

LIVE BLOG: Genocide: 221 Journalists Killed | Witkoff: New Proposal – Day 600

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

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Israeli forces carried out airstrikes targeting Sana'a airport in Yemen and continued their bombardment across the Gaza Strip, killing and injuring scores of Palestinians.

Meanwhile, the Director of UNRWA criticized the US-backed aid distribution system in Gaza, calling it a “waste of resources” and a distraction from ongoing atrocities.

Since October 7, 2023, Israel has killed 54,056 and injured 123,129 others, the majority of whom are women and children, according to the Palestinian Ministry of Health in Gaza.

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Thu, May 29, 12:38 AM (Palestine Time)

UN: We Refuted Israeli Criticisms of UN Work in Gaza

AL-JAZEERA: UN Secretary-General Spokesperson Stéphane Dujarric told Al Jazeera that they want to see a return to a ceasefire and the entry of aid into Gaza. He stated that their colleagues risk their lives daily to bring in the small amount of aid that is allowed into Gaza.

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Netanyahu's Government Destroyed Israel's Image in the World

ISRAELI MEDIA: Former Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert called for the expulsion of “terrorists Smotrich and Ben Gvir” from the government. He urged the election of a new government capable of making peace and improving Israel's image in the world, stating that Netanyahu's government has destroyed Israel's image in the world.

Thu, May 29, 12:38 AM (Palestine Time)

221 Journalists Killed Since Start of Aggression on Gaza

GAZA GOVERNMENT MEDIA OFFICE: The number of killed journalists has risen to 221 since the beginning of the Israeli aggression on the Strip, following the death of journalist Moataz Mohammed Rajab, who worked for Al-Quds Today satellite channel.

Wed, May 28, 10:29 PM (Palestine Time)

One Killed, Injured in Israeli Shelling South of Khan Yunis

AL-JAZEERA: One person was killed and others were injured due to an Israeli drone targeting a group of Palestinians in the Qizan Abu Rashwan area, south of Khan Yunis in the southern Gaza Strip.

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Israeli Police Attempting to Evacuate Likud Headquarters from Protesters

ISRAELI MEDIA: Israeli Channel 12 reported that police have so far arrested 30 protesters who stormed the Likud party headquarters in Tel Aviv. Police are attempting to evacuate around 100 protesters who are holding a sit-in inside the Likud headquarters in Tel Aviv.

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Israel Opposes Providing Guarantees for War End

ISRAELI MEDIA: Yedioth Ahronoth reported that Witkoff is expected to deliver his new offer to Israel tonight and intends to pressure Israel to show flexibility on the issue of guarantees to end the war. However, Israel still opposes a text that would commit it to ending the war and objects to providing the guarantees that Witkoff offered to Hamas in this regard.

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Smotrich Announces Opposition to Reaching a Deal with Hamas

ISRAELI MEDIA: Israeli Finance Minister Bezalel Smotrich announced his opposition to any partial deal, stating, "I will not allow the current war to stop for a partial deal to pass." He called this "absolute madness" and asserted, "I will not allow such a thing to happen."

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Al-Qassam Broadcasts Footage of Targeting Israeli Soldiers

AL-QASSAM BRIGADES: The Al-Qassam Brigades broadcast footage documenting their targeting of an Israeli force fortified in a house and a Merkava tank in Beit Lahia, northern Gaza Strip, as part of a series of operations they named "Stones of David."

Wed, May 28, 8:16 PM (Palestine Time)

55 Killed in Occupation Raids on Gaza since Dawn

AL-JAZEERA: The Ministry of Health in Gaza reported that 55 Palestinians have been killed in Israeli occupation raids on several areas in the Gaza Strip since dawn today, Wednesday.

