# LIVE BLOG: Resistance Agrees to Ceasefire Proposal as Israel Massacres Dozens in Gaza – Day 684

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

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A Hamas source told Al Jazeera on Monday that the movement has agreed to a proposal from Egyptian and Qatari mediators for a 60-day ceasefire in the Gaza Strip.

Meanwhile, Israeli forces continued to massacre scores of Palestinians throughout Gaza.

Since October 7, 2023, Israel has killed 62,064 and injured 156,573 others, the majority of whom are women and children, according to the Palestinian Ministry of Health in Gaza.

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### Yedioth Ahronoth: Netanyahu Wants a Comprehensive Deal

YEDIOTH AHRONOTH (citing sources) close to the Israeli Prime Minister:

Netanyahu held consultations in recent hours following Hamas' response.

The Prime Minister only wants a comprehensive deal.

Netanyahu does not want a partial deal, although he has not completely ruled out the possibility.

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## Katz Meets Zamir to Approve Gaza City Occupation Plan

#### **ISRAELI MEDIA:**

Israeli Defense Minister Israel Katz and Chief of Staff Eyal Zamir approved plans to occupy Gaza City.

The Israeli army decided to bring forward the call-up of 50,000 reserve soldiers.

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## White House: Trump Wants to See an End to the War in Gaza

WHITE HOUSE:

We continue discussing the ceasefire proposal accepted by Hamas.

It is no coincidence that Hamas accepted the ceasefire proposal after President Trump's strong post on "Truth Social."

President Trump is working to end the war in Ukraine and also wants to see an end to the war in Gaza.

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## Katz: Increasing Defense Budget Enables Army to Face Iran

ISRAELI MEDIA (citing Israel Katz):

The decision to increase the ministry's budget is of great importance amid unprecedented security challenges.

The defense budget increase will enable the army to face threats, foremost among them Iran, and achieve the goals of the war in Gaza.

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### Al-Qassam Declares Destruction of Israeli Bulldozer in Gaza

AL-QASSAM BRIGADES: We destroyed an Israeli military bulldozer the afternoon before yesterday in Al-Mansara playground, south of Al-Zaytoun neighborhood, Gaza City.

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# Norway's Wealth Fund Excludes More Six Israeli Firms over Gaza, West Bank 'Crisis'

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: Norway's sovereign wealth fund has decided to exclude six more Israeli firms from its portfolio, it announced on Monday, citing the "extraordinary" circumstances in Gaza and the occupied West Bank.

The \$2.2 trillion Norges Bank Investment Management fund – the world's largest wealth management fund – had already excluded 17 Israeli firms, with a total value of \$143.3 million, from its portfolio, which is worth some \$2.24 billion, according to recent figures, the Anadolu news agency reported.

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## Medical Source: 46 Killed by Israeli Fire in Gaza Today

AL-JAZEERA: Medical sources in Gaza hospitals reported that 46 Palestinians have been killed by Israeli army fire in various areas of the Gaza Strip since dawn today.

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### **UN Humanitarian Affairs: Nasser Hospital Overwhelmed with Patients**

OCHA: The UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs said every corner of Nasser Hospital in Gaza is overwhelmed with patients in desperate need of medical care.

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## Salam: Netanyahu's 'Greater Israel' Remarks Threat to Arab Security

AL-JAZEERA: Lebanese Prime Minister Nawaf Salam: Netanyahu's statements about so-called Greater Israel represent a direct threat to Arab national security.

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#### UN: Half of World's Humanitarian Worker Deaths Occurred in Gaza

AP (citing OCHA): The UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs reported that 383 humanitarian workers were killed worldwide in 2024, nearly half of them in Gaza.

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## Palestinian and His Son Injured in Settler Attack in Hebron

AL-JAZEERA: A Palestinian man and his son were injured after being assaulted by settlers in Hebron, southern West Bank.

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## Al-Quds Brigades Announce Destruction of Israeli Vehicle in Al-Zaytoun

AL-QUDS BRIGADES: Two days ago, we destroyed a Zionist vehicle by detonating an explosive device in Al-Zaytoun neighborhood, south of Gaza City, and we observed evacuation operations for soldiers.

