# LIVE BLOG: Yemen Strikes Israel | New Resistance Ambush | US 'Aid Plan' for Gaza – Day 581

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Israel continued to carry out massacres in Gaza. (Photo: social media, via QNN) Share

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Israeli media revealed that US President Donald Trump decided to cut off communication with Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu.

Meanwhile, Israel admitted to the killing of two soldiers in Gaza amid stiff resistance.

Since October 7, 2023, Israel has killed 52,787 and injured 119,350 others, the majority of whom are women and children, according to the Palestinian Ministry of Health in Gaza.

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# 'Gates of Hell' - Al-Qassam Broadcast Footage of an Ambush Targeting Nine Soldiers

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: The Al-Qassam Brigades, the military wing of the Palestinian Resistance Movement Hamas, broadcast footage of a complex ambush against the Israeli occupation forces in the city of Rafah, in the southern Gaza Strip, as part of the "Gates of Hell" series of operations.

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# Overwhelming Majority - Norway's Largest Trade Union Votes for Boycott of Israel

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: The Norwegian Confederation of Trade Unions (LO), the country's largest labor federation, has voted in favor of a comprehensive boycott of Israel, including a ban on trade and investment with Israeli companies.

The decision was passed with an overwhelming 88 percent majority during LO's national congress, held in the Norwegian capital, Oslo, from May 8 to 9.

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#### **Al-Qassam Publishes New Footage**

AL-QASSAM BRIGADES: The Al-Qassam Brigades broadcast a video clip via Telegram of a complex ambush targeting an Israeli force near the Al-Mashrou' junction in Rafah city, southern Gaza Strip, as part of a series of operations they called "Gates of Hell," affirming that the ambush inflicted dead and wounded among the Israeli soldiers.

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#### Hamas Leader Comments on US Plan to Distribute Aid in Gaza

AL-JAZEERA: A leader in the Islamic Resistance Movement (Hamas), Basem Naim, said that the proposed US plan to distribute aid in Gaza is not far from the Israeli concept of militarizing aid. Naim warned local parties against becoming tools in the occupation's plans, as the US plan stipulates that these parties will help secure the distribution of aid.

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#### New Airstrike on Zaytoun Neighborhood

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: Israeli occupation aircraft launched a new airstrike on the eastern outskirts of the Zeitoun neighborhood, southeast of Gaza City.

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#### 40 British MPs Question Reports on Arms Exports to Israel

AL-JAZEERA: A letter from 40 British MPs regarding arms exports to Israel urged the Foreign Secretary to address allegations of continued exports of military equipment to Israel despite the suspension, expressing concern that Parliament was misled after the suspension of major arms export licenses to Israel.

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# 'Displacement and Death' - UN Officials Slam Israel's Gaza Aid Plan

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: UN officials have strongly criticized Israel's aid distribution plan for Gaza, warning that it could exacerbate civilian suffering and fail to meet basic humanitarian standards.

"After careful analysis, it appears the design of the plan presented by Israel to the humanitarian community will increase ongoing suffering," James Elder, the UN Children's Fund (UNICEF) spokesperson, told journalists at a press conference in Geneva on Friday.

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#### Israeli Airstrike on Jabaliya Camp

AL-JAZEERA: An Israeli airstrike targeted the Jabaliya camp in the northern Gaza Strip.

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#### WHO: Our Medical Stock in Gaza About to Run Out

WHO: The World Health Organization stated that its medical stock in Gaza is about to run out, and hospital equipment is collapsing due to overuse, adding that they have supplies ready for distribution and urgently need their entry into Gaza immediately.

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#### 19 Killed in Gaza Since Dawn Today

AL-JAZEERA (citing medical sources): 19 Palestinians have been killed in Israeli airstrikes on the Gaza Strip since dawn today.

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#### UNRWA: Israel Preventing Entry of Supplies to Gaza for Over 9 Weeks

UNRWA: The United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) stated that Israel has been preventing the entry of all supplies into Gaza for more than 9 weeks, adding that UNRWA has more than 3,000 aid trucks stuck outside Gaza, calling for the necessity of lifting the siege to allow the flow of humanitarian and commercial supplies into the Strip.

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# Hamas Welcomes Election of Pope Leo XIV, Urges Continued Solidarity with Gaza

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: Palestinian Resistance movement Hamas sent its congratulations to the new Pope Leo XIV and voiced hope that he would follow his predecessor Pope Francis in his solidarity with the Gaza Strip.