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Maariv: Ryanair Cancellation of Tel Aviv Flights a Painful Blow to Israelis

ISRAELI MEDIA: Maariv reported that Ryanair's cancellation of its flights to Tel Aviv is a painful blow to Israelis, as it is one of the low-cost airlines. Without it, airfare to Europe is expected to rise significantly. According to the company's data, since October 7, 2023, to date, it has incurred costs of 3.8 million euros due to flight cancellations.

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Cost of Israel's War on Gaza Exceeds \$40 Billion by End of 2024

ISRAELI MEDIA: The cost of the Israeli war on Gaza, including US aid, reached approximately 141.6 billion shekels (\$40.4 billion) by the end of 2024, according to data from the Accountant General in the Ministry of Finance. This total cost includes military expenditures, civilian expenses, and payments from the compensation fund for damages.

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Al-Qassam: We Sniped a Soldier Yesterday in Sheja'iyya

AL-QASSAM BRIGADES: The Al-Qassam Brigades announced that "Al-Qassam fighters yesterday, Tuesday, were able to snipe a Zionist soldier and directly hit him in Baghdad Street, east of Al-Shuja'iyya neighborhood, east of Gaza City."

Wed, May 28, 5:57 PM (Palestine Time)

Israeli Security Agencies Did Not Confirm Muhammad Sinwar's Assassination

ISRAELI MEDIA: Haaretz quoted an Israeli security source as saying that contrary to Netanyahu's statements, Israeli security agencies have not confirmed the assassination of Muhammad Sinwar.

Wed, May 28, 5:57 PM (Palestine Time)

Israeli Media: Tel Aviv Rejects Proposal Approved by Hamas

ISRAELI MEDIA: The Israeli Broadcasting Authority quoted officials as saying that there is no new American proposal for an exchange deal, and Hamas's response likely pertains to a "bahbah" proposal. Meanwhile, Channel 13 quoted an Israeli source stating that the proposal Hamas approved is unacceptable to Israel.

Wed, May 28, 5:57 PM (Palestine Time)

43 Killed in Gaza by Occupation Bombing since Dawn

GAZA HEALTH MINISTRY: 43 Palestinians have been killed in Israeli occupation raids on several areas in the Gaza Strip since dawn today.

Wed, May 28, 4:53 PM (Palestine Time)

ICC Chief Prosecutor was Preparing Arrest Warrants for Smotrich, Ben-Gvir - Report

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: The International Criminal Court's chief prosecutor, Karim Khan, was preparing to request arrest warrants for two far-right Israeli government ministers before going on leave over a sexual-assault allegations probe against him

Wed, May 28, 4:47 PM (Palestine Time)

Hammas Announces Details of Agreement with Witkoff

HAMAS STATEMENT: The Palestinian Resistance Movement Hamas stated that they are making great efforts to stop the war on the Gaza Strip, with the latest being an agreement reached with US Envoy Witkoff. The agreement with Witkoff is on a general framework that achieves a permanent ceasefire and a complete withdrawal of the occupation from Gaza.

Wed, May 28, 4:47 PM (Palestine Time)

Olmert: Israel Committing War Crimes in Gaza

ISRAELI MEDIA: Former Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert stated that Israel is committing war crimes in Gaza. He added that the call by ministers to starve and exterminate the residents of Gaza is a call to a war crime, without the Prime Minister commenting on it.

Wed, May 28, 4:47 PM (Palestine Time)

Cost of Aggression on Gaza Reached 142 Billion Shekels

ISRAELI MEDIA: Calcalist reported that the cost of the Israeli aggression on the Gaza Strip reached approximately 142 billion shekels by the end of 2024, including US aid. Net expenditures (without US aid) amounted to 121.3 billion shekels, with about 96.4 billion shekels in security expenses and 24.9 billion shekels in civilian expenses.

Wed, May 28, 4:47 PM (Palestine Time)

Three Killed in Shelling on Tent in Al-Mawasi, Khan Yunis

AL-JAZEERA: Three Palestinians were killed in an Israeli shelling of a tent housing displaced people in the Al-Mawasi area west of Khan Yunis city.

