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Massive damage in Tel Aviv following Iran's retaliatory attack. (Photo: video grab, via social media)

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The eighth day of the Iran-Israel war began with the Iranian Revolutionary Guard announcing a new wave of combined missile and drone strikes on military targets in Haifa and Tel Aviv.

Meanwhile, the Israeli army continues to carry out massacres against civilians in the Gaza Strip, killing at least 82 Palestinians since dawn on Thursday, including 22 people who were waiting for aid in central Gaza.

Since October 7, 2023, Israel has killed 55,493 and injured 129,320 others, the majority of whom are women and children, according to the Palestinian Ministry of Health in Gaza.

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CNN: Israel Cannot Eliminate All of Iran's Nuclear Facilities

CNN (citing Israeli officials):

According to Israeli officials cited by CNN, Israel launched its operation against Iran without a firm US commitment to join.

They believed that early military successes might entice Trump into military involvement.

However, the pace of Israeli success is slowing, and officials warn that this increases the risk of a miscalculation.

They acknowledged that Israel cannot eliminate all of Iran's nuclear facilities.

Fri, Jun 20, 11:21 PM (Palestine Time)

Israel Fears War of Attrition With Iran

YEDIOTH AHRONOTH: The Israeli newspaper reported that Iran had planned to manufacture dozens of long-range ballistic missiles monthly, with the goal of producing 11,000 in a decade, along with launch platforms. Despite losses, Iran still possesses significant launch and air defense capabilities. Israeli security officials fear a prolonged war of attrition with Iran in the absence of a diplomatic path.

Fri, Jun 20, 11:21 PM (Palestine Time)

Trump: Iran Is Suffering, I Cannot Decide Now

US PRESIDENT DONALD TRUMP:

Trump said talks with Iran might happen soon, emphasizing that Iran wants to negotiate with the US, not Europe.

He claimed Iran was weeks away from acquiring a nuclear weapon.

“I can’t make a decision now,” Trump said, adding, “Iran is the one suffering, and I don’t know how to stop the fighting.”

He praised Israel’s military performance and said it would be hard to ask them to stop airstrikes.

He floated the idea of a ceasefire “depending on the conditions” and gave Iran a two-week deadline to “come to its senses.”

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Israeli Media: Tel Aviv Awaits Washington’s Decision on Joining War

ISRAELI CHANNEL 12: An Israeli military source told Channel 12 that Israel is preparing to strike Iran’s main nuclear facility but is awaiting Washington’s decision on entering the war.

Fri, Jun 20, 11:21 PM (Palestine Time)

Mehr News: Air Defenses Target Drones Over Tabriz

MEHR NEWS AGENCY: Iranian air defense systems reportedly intercepted small Israeli drones flying over the city of Tabriz in northwestern Iran.

Fri, Jun 20, 11:21 PM (Palestine Time)

Israeli Media: War Against Iran Will Last Longer Than Expected

ISRAELI CHANNEL 12: Senior Israeli officials admitted that the war with Iran is expected to last longer than originally anticipated.

Fri, Jun 20, 11:21 PM (Palestine Time)

'No Talks under Fire': Iran Draws Red Line in Geneva Talks with E3

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: Iran has ruled out direct nuclear negotiations with the United States unless Israel halts its ongoing military strikes against the country, Iranian officials told European mediators during high-stakes talks in Geneva, according to diplomatic sources cited by CNN.

At a closed-door meeting on Friday at the Intercontinental Hotel in Geneva, Iranian Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi met with his counterparts from the United Kingdom, France, and Germany — the so-called E3 — along with EU foreign policy chief Kaja Kallas.

Fri, Jun 20, 10:17 PM (Palestine Time)

Araghchi: Our Missile Capabilities Are Non-Negotiable

IRANIAN FOREIGN MINISTER:

Iran's Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi stated that Tehran clearly informed the European side that its missile capabilities are not open to negotiation.

He described the Geneva talks as serious and said Iran is open to a future round of discussions.

However, he stressed that no negotiations will take place while Israeli aggression continues.

Fri, Jun 20, 10:17 PM (Palestine Time)

EU Statement: Longstanding Concerns Over Iran's Nuclear Program

EU FOREIGN MINISTERS:

In a joint statement, the EU and E3 foreign ministers reiterated long-held concerns about the expansion of Iran's nuclear program, which they say lacks a credible civilian purpose.

They called on all parties to refrain from actions that would escalate the situation further.

Fri, Jun 20, 10:17 PM (Palestine Time)

CNN: Iran Did Not Agree to Halt Uranium Enrichment

CNN:

According to an Iranian source cited by CNN, Tehran has not agreed to halt uranium enrichment, calling it a clear red line.

The Geneva talks reportedly began with tension but improved after a pause.

Both the Iranian and European delegations exchanged accusations over the US withdrawal from the original nuclear deal.

Fri, Jun 20, 9:04 PM (Palestine Time)

France: Only Dialogue Can Resolve Iran's Nuclear File

FRENCH FOREIGN MINISTER: France's foreign minister reiterated that resolving Iran's nuclear issue is only possible through dialogue. He acknowledged that military operations may disrupt Iran's nuclear program but cannot halt it entirely.

Fri, Jun 20, 9:04 PM (Palestine Time)

WSJ: Israel Risks Depleting Arrow 3 Missile Stockpile

WALL STREET JOURNAL: Citing a US official, the Wall Street Journal reported that Israel risks exhausting its supply of Arrow 3 interceptor missiles if Iran continues launching attacks. US destroyers are positioned close enough to intercept Iranian missiles, but there is growing concern over missile defense reserves after reallocations to the region.