The late Pope Francis, who died last month aged 88, had been outspoken on the suffering in the Gaza Strip, which has been devastated by a 19-month genocidal war.

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## Ansarallah: We Carried Out Qualitative Operation Against Ben Gurion Airport

ANSARALLAH SPOKESPERSON: The military spokesperson for Ansarallah announced that they carried out a qualitative operation against Lod Airport, known as Ben Gurion Airport, with a ballistic missile, stating that the bombing of Lod Airport was carried out with a hypersonic ballistic missile that successfully hit its target and comes within the implementation of the air blockade decision on the enemy.

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## **Katz: We Will Respond Forcefully in Yemen**

ISRAELI MEDIA: Israeli Defense Minister Yisrael Katz stated that the Houthis continue to launch Iranian missiles at Israel, and they will respond forcefully in Yemen as promised.

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# Trump Meets Privately with Israel's Ron Dermer ahead of Middle East Visit - Report

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: US President Donald Trump met with Israeli Strategic Affairs Minister Ron Dermer at the White House on Thursday and discussed the nuclear talks with Iran as well as the war on Gaza, Axios reported, citing two sources briefed on the meeting.

The meeting was not made public by the US or Israel, Axios said, and "took place ahead of the fourth round of nuclear talks" between the US and Iran on Sunday in Oman. It also comes ahead of Trump's trip to the Middle East on Monday.

Fri, May 9, 5:50 PM (Palestine Time)

#### New Gaza Aid Plan: US Says Israel Will Oversee 'Security', Not Distribute Food

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: Israel will not be involved in the distribution of humanitarian aid in the Gaza Strip but will be part of "providing security," US ambassador to Israel Mike Huckabee reportedly said at a press conference on Friday.

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#### Palestinian Killed by Occupation Shells in Nablus

PRCS: The Palestinian Red Crescent told Al-Jazeera that a young man was killed after occupation forces fired shells at a house they were besieging in the city of Nablus in the West Bank.

Fri, May 9, 5:43 PM (Palestine Time)

#### Missile from Yemen Triggers Air Raid Sirens, Disrupts Air Traffic in Israel

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: A missile launched from Yemen triggered air raid sirens across Israel, while Ansarallah vows to continue operations against Israel in support of Gaza.

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#### **Lufthansa Extends Suspension of Flights to Israel**

ISRAELI MEDIA: Israel Army Radio reported that Lufthansa has extended the suspension of its flights to Israel until May 18.

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#### Air Raid Sirens Sounded in More Than 25 Cities and Towns

ISRAELI MEDIA: Yedioth Ahronoth reported that air raid sirens sounded in more than 25 Israeli cities and towns around Greater Tel Aviv as Israel attempted to intercept the missile launched from Yemen.

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## **US THAAD System Failed to Intercept Yemeni Missile**

ISRAELI MEDIA: Channel 14 reported that the US THAAD system failed for the second time in a week to intercept a missile launched from Yemen, while the Israeli Arrow system intercepted a missile launched from Yemen a short while ago.

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#### Israeli Woman Injured While Heading to Shelter

ISRAELI MEDIA: The Israeli ambulance service reported that an Israeli woman was injured while heading to a shelter after a rocket was fired from Yemen.

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#### Flights To and From Ben Gurion Airport Suspended

ISRAELI MEDIA: Yedioth Ahronoth reported that air traffic at Ben Gurion International Airport was temporarily halted after the Israeli military said it had identified a missile fired from Yemen and was attempting to intercept it.

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#### Sirens Sound in Israel following Missile Launch from Yemen

ISRAELI ARMY: The Israeli army announced that they had identified a missile launched from Yemen and were making attempts to intercept it, calling on Israelis to adhere to the instructions of the Home Front Command. The Israeli home front reported sirens sounding in Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, and dozens of other locations, while Israeli media reported intercepting a missile launched from Yemen.

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#### Hamas: Decision of Norwegian Trade Union Federation is Courageous Step

HAMAS STATEMENT: The Hamas Movement stated that they appreciate the decision of the Norwegian Confederation of Trade Unions to boycott the occupation and ban trade and investment with its companies, describing the decision as a courageous step that embodies a clear commitment to truth and justice and a victory for the rights of their people.

