

LIVE BLOG: Gaza Hospital under Israeli Attack as 11 Countries Recognize Palestine – Day 719

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Israel continued to carry out massacres in Gaza. (Photo: via QNN)

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France and ten other countries formally recognized Palestine at a UN summit in New York, amid Israel's ongoing genocide in Gaza.

Meanwhile, as the death toll rises, the Gaza Health Ministry announced on Monday that Israeli bombardment around medical facilities has forced the shutdown of Al-Rantisi Children's Hospital and Gaza City's Eye Hospital, the only public eye-care center in the besieged enclave.

Since October 7, 2023, Israel has killed 65,382 and injured 166,985 others, the majority of whom are women and children, according to the Palestinian Ministry of Health in Gaza.

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Most Germans View Israel's Actions in Gaza a Genocide – Poll

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: Germany found itself internationally isolated this week as its close allies France, the UK, and several other European partners, including Belgium, Portugal and Malta, announced their recognition of Palestinian statehood.

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Spain Reaffirms Full Diplomatic Protection for Gaza Flotilla Participants

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: Spain's Foreign Minister Jose Manuel Albares has reaffirmed Madrid's full diplomatic and consular protection for participants in the Global Sumud Flotilla, rejecting threats issued by the Israeli government.

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Germany's Schengen Ban on Pro-Palestine Lawyer Sparks Outcry from IADL

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: The International Association of Democratic Lawyers has denounced the detention and deportation of its Deputy Secretary-General Charlotte Kates in Athens, accusing Germany and Greece of weaponizing Schengen bans to silence pro-Palestinian advocacy.

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Norway: We Are Witnessing Atrocities in Palestine

UN: Norway's Prime Minister said atrocities are being committed in Palestine, expressing concern about Israel's expanded military campaign in Gaza. He reaffirmed that the two-state solution is the only reliable basis for peace in the Middle East, adding that the goal remains peace, security, and dignity for both Palestinians and Israelis. He also urged mobilizing funds to support reforms within the Palestinian Authority.

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Russia: US Vetoed Gaza Ceasefire Seven Times

UN: Russia's envoy to the UN said recognition of the Palestinian state is a historical right, not a concession, and that justice must be delivered to the Palestinian people. He noted that Washington has used its veto seven times to block ceasefire resolutions on Gaza. He added that Israel's strike on Doha showed it is not seeking diplomacy and described Israel's actions in Gaza as unacceptable and unsustainable.

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'History will Judge Us': World Leaders Raise Concern at UN Summit on Palestine

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: World leaders gathered at the United Nations in New York on Monday as more countries moved to recognize Palestinian statehood at a special summit on the two-state solution, while Israel continued its genocidal assault on the Gaza Strip.

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The Poisonous Chalice of Recognition: A Double-Edged Sword for Palestine

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: Historian Ilan Pappé, in an exclusive commentary for the Palestine Chronicle, argues that "while we should not regard it as a 'historical moment' or a 'game changer,' the recognition does have the potential to help Palestinians lead us into a different future."

<https://www.palestinechronicle.com/the-poisonous-chalice-of-recognition-a-double-edged-sword-for-palestine/>

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Royal Decree to Cut Ties with Israeli Arms Industry

AL-JAZEERA: Spanish government sources confirmed a royal decree has been issued to cut ties with Israel's arms industry. The decree imposes strict controls on arms exports to Israel and criminalizes the passage of Israeli arms shipments through Spanish ports.

Tue, Sep 23, 7:02 PM (Palestine Time)

Erdogan: Gaza among Darkest Moments of Humanity

ERDOGAN: Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan told the UN General Assembly that what is happening in Gaza is a genocide ongoing for more than 700 days, killing over 20,000 children and starving civilians. He said “children’s limbs are amputated without anesthesia” and described Israel’s assault as among the darkest moments of humanity.

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US State Department: Support for Israel Does Not Mean Endorsement of Gaza War

AL-JAZEERA: US State Department spokesman Michael Mitchell told Al Jazeera that Washington’s and Tel Aviv’s conditions for ending the Gaza war have not changed. “We support Israel but that does not mean we agree with everything happening in Gaza,” he said, adding that civilians pay the price for Hamas’ refusal to surrender.

He claimed the US never sought a ground invasion of Gaza City, wants the war to end quickly, and will focus on peace after the war. He rejected recognition of a Palestinian state during the conflict, claiming the US is not isolated but playing a leading role in efforts to end the war.