Fri, Jun 20, 9:04 PM (Palestine Time)

Iran Warns of Multiple Options if US Joins War

CNN: According to a statement by the Iranian presidency spokesperson reported by CNN, Tehran has “many options” if the United States becomes directly involved in the war. He added that diplomacy could resume easily if Trump orders an end to the offensive.

Fri, Jun 20, 7:54 PM (Palestine Time)

Iran-EU Talks Resume after Brief Pause

AL-JAZEERA: A diplomatic source told Al Jazeera that the meeting between the Iranian foreign minister and the European side has resumed after a short pause for consultations.

Fri, Jun 20, 7:54 PM (Palestine Time)

Iranian Envoy: US Threats Violate UN Charter

IRANIAN ENVOY TO UN: Iran’s UN ambassador stated that US threats to strike Iranian nuclear facilities constitute a blatant violation of the UN Charter, and denounced Israeli and Western representatives for spreading lies to justify their crimes.

Fri, Jun 20, 7:54 PM (Palestine Time)

Geneva Talks Temporarily Halted for Consultations

JERUSALEM POST: The Jerusalem Post cited a source confirming that the Geneva negotiations were paused briefly for internal consultations.

Fri, Jun 20, 7:54 PM (Palestine Time)

Israeli Officials: No Evidence of Iranian Regime Cracks

JERUSALEM POST: Israeli officials told the Jerusalem Post there is no indication of internal fractures within the Iranian regime one week after the Israeli attack.

Fri, Jun 20, 7:54 PM (Palestine Time)

Iran: Hundreds Killed, Thousands Injured in Israeli Assault

IRANIAN ENVOY TO UN: The Iranian representative at the UN said Israel violated international law by attacking five hospitals, killing hundreds and injuring thousands, including medical workers and humanitarian staff.

Fri, Jun 20, 7:54 PM (Palestine Time)

Netanyahu: We Have the Means to Destroy Iran’s Nuclear Program

BENJAMIN NETANYAHU: Israeli PM Netanyahu said Iran’s nuclear ambitions must be stopped and thanked Trump for his support. He claimed Israel targets only military and nuclear facilities, while Iran targets civilians.

Fri, Jun 20, 7:54 PM (Palestine Time)

Israeli Army Chief: Prepare for a Prolonged War

ISRAELI ARMY: Chief of Staff Herzi Halevi said Israel destroyed about half of Iran's missile platforms and warned of difficult days ahead, emphasizing readiness for a prolonged military campaign.

Fri, Jun 20, 6:57 PM (Palestine Time)

Russia Warns US over Nukes in Iran, Condemns Khamenei Assassination Talk

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: The Russian presidency has issued a stark warning to the United States, cautioning against the use of tactical nuclear weapons in Iran—a move Moscow described as potentially catastrophic.

Fri, Jun 20, 6:41 PM (Palestine Time)

Israeli Government to Allocate 100 Million Shekels for Bomb Shelter Upgrades

ISRAELI MEDIA: Israeli media reported that the government has approved a 100 million shekel budget to renovate public shelters and construct new fortified rooms.

Fri, Jun 20, 6:41 PM (Palestine Time)

Injuries in Haifa Strike Rise to 30

ISRAELI MEDIA: The number of those injured in the Iranian missile strike on Haifa has climbed to 30, according to the Israeli Broadcasting Authority.

Fri, Jun 20, 6:41 PM (Palestine Time)

Haifa Mayor: Strategic Sites Are Being Destroyed

ISRAELI MEDIA: The mayor of Haifa criticized successive Israeli governments, saying the city has long been neglected and is now witnessing the destruction of its strategic locations.

Fri, Jun 20, 6:41 PM (Palestine Time)

IRGC: Precision Strikes Show Growing Missile Power

IRANIAN MEDIA: The Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps said the 17th wave of attacks targeted military centers, defense industries, and the Nevatim and Hatzerim airbases.

Fri, Jun 20, 6:41 PM (Palestine Time)

Israeli Analyst: New Iranian Missile Represents Tactical Shift

ISRAELI MEDIA: Channel 12's Almog Boker reported that one of the Iranian missiles in the latest strike carried a fragmentation warhead containing 26 submunitions.

The missile exploded at a pre-set altitude, scattering the mini-warheads over a wide radius, causing significant material damage.

Fri, Jun 20, 5:58 PM (Palestine Time)

Toward the Abyss: Israel, Iran, and the Moral Collapse of the West

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: The crisis is not only strategic — it is moral. The United States no longer acts out of calculation or fear, but out of a kind of reflexive obedience. Israel dictates; Washington complies.

Fri, Jun 20, 5:43 PM (Palestine Time)

Iran's National Security Council Offers Amnesty to Collaborators with Israel

IRANIAN MEDIA: Iran's Supreme National Security Council announced it would grant collaborators with the Zionist regime until July 1 to hand over their drones in exchange for amnesty.

Fri, Jun 20, 5:43 PM (Palestine Time)

Israeli Media: Iran Used New Missile in Latest Strike

ISRAELI MEDIA: Israeli media reported that one of the Iranian missiles used in the latest barrage carried a fragmentation warhead containing 26 mini-missiles.

Fri, Jun 20, 5:43 PM (Palestine Time)

Former Israeli UN Envoy Urges Trump to Bomb Iran

ISRAELI MEDIA:

Former Israeli ambassador to the United Nations Gilad Erdan called on US President Donald Trump to bomb Iran and “end the Iranian nuclear program.”

