

# LIVE BLOG: Hamas Responds | Ambush in Shejaiyya | Displaced Palestinians Massacred – Day 636

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Israel committed horrific massacres in Gaza. (Photo: Social media, via QNN)

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## **Staff**

An AP investigation exposes how untrained US security contractors used live fire, stun grenades, and pepper spray on hungry Palestinians at GHF-run aid centers in Gaza.

At least 101 Palestinians were killed in Israeli attacks on Gaza on Thursday, including 51 people waiting for humanitarian aid.

Since October 7, 2023, Israel has killed 57,130 and injured 135,173 others, the majority of whom are women and children, according to the Palestinian Ministry of Health in Gaza.

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## **Hamas Submits Positive Response to Mediators, Signals Readiness for Implementation Talks**

HAMAS STATEMENT: The Palestinian Resistance Movement Hamas announced it has delivered a “positive” response to the mediators and expressed readiness to immediately begin negotiations on the implementation mechanism of the proposed ceasefire. The movement confirmed it had concluded internal consultations and discussions with other Palestinian groups.

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## **Israeli Official: Delegation Expected to Depart for Doha for Negotiations**

ISRAELI MEDIA: Channel 12 quoted an Israeli official saying a delegation is expected to leave for Doha soon to engage in negotiations over the ceasefire terms.

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## **Israeli Official: Negotiations in Doha May Take Just One and a Half Days**

ISRAELI MEDIA: The same source indicated that, once Hamas' response is confirmed, the indirect negotiations could begin promptly and may last "no more than a day and a half."

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## **Israeli Army: Palestinian Fighters Becoming More Bold, Better Coordinated**

ISRAELI MEDIA: Israeli military sources told *Kan* that resistance fighters in Gaza are showing increased boldness in engaging Israeli troops and appear to have accurately identified IDF positions and are acting accordingly.

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## **Netanyahu Demands Civilian Control Plan, Army Refuses**

ISRAELI MEDIA: According to Channel 12, Netanyahu asked for a plan to evacuate Gaza's civilian population before returning from Washington. Army officials, including the chief of staff, opposed the move and warned of a loss of control. Ministers Ben Gvir and Smotrich accused the army of disobeying political directives.

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## **Gaza Cemeteries Overflowing, Burial Costs Soar to \$300**

AL-JAZEERA: Gaza's cemeteries are overwhelmed, and burial costs have doubled, reaching \$300 per grave. The Ministry of Awqaf says over 40 cemeteries have been destroyed or made inaccessible due to the war.

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## **51 Palestinians Killed in Israeli Strikes since Dawn**

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: At least 51 Palestinians were killed in Israeli airstrikes on Gaza Friday, including six people waiting for humanitarian aid. Al-Awda Hospital reported that two victims were shot near the Netzarim checkpoint aid center.

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## **Gaza Civil Defense: Families Still Trapped Under Rubble**

AL-JAZEERA: The spokesperson for Gaza's Civil Defense told Al-Jazeera that some families remain trapped under collapsed buildings across various areas of the Strip. He stated that Israeli forces are preventing rescue teams from reaching the victims and urged all parties to press for a humanitarian ceasefire.

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## **Israeli Cabinet to Discuss Gaza and Prisoner Deal Tomorrow**

ISRAELI MEDIA: According to Israeli daily Yedioth Ahronoth, the Israeli security cabinet is set to meet Saturday to discuss the Gaza file and the prisoner deal. A source said Netanyahu and US President Donald Trump are expected to jointly announce an agreement on Monday. However, Netanyahu reportedly reaffirmed during a previous cabinet meeting that he will not abandon the goal of "eliminating Hamas," though both the army chief and Shin Bet support a partial deal.

Fri, Jul 4, 8:00 PM (Palestine Time)

### **45 Killed in Israeli Attacks on Gaza since Dawn**

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: Medical sources in Gaza reported that 45 Palestinians have been killed in Israeli airstrikes since dawn Friday, including six civilians waiting for humanitarian aid. A child was also reported shot dead near an aid distribution center in central Gaza, according to Al-Awda Hospital.

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### **Tensions Erupt Between Netanyahu and Army Chief Over Gaza Operations**

ISRAELI MEDIA: Channel 13 reported a shouting match during a security meeting between Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and Army Chief Herzi Halevi. Intelligence Chief Eyal Zamir reportedly told Netanyahu the military cannot control two million Palestinians in Gaza if the war continues.

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### **Palestinian Resistance Groups Shell Israeli Forces in Northern Gaza**

AL-JAZEERA: Al-Nasser Brigades and Omar Al-Qassem Forces claimed they targeted Israeli military positions in northern Gaza with mortar shells as part of ongoing resistance operations.