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Hamas: Armed Resistance a National Right until Occupation Ends

HAMAS: Hamas welcomed the New York conference’s call to turn words into action obligating Israel to cease fire, withdraw, and agree to prisoner exchanges. The group reiterated that resistance is a national right guaranteed by law until the occupation ends and a sovereign Palestinian state with Jerusalem as its capital is established.

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UN: Israeli Leaders Committed Genocide in Gaza

UNITED NATIONS: An independent UN commission of inquiry accused Israel’s president, prime minister, and former defense minister of inciting genocide in Gaza. The report said Israel systematically destroyed civilian infrastructure, deliberately deprived Palestinians of essential resources, and created conditions intended to destroy them in whole or in part, amounting to genocide.

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Young Palestinian Shot by Settlers in Al-Mughayir

AL-JAZEERA: Palestinian sources reported that a young man was injured by live fire from Israeli settlers in the village of al-Mughayir, northeast of Ramallah.

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‘Greater Israel’ and the Insidious Plot behind Western Recognition of Palestine

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: France and Saudi Arabia’s UN initiative, framed as recognition of Palestine, is a Western-backed plan to enforce Palestinian disarmament and entrench the Greater Israel project.

Read [the latest analysis by Robert Inlakesh](#).

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US President Trump: Seeking Ceasefire in Gaza

US MEDIA: US President Donald Trump told the UN General Assembly he is working to achieve a ceasefire in Gaza, accusing Hamas of repeatedly rejecting offers. He said Hamas must release hostages immediately and stressed the war must end through negotiations to return all remaining captives at once. Trump claimed most hostages have already been released under his leadership.

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US Secretary of State: Trump Only Leader Capable of Ending Gaza War

US STATE DEPARTMENT: Secretary of State Marco Rubio told CBS that allied countries' recognition of a Palestinian state "has no value." He said there is now a rare opportunity to end the Gaza war, adding that "Trump is the only leader capable of achieving this." Rubio noted Washington will hold a key meeting with Islamic countries, including Gulf states, to discuss a mechanism for safe delivery of aid to Gaza "without rewarding Hamas."

Tue, Sep 23, 5:59 PM (Palestine Time)

Israel Struck 12 UNRWA Sites Sheltering Over 11,000 Palestinians – Report

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: Israel has attacked 12 UNRWA premises in the Gaza Strip, including nine schools and two health centers sheltering over 11,000 Palestinians, in either direct or indirect strikes between September 11 and 16, the UN agency confirmed on Monday. At least five Palestinians, all forcibly displaced, were injured in those attacks.

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Guterres: Scale of Death and Destruction in Gaza Surpasses Any Other Conflict

UNITED NATIONS: Secretary-General António Guterres told the General Assembly that the horrors in Gaza are nearing their third year, with the scale of death and destruction exceeding any other conflict. He stressed that famine has been declared in Gaza despite ICJ provisional measures and urged their immediate implementation, calling the two-state solution the only viable path to peace.

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Palestinian Resistance Executes Israeli Collaborators in Gaza

AL-JAZEERA: Palestinian resistance in Gaza executed three collaborators with Israel and left warnings urging others to surrender. One message read: "To every mercenary of the occupation, the time has come to cut off your heads."

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US Secretary of State: No Such Thing as a Palestinian State

FOX NEWS: US Secretary of State Marco Rubio told Fox News that countries recognizing a Palestinian state are doing so due to internal political pressure, insisting "there is no such state."

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26 Killed by Israeli Fire Since Dawn

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: Medical sources reported that 26 Palestinians have been killed by Israeli fire since dawn, including 18 in Gaza City.

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Netanyahu Orders Closure of Jordan Border Crossing

ISRAELI ARMY RADIO: Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu ordered the closure of the King Hussein Bridge (Allenby Crossing) with Jordan until further notice, worsening an already severe travel crisis in recent days.

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Resistance Targeted Israeli Tank in Gaza

AL-QASSAM BRIGADES: Fighters of the Izz al-Din al-Qassam Brigades said they targeted an Israeli Merkava tank in Tel al-Hawa with two Yassin-105 shells.

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‘A March of Humanity’: Italy Rediscovered Its Collective Voice for Palestine

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: Hundreds of thousands marched across Italy on September 22, blocking highways and ports in one of the country’s largest mobilizations in decades, signaling the return of a collective voice against war and arms trade with Israel.