In a post on X, he told Trump that such a move would end the Arab-Israeli conflict and “cement your legacy as a peacemaker.”

Fri, Jun 20, 5:43 PM (Palestine Time)

Haifa Mayor: Two Strategic Points Targeted in Iranian Strike

ISRAELI MEDIA: According to Channel 12, the mayor of Haifa stated that two strategic locations in the city were targeted in the latest Iranian strike.

Fri, Jun 20, 5:43 PM (Palestine Time)

Tanks, Drones, and Bulldozers: Gaza Resistance Records New Battlefield Gains

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: The Palestinian resistance groups in Gaza, primarily the Al-Qassam Brigades—the military wing of the Islamic Resistance Movement (Hamas)—and the Al-Quds Brigades, affiliated with the Islamic Jihad movement, have escalated their operations against Israeli occupation forces across multiple fronts in the Gaza Strip.

Fri, Jun 20, 4:43 PM (Palestine Time)

Araghchi: Determined to Defend Our Sovereignty

IRANIAN MEDIA:

Iranian Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi stated:

“Israel launched an unprovoked aggression against Iran in violation of all international laws.

“We are determined to defend our sovereignty.

“Israel targeted our peaceful nuclear facilities despite their being under international supervision.

“We call on the signatories of the Geneva Agreement to take responsibility for Israel's aggression.

“We are facing unjust actions and will not allow Israel and its backers to turn the narrative upside down.”

Fri, Jun 20, 4:43 PM (Palestine Time)

Iranian Missile Falls in Settlement in the West Bank

ISRAELI MEDIA: Israeli media reported that an Iranian missile landed in the settlement of Elkana, west of Salfit in the northern occupied West Bank.

Fri, Jun 20, 4:43 PM (Palestine Time)

Injuries Reported in Iranian Strike on Government Compound in Jerusalem

ISRAELI MEDIA: According to Israeli media, several people were injured in an Iranian missile strike targeting the government ministries compound in Jerusalem.

Fri, Jun 20, 4:43 PM (Palestine Time)

Khamenei: The Zionist Enemy Is Being Punished

SUPREME LEADER’S OFFICE: Iranian Supreme Leader Ali Khamenei posted in Arabic: “The Zionist enemy is receiving its retribution; it is being punished now.”

Fri, Jun 20, 4:20 PM (Palestine Time)

At Least 12 Wounded in Iranian Strike on Haifa

ISRAELI MEDIA: Israeli media reported that at least 12 people were injured, some critically, in Haifa due to the Iranian missile strikes on the city.

Fri, Jun 20, 4:20 PM (Palestine Time)

Iranian Missile Directly Hits Building in Gush Dan

ISRAELI MEDIA: Channel 12 reported that an Iranian missile directly struck a building in the Gush Dan area.

Fri, Jun 20, 4:20 PM (Palestine Time)

Widespread Damage in Central Israel, Says Fire Department

ISRAELI FIRE SERVICE: Israel’s fire department said extensive damage was reported in central Israel following Iranian missile strikes.

Fri, Jun 20, 4:20 PM (Palestine Time)

Two Critically Wounded in Iranian Strike on Haifa

ISRAELI MEDIA: According to Israeli media, at least two people were seriously injured in Haifa after a missile launched from Iran hit the city.

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Iranian Strike Forces Plane to Divert from Ben Gurion Airport

ISRAELI MEDIA: Channel 12 reported that an incoming plane carrying stranded passengers from abroad had to turn around before landing at Ben Gurion Airport due to the Iranian bombardment.

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Several Injured in Haifa After Iranian Strikes

ISRAELI MEDIA: Channel 12 said several people were wounded in Iranian missile strikes on the city of Haifa.

Fri, Jun 20, 4:20 PM (Palestine Time)

Missiles Hit Haifa and Beersheba; Heavy Damage in Haifa

ISRAELI MEDIA: Iranian missiles struck the northern city of Haifa and the southern city of Beersheba. Channel 12 reported that a missile caused significant material damage in Haifa.

Fri, Jun 20, 4:20 PM (Palestine Time)

Israel: 30 Missiles Launched from Iran

ISRAELI MEDIA: According to Channel 12, Iran launched a salvo of 30 missiles targeting Israel.

Fri, Jun 20, 3:53 PM (Palestine Time)

Undetected Iranian Missile Hits Beersheba, Targets Military Site

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: One single Iranian missile struck Beersheba without interception, injuring dozens and targeting a site linked to Israel's military cyber operations.

Fri, Jun 20, 3:49 PM (Palestine Time)

Powerful Explosions Rock Multiple Areas Across Israel

AL-JAZEERA: Powerful explosions were reported in various parts of Israel. Air raid sirens have expanded and now include several settlements in the occupied West Bank.

Fri, Jun 20, 3:49 PM (Palestine Time)

Israeli Army Strikes Military Infrastructure in Western and Central Iran

REUTERS: The Israeli army confirmed on Friday it had carried out attacks on military infrastructure in western and central Iran.

Fri, Jun 20, 3:49 PM (Palestine Time)

Russia Warns: Israeli Strikes on Iran Risk Nuclear Catastrophe

RUSSIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY: Russian Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Maria Zakharova warned that Israel's attacks near Iranian nuclear sites heighten the risk of a nuclear disaster.

Fri, Jun 20, 2:56 PM (Palestine Time)

Al-Qassam Targets Israeli Soldiers and Settlements

AL-JAZEERA: The Al-Qassam Brigades, the military wing of Hamas, said its fighters shelled a gathering of Israeli soldiers and vehicles in the Qizan an-Najjar area, south of Khan Yunis, with mortar rounds. They also targeted the "Nirim" and "Ein HaShlosha" kibbutzim east of Khan Yunis with short-range Rajoum rockets (114 mm caliber).