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### **Israeli Artillery Targets North of Al-Nuseirat Camp**

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: Palestinian media reported that Israeli artillery shelled areas north of Al-Nuseirat refugee camp in central Gaza amid continuing bombardment.

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### **Al-Jazeera Airs Footage of Deadly Ambush in Al-Sheja'iyya**

AL-QUDS BRIGADES: Al-Jazeera broadcasted footage of an ambush carried out by Islamic Jihad's military wing, the Al-Quds Brigades, in the Al-Sheja'iyya neighborhood. A commander said the group ambushed about 40 Israeli soldiers and officers, inflicting casualties and destroying equipment. He accused the Israeli army of covering up the full scale of its losses.

<https://twitter.com/PalestineChron/status/1941179310544433204>

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### **'US Mercenaries' Killed 510 Starving Palestinians in Gaza – Former EU Chief**

Former EU foreign policy chief Josep Borrell has slammed "US mercenaries" for the killing of hundreds of starving Palestinians in Gaza, accusing the EU of being "unwilling" to take any action against "these crimes."

"In 1 month 550 starving Palestinians have been killed by US mercenaries while trying to get food at the points indicated by the so called Gaza Humanitarian Foundation," Borrell stated on X on Thursday.

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## **Israeli Defense Minister: 'A Difficult Day' in Gaza**

ISRAELI MEDIA: Israeli Defense Minister Israel Katz acknowledged that today was a “difficult day,” naming two soldiers—Ya’ir Eliyahu and Asaf Zamir—killed during operations in Gaza.

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## **Israeli Army Confirms Soldier Killed in Gaza, Two Critically Wounded**

ISRAELI ARMY: The Israeli military confirmed the death of a soldier in Khan Yunis and said two others were seriously injured during clashes in southern Gaza.

KAN reported that one Israeli soldier was killed and four others injured, including two critically, during a Palestinian attack in Khan Yunis. A tank was targeted, followed by an assault on the rescue unit.

Fri, Jul 4, 5:43 PM (Palestine Time)

## **WHO: Average of 90 Killed Daily in Gaza, Hospitals Near Collapse**

WHO: The World Health Organization’s regional director said an average of 90 Palestinians are killed and over 200 injured daily in Gaza. Fuel shortages have paralyzed key hospitals, including Al-Shifa and Nasser, and doctors are forced to delay treatment for chronic conditions to handle emergency cases.

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## **Al-Qassam Brigades: Tank, Command Site Hit in Al-Tuffah**

AL-QASSAM BRIGADES: Hamas’ military wing, the Al-Qassam Brigades, said it targeted an Israeli Merkava tank and a command-and-control site east of the Al-Tuffah neighborhood in Gaza City using mortar shells.

Fri, Jul 4, 4:07 PM (Palestine Time)

## **41 Palestinians Killed since Dawn in Israeli Strikes on Gaza**

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: Hospital sources in Gaza reported that 41 Palestinians were killed in Israeli airstrikes across the Strip on Friday.

Fri, Jul 4, 4:07 PM (Palestine Time)

## **2 Killed, Others Wounded in Israeli Drone Strike on Al-Nuseirat Camp**

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: Two Palestinians were killed and several injured by an Israeli drone strike west of Al-Nuseirat refugee camp in central Gaza.

Fri, Jul 4, 4:07 PM (Palestine Time)

## **Swiss Bank Refuses to Open Account for US-Israeli-Backed Aid Group**

REUTERS: Swiss bank UBS declined a request by the US- and Israeli-backed “Gaza Humanitarian Foundation” to open an account, according to Reuters.

Fri, Jul 4, 4:07 PM (Palestine Time)

## **Two More Israeli Soldiers Killed in Gaza**

ISRAELI MEDIA: Israeli media reported the deaths of two more soldiers in separate incidents inside Gaza.

Fri, Jul 4, 4:07 PM (Palestine Time)

## **Body of Israeli Soldier Retrieved After Armored Vehicle Hit in Khan Yunis**

ISRAELI MEDIA: The body of an Israeli soldier was retrieved five hours after a military vehicle was hit by anti-tank fire in Khan Yunis.

Fri, Jul 4, 4:07 PM (Palestine Time)

## **Saudi FM Calls for Permanent Gaza Ceasefire**

SAUDI FOREIGN MINISTRY: Saudi Arabia's Foreign Minister called for an immediate and sustainable ceasefire in Gaza as a prelude to establishing a Palestinian state.