Tue, Sep 23, 2:12 PM (Palestine Time)

Gaza Death Toll Rises

GAZA HEALTH MINISTRY: The Ministry of Health in Gaza announced that 38 Palestinians were killed and 190 wounded in the past 24 hours, bringing the total death toll since October 7, 2023, to 65,382, with 166,985 injured.

Tue, Sep 23, 2:12 PM (Palestine Time)

Nearly 900,000 Palestinians Trapped in Gaza City amid Escalating Assault

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: Israeli forces unleashed intense bombardment on Gaza City and Khan Yunis on Tuesday, killing at least 22 Palestinians, including children, as nearly 900,000 remain trapped under siege.

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Austria Calls on Israel to Open Humanitarian Corridor for Gaza

AL-JAZEERA: Foreign Minister Beate Meinl-Reisinger said the humanitarian situation in Gaza is catastrophic and stressed that Israel must open a humanitarian corridor to allow the entry of medical supplies.

Tue, Sep 23, 1:16 PM (Palestine Time)

Israeli Army Besieges Home in Al-Bireh

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: Local sources said Israeli occupation forces besieged a house in the Umm al-Sharayet neighborhood of Al-Bireh, central West Bank.

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Three Children Die from Malnutrition in Gaza

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: Nasser Medical Complex reported the deaths of three children in southern Gaza due to malnutrition and lack of treatment, as famine conditions deepen.

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Gaza Health Ministry Warns of Catastrophe Due to Fuel Shortage

GAZA HEALTH MINISTRY: The ministry warned that hospitals in Gaza may shut down within days due to lack of fuel. Efforts to ration operations are no longer viable, and officials called for urgent fuel supplies to avert an imminent catastrophe.

Tue, Sep 23, 10:06 AM (Palestine Time)

Resistance Operations Kill Israeli Officer, Wound Others in Gaza

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: An Israeli officer was killed and two others wounded in Gaza amid mounting resistance operations, as casualty figures continue to raise questions under military censorship.

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Police Disperse Protesters Outside Israeli Education Minister's Home

HAARETZ: Israeli police violently dispersed dozens of demonstrators gathered outside the home of Education Minister.

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17 Palestinians Killed since Dawn in Gaza

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: Medical sources in Gaza confirmed that 17 Palestinians have been killed by Israeli occupation forces since dawn today, including 15 in Gaza City. Emergency crews continue rescue efforts under heavy fire.

Tue, Sep 23, 9:55 AM (Palestine Time)

Settlers Storm Al-Buraq Wall on Jewish New Year

AL-JAZEERA: Hundreds of Israeli settlers stormed the Al-Buraq Wall adjacent to Al-Aqsa Mosque, performing Talmudic rituals as they marked the Jewish New Year.

Tue, Sep 23, 9:55 AM (Palestine Time)

UNRWA: 12 of Our Facilities Hit in Gaza Strikes

UNRWA: Between September 11–16, twelve UNRWA facilities in Gaza City came under Israeli airstrikes, including nine schools and two health centers. These facilities had been sheltering over 11,000 Palestinians.

Tue, Sep 23, 7:36 AM (Palestine Time)

News Roundup: Israeli Officer Killed in Gaza Amidst Ongoing Attacks and International Medical Demands

Israeli Military Deaths:

The Israeli army announced the death of an officer with the rank of major in fighting in northern Gaza.

Israel's Channel 12 reported that this brings the total number of Israeli officers and soldiers killed since the start of the conflict to 911.

According to the Israeli public broadcaster Kan, this major is the first Israeli soldier to be killed in Gaza City since the military operation to occupy the city began two weeks ago.

Intense Bombardment:

Neighborhoods in Gaza City are still experiencing intense bombing and massive explosions from armored vehicles.

Palestinian sources also reported that Israeli forces carried out the demolition of residential buildings on Al-Nafaq Street in Gaza City early Tuesday morning.

Civilian Presence:

Despite the intense bombardment, approximately 900,000 Palestinians remain in Gaza City and have refused to leave.

European Demand:

In a joint statement, the foreign ministers of several European countries, including Finland, called on Israel to reopen the medical corridor to the West Bank and Jerusalem to resume the evacuation of patients from Gaza.

Lifting Restrictions:

The statement emphasized the urgent need to expand medical treatment for Gaza's patients due to the escalating humanitarian crisis.