Fri, Jun 20, 2:56 PM (Palestine Time)

UK Coordinates with Israel to Secure Flights

AL-JAZEERA: The British Foreign Minister said the UK is working with Israeli authorities to secure flight operations from Tel Aviv once the airspace is reopened.

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Israeli Channel: US-Israel Video Meeting Held Yesterday

ISRAELI MEDIA: An Israeli channel reported that a video meeting took place Thursday between US and Israeli officials, including Prime Minister Netanyahu, Defense Minister Israel Katz, US Vice President JD Vance, and US Defense Secretary Pete Hegseth.

Fri, Jun 20, 2:56 PM (Palestine Time)

Iran: Cyberattacks Disrupted Banking Systems

IRANIAN GOVERNMENT SPOKESWOMAN:

Iran's government said cyberattacks targeted the country's vital infrastructure, causing disruptions in the banking sector.

Internet restrictions were imposed as a security measure amid Israeli threats.

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Iranian Council: Iranian People Will Continue to Defend Their Identity

IRANIAN EXPEDIENCY COUNCIL:

The council declared that expecting the Iranian people to surrender or accept imposed peace is an illusion.

They affirmed continued resistance under the leadership of the Supreme Leader and criticized US President Trump's remarks as irrational and shortsighted.

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CNN: Israeli Ministers Pressure Foreign Media over Coverage CNN

CNN: CNN reported that far-right Israeli ministers threatened to launch security investigations into foreign media outlets over their coverage of Iranian attacks and footage of strike locations.

Fri, Jun 20, 2:56 PM (Palestine Time)

Iran Arrests Suspected Mossad Spy in Tehran

IRANIAN STATE TV: Iran announced the arrest of a man in Tehran accused of spying for Israel's Mossad.

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Demonstrations in Iranian Cities Condemn Israeli Attacks

AL-JAZEERA: Demonstrations were held in multiple Iranian cities on Friday to protest against the Israeli attacks.

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Bloomberg: Iran Hacked Security Cameras inside Israel

BLOOMBERG: Iran has reportedly succeeded in hacking internet-connected security cameras inside Israel for intelligence purposes, according to Israeli officials.

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Macron Stresses Importance of IAEA Operations AL-JAZEERA

AL-JAZEERA:

French President Emmanuel Macron said the IAEA must continue its work to ensure Iran is not enriching uranium.

He called for nuclear negotiations with Iran to include the issue of its funding to regional allies, and condemned targeting civilian and energy infrastructure in the Iran-Israel conflict.

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Iran: Israel Targeted Hospital in Tehran

IRANIAN HEALTH MINISTRY:

Iran's Health Ministry said Israel targeted a hospital in Tehran—marking the third such incident. Six ambulances and a health service center have also been attacked since the beginning of the aggression.

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Erdogan: Iran Nuclear Issue Must Be Resolved through Negotiation

TURKISH PRESIDENCY:

President Erdogan told German Chancellor Friedrich Merz that the Iranian nuclear dispute must be resolved through talks.

He said Israeli aggression raised the regional threat level and warned of possible radiation leaks. Ankara is working to end the conflict.

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Katz: We Continue Targeting Facilities and Scientists in Iran

ISRAELI DEFENSE MINISTRY: Defense Minister Israel Katz said he ordered intensified strikes on regime targets in Tehran to deter missile fire and undermine Iran's nuclear program.

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Qatar Condemns Israeli Aggression and Warns of Energy Fallout

QATAR FOREIGN MINISTRY: Qatari PM and FM Mohammed bin Abdulrahman Al Thani, in a call with Norway's FM, condemned repeated Israeli aggression.

Fri, Jun 20, 2:56 PM (Palestine Time)

Iran's Military Prepared for Years of Conflict

FARS NEWS AGENCY: Iran's Ministry of Defense said all military installations remain operational despite ongoing Israeli attacks, and that armed forces are equipped for prolonged combat.

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Lapid Slams Israeli Censorship During Iran Strikes

ISRAELI MEDIA: Opposition leader Yair Lapid criticized comprehensive censorship during Iranian strikes, saying it hinders Israeli media and global sympathy.

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UK Defense Minister: Iran Must Not Acquire Nuclear Weapons

THE TIMES: The British defense minister warned that Iran must not be allowed to obtain nuclear weapons and still has a chance to reach a nuclear agreement.

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Kremlin: Maintaining Dialogue With All Parties Amid Escalation

KREMLIN: Moscow stated it is maintaining dialogue with Israel, Iran, and the US amid the growing conflict, warning that the region is teetering on the brink of instability and war.

Fri, Jun 20, 2:56 PM (Palestine Time)

Israeli Drone Targets Residential Building in Tehran

IRANIAN MEDIA: Iranian media reported that an Israeli drone targeted a residential building in central Tehran.

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Israel: Over 2,500 Injured Since Start of Iranian Strikes

ISRAELI HEALTH MINISTRY:

54 people were hospitalized Friday morning due to Iranian attacks.

In total, over 2,500 have been injured since the beginning of the Iranian missile campaign.

Fri, Jun 20, 2:56 PM (Palestine Time)

Iranian President Vows Harsher Retaliation Against Israel

IRANIAN PRESIDENCY:

President Masoud Pezeshkian said unconditional cessation of Israeli aggression and guarantees are the only path to end the war.

He warned that Iran's responses will intensify and make Israel regret its actions.

