03 AM (Palestine Time)

Martyrs and Injured by Israeli Fire in Central and Southern Gaza

AL-JAZEERA (citing a source in the ambulance and emergency services in Gaza):

The child Habiba Ma'rouf was martyred by Israeli drone fire on Al-Nafaq Street in Gaza City, central Gaza Strip.

Five people were martyred and about 30 others wounded—mostly aid seekers—by Israeli army gunfire north of Rafah in the southern Gaza Strip.

Wed, Aug 6, 11:03 AM (Palestine Time)

Gaza Health Ministry: Famine Martyr Toll Rises to 193, Including 96 Children

GAZA HEALTH MINISTRY: Five deaths were recorded due to famine and malnutrition in the last 24 hours. The total number of famine and malnutrition-related deaths has risen to 193, including 96 children.

Wed, Aug 6, 10:58 AM (Palestine Time)

Gaza Hospitals Document Third Death Due to Malnutrition

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: A source at Al-Shifa Hospital in Gaza reported the death of another individual due to malnutrition.

Wed, Aug 6, 10:58 AM (Palestine Time)

Two Girls Die in Gaza Due to Malnutrition

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: A source at Al-Shifa Hospital in Gaza reported that two young girls died due to malnutrition, a result of the starvation policy imposed by Israel on the Gaza Strip.

Wed, Aug 6, 10:58 AM (Palestine Time)

Israeli Army Officials Criticize Gaza Occupation Plan

ISRAELI BROADCASTING AUTHORITY (citing Israeli army officials):

Expanding combat operations in Gaza would endanger the lives of the captives.

The political leadership has no clear answers regarding objectives for the occupation of Gaza.

Recent security meetings discussed the possibility of imposing military rule over Gaza and its implications.

Wed, Aug 6, 10:58 AM (Palestine Time)

Nine Killed in Gaza by Israeli Fire since Dawn

AL-JAZEERA: Sources in Gaza hospitals reported that nine Palestinians were martyred in the Strip by Israeli army fire since dawn on Wednesday.

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Katz: Israeli Army Will Follow Political Decisions

ISRAELI MEDIA: Israeli Defense Minister Yisrael Katz commented on the dispute between Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and Army Chief of Staff Herzi Halevi, saying that while the chief of staff has the right to express his opinion, the army will follow the decisions of the political leadership.

Tue, Aug 5, 11:40 PM (Palestine Time)

Israeli Airstrike Destroys UNRWA Clinic Sheltering Displaced in Gaza City

AL-JAZEERA: An Israeli airstrike destroyed a UNRWA clinic that was sheltering displaced persons in the Al-Maqousi area, west of Gaza City.

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Israeli Police Arrest Anti-War Protester in Tel Aviv

ISRAELI BROADCASTING CORPORATION: Israeli police arrested one protester in central Tel Aviv during a demonstration calling for an end to the war and the release of captives.

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Israeli Chief of Staff Warns Gaza Occupation Would Exhaust Military

ISRAELI MEDIA: According to Channel 12, Israeli Chief of Staff Eyal Zamir warned during security consultations that a full occupation of Gaza would endanger Israeli captives, exhaust both reserve and regular forces, and could last for months.

Tue, Aug 5, 11:40 PM (Palestine Time)

Israel Evacuates Embassy Staff in Athens amid Anti-Israel Protests

ISRAELI MEDIA: Israel Hayom reported that Israeli embassy staff in Athens were evacuated due to growing public protests in Greece against Israel.