The countries, which include 25 nations in the joint declaration, also called on Israel to lift all restrictions on the supply of medicine and medical equipment to Gaza in accordance with international law.

Continued Voyage:

The "Global Flotilla of Resilience" continues its voyage toward the Gaza Strip in an attempt to break the blockade and deliver aid to the starving population.

Tue, Sep 23, 5:13 AM (Palestine Time)

Israeli Strikes in Gaza, as Two-State Solution Conference Concludes

Airstrike on Old City:

An Israeli airstrike on a residential building in the Old City of Gaza killed two Palestinians and wounded others early Tuesday.

Continuous Bombardment:

Israeli warplanes launched new aerial raids on Gaza City, with continuous artillery shelling reported in the northern parts of the city.

"New York Declaration" Adopted:

The joint statement from the presidency of the Two-State Solution conference called for the rapid implementation of the “New York Declaration.” The declaration, which received “exceptional support” from the UN General Assembly, is presented as a principled and realistic alternative to the cycle of violence.

Key Priorities: The statement highlighted several priorities, including:

Ending the war in Gaza and ensuring the release of all detainees.

Calling for a permanent ceasefire and a hostage-for-prisoner exchange.

Ensuring the unhindered flow of humanitarian aid to all parts of Gaza.

Tue, Sep 23, 3:44 AM (Palestine Time)

Israeli Occupation Raids in the West Bank

Israeli forces raided several locations in the occupied West Bank early Tuesday.

According to Palestinian media, the raids targeted:

Al-Fawwar refugee camp, south of Hebron.

Qusra town, south of Nablus.

Al-Mazra’a al-Gharbiya village, north of Ramallah.

Tue, Sep 23, 2:56 AM (Palestine Time)

News Roundup: Global Leaders at UN Conference Condemn Israel, as More Nations Recognize Palestine

A global conference on the two-state solution in New York has become a focal point for international condemnations of Israel’s policies and a wave of new recognitions of a Palestinian state.

New Recognitions:

Andorra, Malta, Belgium, Luxembourg, and Monaco all announced their recognition of a Palestinian state. Their leaders stated that the move is a demonstration of their commitment to a two-state solution and is not a reward for violence.

Canada’s Stance:

Canadian Prime Minister Mark Carney announced Canada’s recognition, calling it an acknowledgment of the Palestinian people’s right to self-determination. He criticized the Netanyahu government for systematically working to prevent a Palestinian state and for violating international law with its settlement expansion.

UK and EU Positions:

The UK’s Foreign Secretary Yvette Cooper said a Palestinian state is an “inalienable right” and accused the Netanyahu government of choosing to escalate the war and obstruct aid.

The EU Commission President Kaja Kallas said the two-state solution is the “only peace plan” and pledged to create a donor group and a reconstruction mechanism for Palestine.

Criticism from Around the World:

Brazil's President Lula da Silva called what is happening in Gaza genocide.

Spain's Foreign Minister said his country, as one that believes in human rights, cannot have a normal relationship with Israel amidst an ongoing war.

Germany's Foreign Minister reaffirmed his country's commitment to Israel's security but said settlements are an "obstacle to peace" and that people in Gaza are living "in a hell on earth."

Egypt's Prime Minister stated that his country rejects any attempts to displace the Palestinian people and that security for Israel will not be achieved through military force.

South Africa's President Cyril Ramaphosa called on all UN member states to recognize a Palestinian state on the 1967 borders and condemned the genocide in Gaza.

Gaza and West Bank Updates

Gaza Genocide Actions:

Palestinian media reported that Israeli warplanes and artillery shelled the outskirts of Al-Shate' refugee camp and areas near UNRWA schools in western Gaza City.

Footage also showed what were described as "terrifying explosions" as Israeli forces detonated booby-trapped armored vehicles.

West Bank Clashes:

Sources reported clashes and gunfire during an Israeli raid on the town of Sa'ir and the Al-Aroub refugee camp near Hebron. Israeli forces also raided the town of Surra in the northern West Bank.

Israeli and US Reactions

Warning from the US:

According to the Times of Israel, the Trump administration has warned Israel against annexing the West Bank in retaliation for the international recognition of a Palestinian state.

European Retaliation:

A European official told the Washington Post that Europe could respond "more harshly," possibly with trade sanctions on settlement exports, if Israel retaliates by annexing the West Bank.