Fri, Jun 20, 2:56 PM (Palestine Time)

Israeli Army Spokesman: Strikes on Iran's Nuclear Sites Will Continue

ISRAELI MILITARY SPOKESMAN: The spokesperson said Israel continues to target Iran's nuclear sites and missile platforms. He claimed the attacks help achieve war objectives and noted that Iranian missiles were intercepted overnight.

Fri, Jun 20, 2:56 PM (Palestine Time)

Five Killed in Israeli Strike on Rafah Aid Distribution Site

AL-JAZEERA: A source at Nasser Medical Complex reported that five Palestinians were killed and others injured on Friday in an Israeli airstrike near an aid distribution center northwest of Rafah, in southern Gaza.

Fri, Jun 20, 2:56 PM (Palestine Time)

42 Palestinians Killed in Gaza, Including 25 Waiting for Aid

AL-JAZEERA: Medical sources in Gaza hospitals said 42 Palestinians were killed by Israeli fire since early Friday, including 25 people waiting for humanitarian aid.

Fri, Jun 20, 2:56 PM (Palestine Time)

Hamas: No Solution to Refugee Issue Without Ending Occupation

HAMAS: The Palestinian resistance movement Hamas said the refugee issue can only be resolved through the end of the occupation and the return of Palestinians to the homes they were expelled from. It condemned Israel's war on refugee camps in the West Bank as a dangerous escalation targeting the refugee cause, and rejected Israeli attempts—backed by Washington—to eliminate UNRWA's role.

Fri, Jun 20, 11:24 AM (Palestine Time)

Araghchi: We Target Military and Economic Sites in Israel

AL-JAZEERA: Iranian Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi said his country targets military and economic centers in Israel and does not target civilian buildings or hospitals.

Fri, Jun 20, 11:24 AM (Palestine Time)

Australian FM: Our Forces in the Middle East Will Not Engage in Combat

REUTERS: Australian Foreign Minister Penny Wong said Canberra has suspended operations at its embassy in Tehran due to the deteriorating security situation. She confirmed the deployment of troops and aircraft to the Middle East to help evacuate citizens, but emphasized that these forces would not participate in any combat.

Fri, Jun 20, 11:24 AM (Palestine Time)

Russian Official: Situation at Bushehr Nuclear Plant Is Normal

AL-JAZEERA: Alexey Likhachev, head of Russia's Rosatom nuclear agency, said Russian specialists continue to work at Iran's Bushehr nuclear power plant and that the situation is normal and under control. He expressed hope that Israel had received Russia's warnings not to strike the site.

Fri, Jun 20, 11:24 AM (Palestine Time)

Araghchi: No Dialogue with Washington Because It Is Complicit in the Crimes

AL-JAZEERA:

Iranian FM Abbas Araghchi said the US wants negotiations and has sent serious messages, but Tehran responded that talks are impossible while the aggression continues.

He stated that Iran is engaged in legitimate self-defense and ruled out any contact with Washington under current conditions.

Talks with European states in Geneva are limited to nuclear and regional issues. He added that Iran will not negotiate its missile capabilities, which are strictly for national defense.

Fri, Jun 20, 11:24 AM (Palestine Time)

Shamkhani: War With Us Is Playing With Fire

AL-JAZEERA:

Ali Shamkhani, advisor to Iran's Supreme Leader, warned that war with Iran is "playing with fire" and will only bring destruction.

He stressed that the country's military leaders, scientists, and martyrs are not gone and that their flag will not fall.

Fri, Jun 20, 11:24 AM (Palestine Time)

Air Defenses Activated in Central Tehran

IRANIAN MEDIA: Iranian media confirmed the activation of air defense systems in central Tehran.

Fri, Jun 20, 11:24 AM (Palestine Time)

Araghchi: We Are Not Ready for Any Talks Amid Ongoing Attacks

IRANIAN TV:

Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi said Iran is not prepared for any negotiations while Israeli attacks continue.

He added that other countries would distance themselves from Israel's aggression once they see Iran's resistance.

Fri, Jun 20, 11:24 AM (Palestine Time)

Iran Confirms Damage to 5 Hospitals

IRANIAN EMERGENCY AUTHORITY: Iran's Emergency Authority reported that five hospitals have been damaged and patients affected by Israeli strikes in recent days.

Fri, Jun 20, 11:24 AM (Palestine Time)

Damage Reported at Arak Nuclear Complex

IAEA: The International Atomic Energy Agency confirmed damage to key buildings at Iran's heavy water Arak nuclear complex following Israeli bombardment.

Fri, Jun 20, 11:24 AM (Palestine Time)

Irish FM: The Alternative to De-escalation Is Extremely Dangerous

AL-JAZEERA:

Ireland's Foreign Minister Micheál Martin said today's Geneva talks between the EU and Iran are an opportunity for a diplomatic path.

He urged intensified diplomacy in the coming hours and warned that the alternative to dialogue is extremely dangerous.

Fri, Jun 20, 11:24 AM (Palestine Time)

Iranian MP Warns US of 'Strategic Surprise'

AL-JAZEERA: Ebrahim Azizi, head of Iran's parliamentary national security committee, said US entry into the conflict would result in a "strategic surprise." He warned that such involvement would accelerate the US's military and security expulsion from the region.

Fri, Jun 20, 11:24 AM (Palestine Time)

Israeli Warning to Hezbollah Leader

REUTERS:

Israeli Defense Minister Israel Katz said Hezbollah's Secretary-General has not learned from the fate of his predecessors.

He warned the group against acting on orders from Khamenei, adding that Israel has lost patience with those who threaten it.