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"Gaza Humanitarian Foundation" Temporarily Suspends Operations

REUTERS: Reuters quoted the Gaza Aid Distribution Foundation stating the temporary suspension of distribution due to “riots and non-compliance by some individuals.” They added that they are working to organize matters to ensure safety and order.

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36 Killed in Gaza since Dawn

GAZA HEALTH MINISTRY: 36 Palestinians have been killed in Israeli shelling on the Strip since dawn today.

Wed, May 28, 4:42 PM (Palestine Time)

Golani Brigade in Morocco: How the Rabat Regime is Complicit in Gaza Genocide

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: Morocco deepens military and trade ties with Israel—even hosting units accused of Gaza war crimes—despite nationwide protests against the regime’s complicity in the genocide.

Read the latest analysis by Robert Inlakesh.

Wed, May 28, 2:16 PM (Palestine Time)

Journalist's Family Killed, Entire Neighborhoods Flattened by Israel

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: At least 14 Palestinians were killed in Israeli shelling across the northern and central parts of the enclave since midnight.

Eight people were killed and several others injured when Israeli airstrikes targeted the home of journalist Osama al-Arbid's family in the Saftawi neighborhood in northern Gaza.

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Injured in Israeli Raid on Nuseirat Camp

AL-JAZEERA: Casualties were reported in an Israeli raid on Nuseirat camp in the central Gaza Strip.

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Israeli Airstrike on South Lebanon Town

AL-JAZEERA: An Israeli drone strike targeted the vicinity of Al-Abbasiyah town in southern Lebanon.

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20% of Gaza Hospitals Cannot Provide Ambulance Services

AL-JAZEERA: The Director-General of the Palestinian Ministry of Health in Gaza told Al Jazeera that only 17 hospitals in Gaza are currently partially operational. He added that 20% of hospitals cannot provide ambulance services in Gaza, and that the occupation has arrested over 360 of their medical staff in Gaza.

Wed, May 28, 1:47 PM (Palestine Time)

European Union Calls for Sustainable Ceasefire in Gaza

AL-JAZEERA: The European Union Spokesperson for Foreign Affairs reiterated an urgent call for immediate and unimpeded aid delivery in Gaza. They called for a sustainable ceasefire and the release of hostages in Gaza, re-emphasizing the necessity of not politicizing or militarizing humanitarian aid and affirming the UN's role in aid distribution.

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UN Coordinator: Gaza Being Erased Before Our Eyes

UNITED NATIONS: The Head of the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs in the Palestinian Territories (OCHA) stated that "Gaza is being erased before our eyes."

Wed, May 28, 1:47 PM (Palestine Time)

Ansarallah: Israeli Enemy Aircraft Launched 4 Raids on Sanaa Airport

YEMENI MEDIA: Israeli enemy aircraft launched 4 raids on Sanaa Airport, targeting a Yemeni Airways aircraft and the customs building at Sanaa International Airport.

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Al-Qassam Targets Israeli Vehicle in Khan Yunis

AL-QASSAM BRIGADES: The Al-Qassam Brigades stated that they targeted an occupation armored personnel carrier (APC) with a shell and observed helicopters landing for evacuation east of Khan Yunis last Monday.

Wed, May 28, 11:08 AM (Palestine Time)

Katz: Air Force Targeted Sanaa Airport

ISRAELI MEDIA: Israeli Defense Minister Yisrael Katz stated that the Israeli air force recently bombed targets in Sanaa.

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UNRWA: US-Backed Aid Distribution System is Waste of Resources

UNRWA: UNRWA Director Philippe Lazzarini stated that the US-backed aid distribution system in Gaza is a waste of resources and a distraction from the atrocities. He highlighted that UNRWA's financial situation is dire and urgently needs support to continue operations after next month.