Fri, Jul 4, 4:07 PM (Palestine Time)

## **Israeli Censorship Blocks Details of "Severe" Gaza Incident**

ISRAELI MEDIA: Israeli media said military censorship is preventing publication of details about a "severe" incident in Gaza that lasted five hours.

Fri, Jul 4, 4:07 PM (Palestine Time)

## **WHO: 300+ in Gaza Need Urgent Medical Evacuation**

WHO: The World Health Organization says over 300 Gazans require immediate medical evacuation abroad.

Fri, Jul 4, 12:52 PM (Palestine Time)

## **Gaza Municipality Warns of Collapse amid Fuel, Water Crisis**

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: The Gaza Municipality confirmed on Friday that the escalating displacement crisis and severe shortage of resources are worsening the city's already dire humanitarian situation.

The statement comes amid mounting international criticism of "death traps" for starving Palestinians awaiting aid.

Fri, Jul 4, 12:38 PM (Palestine Time)

## **Hamas Reviews Mediators' Offer amid Reports of Imminent Gaza Ceasefire**

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: Hamas is holding talks with Palestinian groups over a Qatari-Egyptian proposal, as Israeli and US officials signal a possible Gaza ceasefire announcement next week.

Fri, Jul 4, 12:37 PM (Palestine Time)

## **Security Incidents Reported across Gaza Strip**

ISRAELI MEDIA: Israeli media reported multiple security incidents in Gaza on Friday, including two in Khan Yunis and Beit Hanoun, and a third still under investigation.

Fri, Jul 4, 12:37 PM (Palestine Time)

## **27 Palestinians Killed since Dawn, Including Aid Seekers**

PALESTINIAN MEDIA (citing hospital sources): At least 27 Palestinians have been killed in Israeli attacks across Gaza since dawn, five of them while waiting for humanitarian aid.

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## **Five Palestinians Killed Near Rafah Aid Center**

PALESTINIAN MEDIA (citing hospital sources): Five Palestinians Killed Near Rafah Aid Center

Fri, Jul 4, 12:36 PM (Palestine Time)

## **UNRWA: Gaza Faces Worsening Hunger, Dehumanizing Aid Process**

UNRWA: UNRWA warned that Gaza residents are running out of time, food, medicine, and safe spaces. The agency criticized the current aid distribution model for stripping dignity from already traumatized families.

Fri, Jul 4, 12:36 PM (Palestine Time)

## **WHO Urges Protection of Gaza's Hospitals amid Fuel Shortages**

WHO: The World Health Organization stated that several hospital operations are suspended due to fuel shortages and called for urgent protection of Gaza's main and field hospitals.

Fri, Jul 4, 12:15 PM (Palestine Time)

## **Israeli Soldier Killed in Northern Gaza, 'Security Incident' in Khan Yunis**

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: Heavy fighting erupted early Friday in northern Khan Yunis, southern Gaza, during what Israeli media described as a "security incident" involving intense confrontations with Palestinian resistance forces.

Fri, Jul 4, 11:52 AM (Palestine Time)

## **72 Israeli Soldiers Killed in Operational Accidents in Gaza**

ISRAELI ARMY RADIO: Since the start of the ground offensive in Gaza, 72 Israeli soldiers have died in operational incidents, including 31 killed by friendly fire and 7 run over by armored military vehicles.

Fri, Jul 4, 11:52 AM (Palestine Time)

## **Israeli Soldier Killed in Northern Gaza in Vehicle Collision**

ISRAELI MEDIA: One Israeli soldier was killed Friday in an operational accident allegedly involving two engineering vehicles in northern Gaza.

Fri, Jul 4, 11:52 AM (Palestine Time)

## **Two Palestinians Killed near Rafah Aid Center**

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: The Nasser Medical Complex reported that two Palestinians were killed by Israeli fire near an aid distribution center north of Rafah, southern Gaza.

Fri, Jul 4, 11:52 AM (Palestine Time)

## **Israeli Warplanes Launch 'Fire Belt' over Gaza City**

AL-JAZEERA: On Friday morning, Israeli fighter jets launched a “fire belt” bombardment targeting the Al-Tuffah neighborhood in eastern Gaza City.

Fri, Jul 4, 11:52 AM (Palestine Time)

## **Poll: 25% of Israelis Support Continuing Netanyahu's Trial**

MAARIV: A new poll shows 25% of Israelis support allowing Netanyahu’s corruption trial to proceed. Meanwhile, 23% favor a plea deal or political retirement in exchange for dropping charges.

Fri, Jul 4, 11:52 AM (Palestine Time)

## **Netanyahu still Committed to Annexing West Bank**

ISRAELI MEDIA: Channel 14 cited sources close to Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu as saying that he remains firmly committed to his plan to impose Israeli sovereignty over the occupied West Bank.