Fri, Jun 20, 11:24 AM (Palestine Time)

Iran Says Two Drones Shot Down in Tehran

IRANIAN MEDIA: The IRGC commander in southern Tehran announced the downing of two small drones near the Tehran oil refinery last night.

Fri, Jun 20, 11:24 AM (Palestine Time)

Kremlin Warns Against Regime Change in Iran

KREMLIN: The Kremlin warned against attempts to change the regime in Iran and said that even mentioning the assassination of Supreme Leader Ali Khamenei is "unacceptable."

Fri, Jun 20, 11:24 AM (Palestine Time)

Slovakia Closes Embassy in Tehran

AL-JAZEERA: Slovakia's Foreign Ministry announced the temporary closure of its embassy in Tehran and the evacuation of all diplomatic staff.

Fri, Jun 20, 11:24 AM (Palestine Time)

Beersheba Police Reveal Missile Damage

ISRAELI POLICE: Beersheba police said an Iranian missile strike injured seven people and caused severe damage to residential apartments and vehicles. Rescue teams evacuated residents trapped inside a damaged building.

Fri, Jun 20, 11:24 AM (Palestine Time)

Israel Announces Strike on Iranian Commander

ISRAELI ARMY RADIO: The Israeli army said it targeted an Iranian military commander and three missile launch platforms. Sources said the platforms were struck just before a missile was fired at Beersheba.

Fri, Jun 20, 11:24 AM (Palestine Time)

Israeli Agent Arrested in Iran

IRANIAN POLICE – KHUZESTAN: Iranian police in Khuzestan announced the arrest of an Israeli agent and four collaborators in the city of Masjed Soleiman. The agent had received funds to spread rumors, film sensitive locations, and incite unrest.

Fri, Jun 20, 11:24 AM (Palestine Time)

New Details on Beersheba Missile

ISRAELI MEDIA: Channel 12 reported that the Iranian missile fired at Beersheba carried a warhead weighing over 300 kilograms.

Fri, Jun 20, 8:11 AM (Palestine Time)

Fire Near Microsoft Office in Beersheba

US MEDIA: CNN reported a fire breaking out near the Microsoft office in Beersheba (Beir Al-Saba) after an Iranian attack.

Fri, Jun 20, 8:11 AM (Palestine Time)

Two Iranian Revolutionary Guard Members Killed in Israeli Strike

IRANIAN MEDIA: Iran's Revolutionary Guard in Zanzan province announced the killing of two Guard members in Abhar city, western Iran, following an Israeli attack last night.

Fri, Jun 20, 8:11 AM (Palestine Time)

Iran Announces Targeting of Technological Park in Beersheba

IRANIAN MEDIA: The Iranian news agency reported that the missile attack on Beersheba (Beir Al-Saba) in southern Israel targeted the Gav-Yam Negev Advanced Technologies Park. The agency clarified that the targeted area includes active military and cyber institutions.

Fri, Jun 20, 8:11 AM (Palestine Time)

Khamenei: 'Zionist Enemy Being Punished at This Moment'

SOCIAL MEDIA: Iranian Supreme Leader Ali Khamenei stated via his X account that "the Zionist enemy is being punished at this moment," referring to the new missile attack targeting Beersheba (Beir Al-Saba) in southern Israel.

Fri, Jun 20, 7:25 AM (Palestine Time)

11 Killed in Strike on Home in Deir Al-Balah

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: Local sources reported an increase in the number of killed to 11 due to Israeli occupation forces striking a home belonging to the Ayyash family in the Al-Muaskar area, west of Deir Al-Balah, in the central Gaza Strip.

Fri, Jun 20, 7:23 AM (Palestine Time)

Israeli Army Investigating Beersheba Missile Strike

ISRAELI MEDIA: Israeli Army Radio confirmed that Iran launched only one missile, which landed in Beersheba (Bir Al-Saba). The radio further stated that the army is investigating whether the incident was a direct impact of the missile.

Fri, Jun 20, 6:58 AM (Palestine Time)

Beersheba Station Closed Due to Damage from Iranian Missile

ISRAELI MEDIA: Israel's Channel 12 reported that the train company announced the closure of Beersheba (Bir Al-Saba) station due to damage sustained from the Iranian missile.

Fri, Jun 20, 6:56 AM (Palestine Time)

Israeli Army: Iranian Missile Not Intercepted

STATEMENT: The Israeli army stated that the Iranian missile directly impacted Beersheba (Bir Al-Saba) and was not intercepted.

Fri, Jun 20, 6:54 AM (Palestine Time)

Kremlin Spokesperson: US Intervention in Iran Would Be Mistake

RUSSIAN MEDIA: Kremlin Spokesperson Dmitry Peskov said that if the United States were to launch a strike on Iran, Moscow would consider this a mistaken step as it would lead to a significant escalation of the situation.

Fri, Jun 20, 6:19 AM (Palestine Time)

23 Killed Among Aid Seekers Near Netzarim Axis

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: A source at Al-Awda Hospital stated that 23 individuals waiting for aid were killed and others injured by Israeli occupation fire near the Netzarim axis in the central Gaza Strip.

Fri, Jun 20, 6:19 AM (Palestine Time)

34 Killed in Gaza Since Dawn Today, Including 23 Aid Seekers

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: Gaza hospital sources report that 34 individuals have been killed by Israeli occupation army fire in the Gaza Strip since dawn today, Friday. This includes 23 people who were waiting for aid.