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#### Number of Journalists Killed in Gaza Rises to 239

GAZA GOVERNMENT MEDIA OFFICE: The Government Media Office in Gaza reported that the number of journalists killed since the beginning of the genocidal war on the Strip has risen to 239.

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#### **Gaza Death Toll Rises**

GAZA HEALTH MINISTRY:

60 Palestinians killed and 343 wounded by Israeli fire in the past 24 hours.

Among the victims were 31 people waiting for humanitarian aid.

This brings the death toll since October 7, 2023, to 62,064, with 156,573 injured.

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# Qatari Foreign Ministry: Still Awaiting Israeli Response to Hamas Approval

QATARI FM SPOKESMAN (to Al-Jazeera):

The Prime Minister and Foreign Minister attended ceasefire talks in Alamein yesterday.

Qatar and Egypt received Hamas's response to the ceasefire proposal.

We are still waiting for Israel's response.

No set timeframe, but Israel is reportedly considering it; we hope for a quick and positive answer.

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#### Child Killed in Israeli Strike on Khan Yunis

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: Nasser Medical Complex confirmed that a child was killed in an Israeli strike on the city of Khan Younis in southern Gaza Strip.

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## Netanyahu Attacks Australian Prime Minister

ISRAELI MEDIA:

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu attacked Australia amid a diplomatic crisis following the cancellation of visas for diplomats.

Netanyahu's office said, "History will remember Australian Prime Minister Anthony Albanese as a weak politician who betrayed Israel and abandoned the Jews of Australia," in his words.

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#### Death Toll from Starvation Rises to 266 in Gaza

AL-JAZEERA: Munir Al-Bursh, Director General of the Palestinian Ministry of Health in Gaza, said the Strip is facing a complete health genocide, announcing three new deaths due to lack of food. This raises the toll of starvation victims to 266, including 112 children.

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# Director of Medical Relief: Lack of Medicines in Gaza Prevents Us from Providing Health Services

AL-JAZEERA: Mohammed Abu Afsh, Director of Medical Relief in Gaza, told Al Jazeera that medical teams are no longer able to provide adequate healthcare services to patients due to the severe shortage of medicines.

Tue, Aug 19, 12:30 PM (Palestine Time)

# Palestinian Resistance Backs Ceasefire as US Pushes Gaza Plan — All the Details

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: Palestinian factions have agreed to a new proposal for a 60-day ceasefire in the Gaza Strip tied to a partial prisoner exchange, while Israel has yet to announce its position.

The development comes as Israeli media revealed details of a separate US-backed plan aimed at ending the war through a multi-phase framework that would eventually place Gaza under an internationally supported administration.

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## Hamas Calls for Pressure on Israel to Stop Genocide in Gaza

HAMAS STATEMENT: The Palestinian Resistance Movement Hamas, in a statement marking World Humanitarian Day, called for pressure on the occupation to open the crossings and stop the crime of genocide and starvation in the Gaza Strip.

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## UNRWA: We Lost 360 Employees in Gaza During the War

UNRWA: Philippe Lazzarini, Commissioner-General of UNRWA, wrote on X that the agency remains committed to its mission until a just solution to the plight of Palestinian refugees is reached, and until the decades-long conflict ends through diplomatic and peaceful means.

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#### **Death Toll Rises to 21 Since Dawn in Gaza**

AL-JAZEERA: Medical sources in Gaza confirmed that the death toll from Israeli fire since dawn has risen to 21 across various areas of the Strip, including two who were waiting for aid.

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### Families of Israeli Prisoners Block Road in Tel Aviv Demanding Swap Deal

ISRAELI MEDIA: Israeli Channel 12 reported that families of Israeli prisoners, along with supporters, blocked Ayalon Street in Tel Aviv, demanding a prisoner exchange deal.

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## Heavy Gunfire in Al-Tuffah Neighborhood, Gaza City

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: Palestinian sources reported heavy gunfire from Israeli occupation vehicles in areas of the Al-Tuffah neighborhood, eastern Gaza City.

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#### German Police Assault Pro-Gaza Protesters in Berlin

AL-JAZEERA: German police violently assaulted protesters at a pro-Gaza rally near the Chancellery in Berlin on Monday evening.