Fri, Jul 4, 11:52 AM (Palestine Time)

## **New Helicopter Landings in Khan Yunis for Wounded Evacuation**

AL-JAZEERA: Israeli helicopters landed again Friday morning in northern Khan Yunis to evacuate wounded soldiers following intense clashes with Palestinian fighters.

Fri, Jul 4, 11:52 AM (Palestine Time)

## **Israeli Army Raids Town South of Bethlehem**

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: Israeli forces raided the town of Al-Khader near Bethlehem, specifically the Um Rukba area. Two homes were searched; no arrests were reported.

Fri, Jul 4, 9:33 AM (Palestine Time)

## **Essential Services Collapse as Fuel Runs Out in Gaza**

GAZA MUNICIPALITY: On Friday, Gaza Municipality announced drastic reductions in essential services due to severe fuel shortages and a lack of operational resources.

Fri, Jul 4, 9:33 AM (Palestine Time)

## **Israeli Helicopters Continue Gunfire Over Khan Yunis**

AL-JAZEERA: Israeli military helicopters are continuing to fire on areas in northern and eastern Khan Younis on Friday morning, following reports of a security incident that led to helicopter landings in the area.

Fri, Jul 4, 8:34 AM (Palestine Time)

## **Security Incident in Khan Yunis Triggers Israeli Helicopter Landing**

AL-JAZEERA: A major security incident occurred early Friday in northern Khan Yunis, according to sources. Intense clashes are ongoing in the area, and Israeli aircraft have begun bombing the site where the event took place.

Fri, Jul 4, 8:34 AM (Palestine Time)



## **Trump: Hamas Response to Ceasefire Proposal Expected within 24 Hours**

AL-JAZEERA: US President Donald Trump said Hamas is expected to clarify its position on the proposed ceasefire agreement within the next 24 hours.

Fri, Jul 4, 8:34 AM (Palestine Time)

## **Guterres 'Shocked and Deeply Distressed' by Worsening Gaza Crisis**

UNITED NATIONS: UN Secretary-General António Guterres expressed strong dismay over the humanitarian situation in Gaza, warning that "the last lifelines for survival are about to be severed."

He called for urgent protection of civilians and emphasized that many Palestinians have been killed or wounded in recent Israeli strikes on displaced shelters and food distribution points.

Fri, Jul 4, 8:34 AM (Palestine Time)

## **Borrell: US Mercenaries Killed 550 Starving Palestinians in One Month**

SOCIAL MEDIA: Former EU foreign policy chief Josep Borrell accused American mercenaries of killing 550 Palestinians over a one-month period in Gaza.

Borrell posted that the killings occurred as Palestinians attempted to access food at distribution points run by the US- and Israel-backed Gaza Humanitarian Foundation.

He condemned the Council of Europe and the European Commission for their silence, tagging both in his post.

<https://twitter.com/JosepBorrellF/status/1940801555529454052>

Fri, Jul 4, 4:12 AM (Palestine Time)

## **Israeli Forces Surround Home in Jenin, Demand Surrender**

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: Palestinian local sources report that Israeli occupation forces are currently surrounding a home in Jenin city, northern occupied West Bank, and are demanding that a young man surrender himself.

Fri, Jul 4, 3:37 AM (Palestine Time)

## **Israeli Shelling Targets Displaced Persons' Tents in Rafah, Homes Demolished in Khan Yunis**

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: Al-Aqsa Satellite Channel reports that Israeli artillery shelling is targeting tents of displaced persons in Al-Mawasi, Rafah, in the southern Gaza Strip. The channel added that occupation forces are demolishing residential homes north of Khan Yunis city.

Fri, Jul 4, 3:09 AM (Palestine Time)

## **15 Killed in Israeli Strike on Displaced Persons' Tents in Khan Yunis**

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: Sources at Nasser Medical Complex report that 15 people have been killed and others injured following an Israeli strike targeting tents sheltering displaced persons in Al-Mawasi, Khan Yunis city, southern Gaza Strip.

Fri, Jul 4, 3:07 AM (Palestine Time)

## **Seven Killed, Several Injured in Israeli Strike on Displaced Persons' Tent in Khan Yunis**

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: Seven Palestinians were killed and several others injured, some critically, in an Israeli strike on a tent sheltering displaced persons near the Al-Omda Rest Area on the Khan Yunis beach in the southern Gaza Strip.