Fri, Jun 20, 6:16 AM (Palestine Time)

Fires Erupt in Beersheba After Unintercepted Iranian Missile Strike

AL-MAYADEEN: Fires have erupted in Bir Al-Saba (Beersheba) following the direct impact of an Iranian missile that was not intercepted.

Fri, Jun 20, 6:13 AM (Palestine Time)

Israel Detects Missile Attack, Sirens Sound in South

ISRAELI MEDIA: Israel's Home Front Command announced that the military has detected an Iranian missile attack, with sirens sounding across southern Israel.

Fri, Jun 20, 6:13 AM (Palestine Time)

Missiles Launched Towards Negev Desert, One Impact Reported in Southern Israel

IRANIAN MEDIA: Iranian state television indicates initial estimations suggest missiles have been launched towards the Negev Desert, which houses the Nevatim Airbase.

Concurrently, Israel's Channel 12 reported that an Iranian missile has fallen on a site in southern Israel.

Fri, Jun 20, 6:13 AM (Palestine Time)

New Wave of Iranian Attacks on Israel Underway

IRANIAN MEDIA: The Iranian Students' News Agency (ISNA) reports that a new wave of Iranian missile attacks on Israel has begun.

Fri, Jun 20, 4:18 AM (Palestine Time)

22 Aid Seekers Killed near Netzarim Axis in Gaza

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: A source at Al-Awda Hospital reported that 22 individuals waiting for aid were killed and others injured by Israeli occupation fire near the Netzarim axis in the central Gaza Strip.

Fri, Jun 20, 4:10 AM (Palestine Time)

Four Killed, Others Injured among Aid Seekers Near Netzarim Axis

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: A source at Al-Awda Hospital reported that four individuals waiting for aid were killed and others injured by Israeli occupation fire near the Netzarim axis in the central Gaza Strip.

Fri, Jun 20, 4:06 AM (Palestine Time)

CNN: Trump Hopes Iran Will Accept Previously Rejected Conditions

US MEDIA: CNN, citing officials, reported that President Donald Trump and his advisors are hoping Iran will accept conditions it previously rejected, including abandoning uranium enrichment.

Fri, Jun 20, 4:04 AM (Palestine Time)

Occupation Forces Raid Two Villages North of Ramallah

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: Israeli occupation forces raided the villages of Arrura and Abwein, north of Ramallah.

Fri, Jun 20, 4:03 AM (Palestine Time)

Wall Street Journal: Conflict with Iran Costing Israel Hundreds of Millions Daily

US MEDIA: The Wall Street Journal, citing experts, reports:

The conflict with Iran is costing Israel hundreds of millions of dollars daily.

The largest cost incurred by Israel is for interceptor missiles used to counter Iranian strikes.

The cost of Israeli interceptor missiles could reach \$200 million per day.

Fri, Jun 20, 3:34 AM (Palestine Time)

Iranian Missiles Hit Israeli Command and Intelligence Headquarters

IRANIAN MEDIA: Fars News Agency stated that the 14th wave of Iranian missiles struck the command and intelligence headquarters of the Israeli army.

Fri, Jun 20, 3:34 AM (Palestine Time)

Weizmann Institute Suffers \$572 Million in Losses from Iranian Attack

ISRAELI MEDIA: The Israeli website Calcalist reported that the Weizmann Institute, south of Tel Aviv, sustained approximately \$572 million in losses due to the Iranian attack.

Fri, Jun 20, 3:34 AM (Palestine Time)

Israeli Drone Downed South of Tehran

IRANIAN MEDIA: The commander of Iran's Revolutionary Guard for the southern Tehran region stated that they shot down an Israeli drone in the Kahrizak area, south of the capital.

Fri, Jun 20, 3:31 AM (Palestine Time)

Eight Killed in Strike on Home West of Deir Al-Balah

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: A source at Al-Aqsa Hospital reported that eight people were killed and others injured in an Israeli airstrike on a home west of Deir Al-Balah city in the central Gaza Strip.

Fri, Jun 20, 3:29 AM (Palestine Time)

State Comptroller Criticizes 'Powerless' Government

ISRAELI MEDIA: Unprecedented destruction on the home front. The State Comptroller has gone on the offensive, describing the government as "powerless."

Fri, Jun 20, 1:50 AM (Palestine Time)

92 Palestinians Killed in Gaza since Thursday Dawn

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: Gaza hospital sources report that 92 Palestinians have been killed by Israeli occupation forces since Thursday dawn, including 64 in Gaza City and the northern Gaza Strip.

Fri, Jun 20, 1:46 AM (Palestine Time)

Iranian Air Defenses Down Israeli Drone South of Tehran

AL-MAYADEEN: Iranian air defenses have shot down an Israeli drone in the Kahrizak area, south of Tehran.

Fri, Jun 20, 1:33 AM (Palestine Time)

Fars News Agency: Reuters Report on Witkoff-Araghchi Phone Call is False

IRANIAN NEWS AGENCY: The report by Reuters regarding a phone call between Witkoff and Araghchi is unfounded.

Fri, Jun 20, 1:33 AM (Palestine Time)

Injuries Reported as Occupation Forces Fire on Aid Seekers South of Netzarim Axis

AL-MAYADEEN: Al Mayadeen's correspondent in Occupied Palestine reports that several individuals have been injured after Israeli occupation forces opened fire on Palestinians waiting for aid south of the Netzarim axis in the central Gaza Strip.

Fri, Jun 20, 1:29 AM (Palestine Time)

Iran's Revolutionary Guard: Combat Drones Used for First Time

IRANIAN MEDIA: Mizan news agency reported that on Thursday, Iran's Revolutionary Guard (IRGC) utilized combat drones for the first time, attacking military infrastructure in Israel.