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# Rights Groups: Halting Gaza Visas Hurts Wounded Children

AL-JAZEERA: The US-based charity Heal Palestine and other rights groups criticized the US State Department's decision to halt entry visas for Palestinians from Gaza, saying the move would harm wounded children seeking treatment under short-term US visas.

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# Israeli Artillery Bombards Jabaliya Town

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: Palestinian sources reported that Israeli occupation forces shelled Jabalia town in northern Gaza with artillery fire.

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#### 5 Killed Southeast of Deir al-Balah

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: A medical source at Al-Aqsa Martyrs Hospital reported that five Palestinians were killed by Israeli occupation forces southeast of Deir al-Balah, central Gaza Strip.

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## Israeli Drones Fire at Homes South of Gaza City

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: Local sources reported that Israeli occupation drones fired at Palestinian homes in the Al-Sabra neighborhood, south of Gaza City.

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## Israeli Airstrikes on Al-Amal Neighborhood

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: Israeli warplanes carried out airstrikes on the Al-Amal neighborhood, northwest of Khan Yunis, in the southern Gaza Strip.

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### Israeli Officer and Soldier Wounded in Northern Gaza

ISRAELI MEDIA: Israeli media reported that an officer and a soldier were moderately wounded during clashes in northern Gaza after being targeted by sniper fire.

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# Two Palestinians Killed in Israeli Strike on Sabra Neighborhood

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: Two Palestinians were killed in an Israeli bombing that targeted the vicinity of the Islamic Complex in the Sabra neighborhood, south of Gaza City. The bodies of the two victims were transferred to Al-Shifa Hospital in the same neighborhood.

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### Israeli Airstrike North of Khan Yunis

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: Israeli warplanes launched an airstrike on Monday evening targeting an area north of Khan Yunis, in the southern Gaza Strip.

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# Faith amid Genocide: How Gaza's Muslims and Christians Endure Side by Side

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: Throughout the genocidal war, churches served as refuge not only for Christians, but for Muslims as well — just like mosques, which Israel has largely destroyed, writes <u>Mariam Mushtaha</u>.

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#### Smotrich Warns of Israeli Defeat if War Ends with Dea

ISRAELI MEDIA: Israeli Finance Minister Bezalel Smotrich warned that accepting a partial deal with the Palestinian Resistance Movement Hamas would mean abandoning half of the captives in Gaza. He said such a deal could lead to the war ending in Israel's defeat.

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# Families of Israeli Captives: We Will Not Let Netanyahu Sabotage Another Deal ISRAELI MEDIA:

The Israeli Families of Captives Forum:

We demand that Netanyahu immediately conduct negotiations to release all captives.

The people stand with the captives and will bring them home, and will not allow Netanyahu to sabotage another agreement.

The living captives are in a critical condition, and the dead captives may disappear forever.

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## Israel Received Hamas' Response to Ceasefire Proposal

ISRAELI MEDIA: Israeli Channel 12 reported that Israel has received Hamas' response to the ceasefire proposal for Gaza. This came hours after Hamas informed mediators from Qatar and Egypt of its approval of the proposal submitted on Sunday.

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## Hamas Says Yes to Ceasefire Proposal, Opening Path to Wider Agreement

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: A Hamas source told Al Jazeera on Monday that the movement has agreed to a proposal from Egyptian and Qatari mediators for a 60-day ceasefire in the Gaza Strip. The plan includes the release of Israeli prisoners in two phases, the return of bodies, and a path toward a comprehensive agreement to end the war.

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# Ben Gvir Warns Netanyahu Against Surrender to Hamas

ISRAELI MEDIA: Israeli National Security Minister Itamar Ben Gvir warned that if Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu surrenders to Hamas and halts the war, it would be a "tragedy for generations and a lost historic opportunity."

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# Israel Launches Mass Arrests, Raids in West Bank amid Ongoing Settler Attacks

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: The Israeli occupation army launched a new campaign of large-scale incursions and arrests across the occupied West Bank at dawn on Monday, as illegal Israeli Jewish settlers escalated their attacks.