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#### Rafah Ambush Kills, Wounds 19 Israelis amid Military Mental Health Crisis

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: The Al-Qassam Brigades announced on Thursday that they had killed or wounded 19 Israeli soldiers in two separate operations in the al-Tannour neighborhood, east of Rafah in the southern Gaza Strip.

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## Norwegian Trade Union Confederation Votes on Extensive Plan to Boycott Israel

AL-JAZEERA: The Norwegian Trade Union Confederation voted at its general conference on an extensive plan to boycott Israel, noting that the boycott decision stipulates a ban on trade and investment with Israeli companies.

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#### Two Killed and Injured in Bombing South of Khan Yunis

AL-JAZEERA: Two people and the injury of others in an Israeli bombing of the Ma'an area, south of Khan Yunis.

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#### Israel Blows Up Residential Buildings in Rafah

AL-JAZEERA: The Israeli occupation blew up residential buildings in the city of Rafah, southern Gaza Strip.

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#### Killed in Israeli Bombing of Tel al-Hawa Neighborhood in Gaza

AL-JAZEERA: A Palestinian was killed in an Israeli drone bombing that targeted the Tel al-Hawa neighborhood, south of Gaza City.

Fri, May 9, 3:35 PM (Palestine Time)

#### **US Pressures Israel to Finalize Deal ahead of Trump's Middle East Tour**

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: The Israeli newspaper Haaretz reported on Friday, citing a well-informed source, that the US administration is exerting intense pressure on Israel to finalize an agreement with Hamas, ahead of President Donald Trump's upcoming visit to the region in mid-May.

According to the source, Washington considers the agreement "as a matter of great importance" and has warned Tel Aviv that "if Israel does not move forward together with the United States toward an agreement, it will be left on its own."

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#### Killed and Injured in Bombing East of Khan Yunis

AL-JAZEERA: One Palestinian was killed and others injured in an Israeli bombing of the Ma'an area, east of Khan Yunis city.

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#### All Gaza Bakeries Stopped

AL-JAZEERA: The head of the Gaza Bakeries Owners Association told Al Jazeera that all bakeries in the Strip have stopped working and have been closed for 40 days, adding that flour prices in the Strip have reached astronomical figures and charity kitchens in the Strip have closed their doors.

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## Trump May Only Visit Israel if Deal Reached

ISRAELI MEDIA: The Israel Hayom newspaper quoted sources as saying that US President Donald Trump may only visit Israel during his tour of the Middle East if a "hostage" deal is reached.

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# 11 Killed in Gaza Strip Since Dawn Today

AL-JAZEERA (citing medical sources): 11 Palestinians have been killed in Israeli airstrikes on the Gaza Strip since dawn today.

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#### German Chancellor Discusses Situation in Gaza with Netanyahu

AL-JAZEERA: A German government spokesman stated that Chancellor Friedrich Merz expressed his concern "about the fate of the hostages and the humanitarian situation in the Gaza Strip" during a phone call with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, adding that Merz "expressed his hope for the start of ceasefire negotiations soon."

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#### Head of Gaza Bakeries Association: Flour Will Run Out Completely within Days

AL-JAZEERA: The head of the Gaza Bakeries Owners Association said that flour in the Strip has run out by 50%, adding that expectations estimate it will run out completely within days.

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#### **US Defense Secretary Canceled Scheduled Visit to Israel**

ISRAELI MEDIA: The Israeli channel i24NEWS quoted a source as saying that US Defense Secretary Pete Hegseth canceled a scheduled visit to Israel next week.

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#### US Airlines Canceled All Flights to Israel until End of Next Week

ISRAELI MEDIA: The Israel Hayom newspaper reported that American Airlines, Delta, and United have canceled all their flights to Israel until the end of next week.

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#### Huckabee: Israel Will Not Participate in Aid Distribution, Its Role is Security

AL-JAZEERA: US Ambassador to Israel Mike Huckabee stated that Trump wants food distribution in Gaza to be safe and efficient and that Israel will not be a party to the distribution of aid in Gaza, with its role being security. He added that the biggest danger is a famine in Gaza, and there will be 400 aid distribution points, noting that many partners have agreed on a mechanism for aid distribution in the Gaza Strip, and private security companies will ensure the safety of workers and food distribution

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#### Eight Killed in Gaza Strip since Dawn

AL-JAZEERA: Eight Palestinians have been martyred in continuous Israeli bombing of the Gaza Strip since dawn today

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## Girl Injured by Occupation Fire in Al-Tuffah Neighborhood

AL-JAZEERA: A Palestinian girl was injured by Israeli drone fire in the Al-Tuffah neighborhood, east of Gaza City.