Fri, Jun 20, 1:28 AM (Palestine Time)

Britain Believes Washington Prefers Diplomatic Solution with Tehran

FT: The Financial Times, citing sources, reported:

British Foreign Secretary David Lammy will convey a message from Washington to Iran that the path to a diplomatic solution is still possible.

Britain's impression after Lammy's meeting with Rubio at the White House is that Washington prefers a diplomatic solution.

Fri, Jun 20, 1:27 AM (Palestine Time)

'Trump Leans Towards Deal with Iran, Limited Strikes Possible'

US MEDIA: The New York Post reports that a source close to the White House indicates President Trump prefers to reach an agreement with Iran.

Trump appears more inclined to order limited strikes on Iranian nuclear facilities at Fordow and Natanz. The two-week deadline set by Trump has provided an opportunity for diplomacy.

It was also noted that Witkoff and Araghchi have been in contact in recent days, though no meeting plans have been set yet.

Fri, Jun 20, 1:25 AM (Palestine Time)

Iran Extends Flight Cancellations and Airspace Closure

IRANIAN MEDIA: Iran's Civil Aviation Organization announced the extension of flight cancellations and the closure of the country's airspace until 2:00 PM on Friday.

Fri, Jun 20, 1:21 AM (Palestine Time)

Three Explosions Heard in Eastern Tehran

IRANIAN MEDIA: Iran's Fars News Agency reported that air defense systems were activated in central and eastern parts of Tehran. Nour News said three explosions were heard east of the capital.

Fri, Jun 20, 1:21 AM (Palestine Time)

UK to Convey US Diplomatic Message to Iran

FINANCIAL TIMES: The Financial Times, citing sources, reported that British Foreign Secretary David Lammy will convey a message from Washington to Tehran affirming that a diplomatic solution is still possible. London believes the US prefers diplomacy, based on Lammy's recent White House meeting.

Fri, Jun 20, 1:21 AM (Palestine Time)

IRGC Confirms First Use of Armed Drones in Attacks on Israel

IRGC: The Iranian Revolutionary Guard Corps confirmed it used combat drones for the first time in Thursday's attacks, targeting Israeli military infrastructure.

Fri, Jun 20, 1:21 AM (Palestine Time)

Netanyahu Furious Over Katz's Threats

ISRAELI MEDIA: Israeli officials told Channel 13 that Prime Minister Netanyahu was extremely angry at Defense Minister Katz's remarks suggesting Israel could target Iranian Supreme Leader Khamenei. The comments were not coordinated with Netanyahu and reflected ongoing tensions between their offices.

Fri, Jun 20, 1:21 AM (Palestine Time)

Explosion Heard in Northern Tehran

ISNA: ISNA reported the sound of an explosion in northern Tehran.

Fri, Jun 20, 1:21 AM (Palestine Time)

'Promise Kept' Spokesman: Israeli Airspace Is Defenseless

IRNA: The spokesperson for Operation Promise Kept told Iran's IRNA that Israeli airspace is no longer protected and that "no place is safe."

Fri, Jun 20, 1:21 AM (Palestine Time)

Qassam Destroys Three Merkava Tanks, Al-Quds Shoots Down Advanced Drone

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: Palestinian resistance groups announced on Thursday a series of military operations against the Israeli occupation army, including destroying tanks, downing an advanced drone, and mortar shelling in various areas of the Gaza Strip.

Fri, Jun 20, 12:22 AM (Palestine Time)

Israeli President: Our Goal Is to Eliminate Iran's Nuclear and Missile Programs

POLITICO: Israeli President said regime change in Iran is not Israel's goal, but its removal would benefit the Iranian people. "Our primary objective is to eliminate Iran's nuclear and missile programs," he stated, adding that diplomacy remains an option.

Fri, Jun 20, 12:22 AM (Palestine Time)

Explosion at Norwegian Ambassador's Residence in Tel Aviv

NORWEGIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY: Norway's Foreign Ministry reported an explosion at the residence of its ambassador in Tel Aviv. No embassy staff were injured.

Fri, Jun 20, 12:22 AM (Palestine Time)

Iran: We Foiled Major Israeli Plot Against Araqchi

IRANIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY: An adviser to Iran's foreign minister said security agencies thwarted a major Israeli plot targeting Deputy FM Abbas Araqchi in Tehran a few days ago.

Fri, Jun 20, 12:22 AM (Palestine Time)

92 Palestinians Killed since Dawn in Gaza

AL-JAZEERA: Medical sources in Gaza reported that 92 Palestinians have been killed by Israeli occupation forces since Thursday morning, including 64 in Gaza City and the northern areas of the Strip.

Fri, Jun 20, 12:22 AM (Palestine Time)

Al-Quds Brigades: We Downed an Advanced Israeli Drone over Gaza

AL-QUDS BRIGADES: Our fighters shot down an advanced Israeli military drone of the "Matrice 600" type east of Al-Tuffah neighborhood in Gaza City.

Fri, Jun 20, 12:22 AM (Palestine Time)

'Al-Waad Al-Sadiq' Spokesman: Occupied Airspace Now Defenseless

IRNA: A spokesperson for the "Al-Waad Al-Sadiq" operation said Israeli-occupied airspace is now undefended and that "there is no longer any safe place."

Fri, Jun 20, 12:22 AM (Palestine Time)

UNICEF: Alarming Rise in Child Malnutrition in Gaza

UNICEF: The United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) said child malnutrition in Gaza is increasing at alarming rates.