Wed, May 28, 11:08 AM (Palestine Time)

Casualties from Shelling in Southern Gaza Strip

AL-JAZEERA: Two people were injured by Israeli drone fire in the Al-Mawasi area west of Rafah city, southern Gaza Strip. Others were also injured by Israeli army fire in the Qizan Rashwan area south of Khan Yunis city, southern Gaza Strip.

Wed, May 28, 11:08 AM (Palestine Time)

23 Killed in Gaza since Dawn

GAZA HEALTH MINISTRY: 23 Palestinians have been killed in Israeli shelling on the Gaza Strip since dawn today.

Wed, May 28, 11:08 AM (Palestine Time)

Palestinian Woman Killed Near Aid Distribution Center in Rafah

AL-JAZEERA: A Palestinian woman and the injury of others by occupation forces' fire near an aid distribution center in the Mawragh area north of Rafah city.

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Four Killed in Shelling on Jabaliya Camp

AL-JAZEERA: Four Palestinians were killed in an Israeli shelling on Jabaliya camp, northern Gaza Strip.

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UNRWA Demands Aid Entry to Gaza

UNRWA: The United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNRWA) stated that humanitarian aid must be allowed full access to Gaza, and the population cannot wait any longer.

Wed, May 28, 11:08 AM (Palestine Time)

One Killed by Israeli Drone Fire East of Khan Yunis

AL-JAZEERA: A Palestinian was killed by Israeli drone fire in the town of Abasan, east of Khan Yunis city, southern Gaza Strip.

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Protests in Israel Demand Return of Captives

ISRAELI MEDIA: A demonstration took place in front of President Isaac Herzog's residence demanding the return of the captives.

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NYT: Israel May Decide to Strike Iran Without Warning

US MEDIA:

The New York Times reported that Israeli officials told their American counterparts in April that they are preparing to attack Iranian nuclear sites. US intelligence detected Israeli preparations for an attack, forcing the Director of National Intelligence to travel to Tel Aviv.

The report suggests that the threat of an Israeli attack prompted President Donald Trump to speak with Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, who did not deny it. The Trump administration is open to a joint declaration of principles with Iran to deter an Israeli strike.

The article indicates that Israel may decide to strike Iran without prior warning. Israeli officials believe Washington will have no choice but to assist Israel during a strike on Iran, and that Netanyahu ordered his officials to plan a strike on Iran after meeting Trump in April.

Wed, May 28, 8:04 AM (Palestine Time)

Israeli Artillery Strikes Qarara

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: Al-Aqsa Satellite Channel reported that artillery shelling targeted the town of Qarara, north of Khan Yunis city in the southern Gaza Strip.

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Settlers Torch Agricultural Fields Near Ramallah

PALESTINIAN MEDIA/SOCIAL MEDIA: Settlers torched agricultural fields overnight in the village of Al-Mughayyir, northeast of Ramallah in the central West Bank.

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Israeli Investigation Reveals Failures in October 7 Defense at Kerem Shalom

ISRAELI MEDIA: The Israeli Broadcasting Corporation, citing an Israeli army investigation into the October 7, 2023 attack, reported the following findings:

- Our forces failed in the mission of defending the Kerem Shalom area.
- The command and control system collapsed after the fall of the Southern Brigade commander.
- The chain of command was damaged, and there was difficulty in launching counterattacks.

- At the start of the attack, there was a lack of coordination in defending the settlements.
- The enemy breached 11 gaps in the fence in the Kerem Shalom sector alone.

Wed, May 28, 4:41 AM (Palestine Time)

Eight Fatalities in Airstrike on Journalist's Home in Northern Gaza

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: The killing of eight individuals and injuries to others in an Israeli strike that targeted the home of journalist Osama Al-Arbid's family in the Safatwi area, northern Gaza.

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Fatalities in Jabaliya Airstrike, Mostly Children

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: Al-Aqsa Satellite Channel reported Palestinian fatalities and injuries, mostly children, in an Israeli airstrike that targeted a home in Jabaliya al-Nazla, northern Gaza Strip, at dawn today, Wednesday.