Fri, Jul 4, 1:27 AM (Palestine Time)

## **Israeli Airstrikes Intensify Across Northern and Southern Gaza**

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: Israeli warplanes have significantly escalated their bombing of wide areas across northern and southern Gaza Strip in the past hour. Palestinian media outlets have reported the most notable of these recent strikes:

An Israeli aircraft bombed a tent near the British Hospital in Al-Mawasi, Khan Yunis.

An Israeli quadcopter drone fired shots in eastern Gaza City.

Israeli airstrikes hit eastern Gaza City.

Israeli airstrikes targeted eastern Jabaliya, northern Gaza Strip.

Fri, Jul 4, 1:22 AM (Palestine Time)

## **Hamas Consulting Factions on Ceasefire Proposal**

STATEMENT: Hamas announced that it is currently consulting with leaders of Palestinian factions and forces regarding the proposal it received from mediators.

The movement emphasized its commitment to ending the Israeli aggression against the Palestinian people and ensuring the free entry of aid.

Hamas stated it will deliver its final decision to the mediators after consultations conclude and will make an official announcement.

Fri, Jul 4, 12:37 AM (Palestine Time)

## **Israeli Army Blows Up Homes in Gaza City Neighborhoods**

AL-AQSA TV: Israeli forces have begun demolishing residential homes in the Al-Shujaiya and Al-Zaytoun neighborhoods east of Gaza City, according to local media.

Fri, Jul 4, 12:37 AM (Palestine Time)

## **5 Killed in New Israeli Massacre at Khan Yunis Displacement Camp**

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: Five Palestinians were killed and others injured in an Israeli airstrike on tents sheltering displaced people near the Tiba Towers in western Khan Yunis. Simultaneously, Israeli tanks are shelling northern neighborhoods of the city.

Fri, Jul 4, 12:37 AM (Palestine Time)

## **Israeli Cabinet Discusses Gaza War Scenarios**

ISRAELI MEDIA: The Israeli security cabinet is debating several future scenarios for the Gaza war, including continuation, a regional ceasefire deal, or a partial temporary agreement.

Fri, Jul 4, 12:00 AM (Palestine Time)

### **Israeli Drone Strike Kills 3 in Displacement Tent in Central Gaza**

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: Three Palestinians were killed after an Israeli drone targeted a tent sheltering displaced people in Al-Bureij refugee camp, central Gaza.

Fri, Jul 4, 12:00 AM (Palestine Time)

### **Al-Qassam Brigades Shell Israeli Troops North of Khan Yunis**

AL-QASSAM BRIGADES: Hamas' military wing announced that it targeted Israeli troop concentrations in Al-Satra area north of Khan Younis using mortar shells.

Fri, Jul 4, 12:00 AM (Palestine Time)

### **US CENTCOM Commander Meets Israeli Military to Discuss Coordination**

US CENTCOM: General Michael Kurilla met with Israeli Chief of Staff Herzi Halevi to discuss improving operational coordination between US and Israeli forces.

Fri, Jul 4, 12:00 AM (Palestine Time)

### **Death Toll in Gaza Rises to 101 Since Dawn, 51 Killed Waiting for Aid**

GAZA HEALTH MINISTRY: At least 101 Palestinians were killed in Israeli attacks on Gaza since this morning, including 51 people waiting for humanitarian aid.

Thu, Jul 3, 10:37 PM (Palestine Time)

### **Palestinian Killed by Israeli Forces Near Nur Shams Camp**

AL-JAZEERA: A Palestinian was shot dead by Israeli forces near Nur Shams refugee camp in the northern West Bank, amid ongoing military operations targeting northern camps.

Thu, Jul 3, 10:37 PM (Palestine Time)

### **Civil Defense: Israel Blocking Rescue Operations in Gaza**

GAZA CIVIL DEFENSE: Gaza's Civil Defense reported that Israeli forces are preventing crews from reaching collapsed homes in eastern Gaza, where dozens remain trapped beneath the rubble, some still alive and calling for help. Over 200 buildings were destroyed in recent strikes on Al-Zaytoun, Al-Shujaiya, and Al-Tuffah neighborhoods.

Thu, Jul 3, 9:45 PM (Palestine Time)

### **Trump Meets Freed American-Israeli Captive Edan Alexander**

WHITE HOUSE: US President Donald Trump received Edan Alexander, the American-Israeli captive released by Hamas in May, as part of a deal tied to ceasefire efforts and humanitarian aid delivery.

Thu, Jul 3, 9:45 PM (Palestine Time)

### **92 Killed in Gaza Since Dawn, Including 42 Waiting for Aid**

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: At least 92 Palestinians were killed in Israeli airstrikes across Gaza since dawn Thursday, including 42 civilians waiting at aid distribution points.