Netanyahu's Reliance on Washington:

An NBC source said that Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu will not take any retaliatory action against the recognitions without Washington's support.

Qatar's Warning:

The Qatari Foreign Ministry spokesperson said that Israel's campaign has targeted many countries, including Qatar, and that its maverick aggression puts all regional agreements at risk.

Tue, Sep 23, 12:09 AM (Palestine Time)

‘Gaza Is Burning’: How Zionist Hate Fuels Genocide

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: Israel’s war minister, Israel Katz, declared with characteristic Zionist hubris: “Gaza is burning.” His words were not a battlefield report or a measured account of military progress.

Read [the latest article by Jamal Kanj](#).

Mon, Sep 22, 11:52 PM (Palestine Time)

How Transmission of Indigenous Foodways Provide a Powerful Path of Resistance

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: Al-Qassam Brigades released a video of Israeli captive Alon Oham denouncing Netanyahu and Ben-Gvir, accusing the government of seeking to kill prisoners as the group warned of a looming war of attrition in Gaza City.

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Abbas: We Want a Demilitarized Palestinian State

Palestinian Authority: Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas called for an immediate end to the war, lifting the siege, and releasing hostages. He said Hamas and other factions must hand over weapons to the Palestinian Authority and declared his vision for a demilitarized Palestinian state. Abbas also committed to holding elections within a year after the war and reiterated recognition of Israel’s right to exist, while urging Israel to halt settlement expansion and sit at the negotiating table.

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UNGA President: Gaza’s Children Have Been Living in Terror for 700 Days

UNITED NATIONS: UN General Assembly President Annalena Baerbock said Gaza’s children have lived in terror for over 700 days, citing the cases of Hind Rajab and Israeli child Kfir Bibas as symbols of the world’s failure. She warned against settlement expansion in the West Bank and stressed that Resolution 181 laid the foundation for the two-state solution, which remains the only path to peace. She said the New York Declaration was supported by 142 member states and affirmed the need for a sovereign Palestinian state within recognized borders.

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How Transmission of Indigenous Foodways Provide a Powerful Path of Resistance

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: Despite Israel’s escalating violence that it hopes will drive out remaining Palestinians from their land, the Gaza Soup Kitchen refuses to give up.

Read [the latest article by Benay Blend](#).

Mon, Sep 22, 10:45 PM (Palestine Time)

Kallas: EU to Discuss Sanctions on Israel

AL-JAZEERA: EU foreign policy chief Kaja Kallas said that all European countries support the two-state solution, while stressing that recognition of a Palestinian state is an individual decision for each country. She added that the EU is working to improve the humanitarian situation in the Gaza

Strip and will discuss the possibility of imposing sanctions on Israel next month. Kallas also said the EU supports sanctions on Hamas leaders as a means of pressure.

Mon, Sep 22, 10:45 PM (Palestine Time)

Gaza Death Toll Rises as Israeli Attacks Force Shutdown of Children's Hospital

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: Sixty-one Palestinians were killed in Israeli attacks in the last 24 hours, raising the death toll to 65,344 since October 2023, Gaza's Health Ministry announced on Monday.

Mon, Sep 22, 9:05 PM (Palestine Time)

Channel 12: Trump May Present Plan to End Gaza War Tomorrow

ISRAELI MEDIA: Israeli Channel 12 quoted American officials as saying that President Donald Trump and his envoy Steve Witkoff may present a plan tomorrow, Tuesday, to Arab and Muslim leaders to end the war in Gaza.

The report cited an Israeli official who said Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu already knows some details of Trump's plan and that Israel may be forced to accept parts of it.

Netanyahu is expected to discuss the plan with Trump during their meeting at the White House. Earlier, the White House announced that Trump will hold a "multilateral meeting" with Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Indonesia, Turkey, Pakistan, Egypt, the United Arab Emirates, and Jordan.

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Heavy Shelling on Al-Shati Refugee Camp

AL-JAZEERA: Israeli forces carried out heavy artillery shelling on Al-Shati refugee camp, west of Gaza City.

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France, 10 Other Countries, to Recognize Palestine ahead of UN Summit

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: The wave of international recognition of a Palestinian state continues, as France, along with 10 other countries, prepares to officially announce its recognition during a summit held on Monday at the United Nations headquarters in New York to discuss the future of the two-state solution in light of Israel's ongoing genocidal war in the Gaza Strip