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#### Gaza Municipality: 75% of Water Wells Severely Damaged

GAZA MUNICIPALITY: The spokesperson for the Gaza Municipality, Asim al-Nabih, told Al Jazeera that 75% of the municipality's water wells have been severely damaged due to the Israeli aggression, noting that residents of the Strip do not receive a sufficient share of water daily and water only reaches less than 50% of the area of the Gaza Municipality.

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#### **Washington Pressures Israel to Reach Deal**

HAARETZ: The Israeli newspaper Haaretz quoted an informed source as saying that the US administration is exerting great pressure on Israel to reach a deal with the Hamas movement, coinciding with US President Donald Trump's visit to the region.

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#### **Settlers Attack Town near Hebron**

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: Illegal Israeli Jewish settlers attacked the village of Beit al-Roush, west of Dura city in the southern Hebron area of the West Bank.

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#### Israeli Airstrikes East of Rafah

AL-JAZEERA: Israeli forces launched airstrikes and artillery shelling this morning, Friday, on the eastern areas of Rafah city in the southern Gaza Strip, according to Al Jazeera's correspondent.

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#### Poll: Opposition Leads Netanyahu's Coalition if Elections Were Held

ISRAELI MEDIA: A poll by the Israeli newspaper Maariv showed that Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's coalition would win 48 seats in the Knesset, compared to 62 seats for opposition parties, if elections were held today.

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## Katz: Killing of Two Soldiers in Gaza Painful Event

ISRAELI DEFENSE MINISTER: Israeli Defense Minister Yisrael Katz said that the killing of two soldiers in Gaza is a "painful event," expressing his wishes for the wounded to recover.

Fri, May 9, 8:40 AM (Palestine Time)

#### Israeli Media: Trump Cut Off Communication With Netanyahu

ISRAELI MEDIA: Israeli media revealed that US President Donald Trump decided to cut off communication with Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, due to his suspicions that the latter is manipulating him.

Fri, May 9, 8:16 AM (Palestine Time)

# **Euro-Med Monitor: US-Israeli Plan Paves the Way for the Uprooting of Palestinians from Gaza**

STATEMENT: Rami Abdu, Chairman of the Euro-Mediterranean Human Rights Monitor:

- The US-Israeli plan to entrust the distribution of limited aid in Gaza to international companies is a calculated maneuver to legitimize starvation.
- The goal is not relief but to impose control and buy time for Israel, forcing residents to displacement by exhausting and starving them.
- · This is not a relief plan but a new form of siege, genocide, and forced displacement.
- · Israel has tasked an organization headed by Armenian David Babazian, accused of corruption, to participate in its agenda to displace and subjugate Palestinians through food.

Fri, May 9, 8:11 AM (Palestine Time)

#### Israeli Army Acknowledges Killing of Two Soldiers in Southern Gaza

STATEMENT: The Israeli army announced the killing of two soldiers from the Engineering and Golani Brigades and the injury of two officers and two soldiers in battles in the southern Gaza Strip yesterday, Thursday.

The Al-Qassam Brigades had announced yesterday that they inflicted casualties on two Israeli forces, totaling 19 soldiers killed and wounded, in the Al-Tanour neighborhood east of Rafah city in the southern Strip, as part of a series of operations they named "Gates of Hell."

Fri, May 9, 8:07 AM (Palestine Time)

#### Axios: Trump Discussed Iran and Gaza War with Dermer

US MEDIA: The American website Axios, citing two sources, reported that US President Donald Trump discussed nuclear talks with Iran and the war in Gaza with Israeli Strategic Affairs Minister Ron Dermer.

The site also reported, citing a source familiar with the matter, that Dermer met with US Secretary of State Marco Rubio on Wednesday and expressed Israel's concerns about nuclear talks with Iran.

Fri, May 9, 8:04 AM (Palestine Time)

# US Ambassador to Israel: We Won't Wait for Tel Aviv's Permission to Deal with Ansarallah

AL-JAZEERA: US Ambassador to Israel, Mike Huckabee, stated that Washington is not obligated to obtain permission from Tel Aviv to enter into any arrangements that would prevent Ansarallah from targeting its ships.

He added that Washington's actions against Ansarallah attacks on Israel will depend on whether American citizens have been harmed, following conversations with US President Donald Trump and Vice President J.D. Vance.