

PARIS (Dispatches) -- Iraqi Prime Minister Muhammad Shia al-Sudani has warned that "any tension between the U.S. and Iran, any tension between the regional countries, will reflect on Iraq negatively".

Expressing hope that a new meeting involving Saudi Arabia and Iran will take place in Baghdad "in the coming weeks", he said the two countries were "keen to resume these meetings under our (Iraqi) auspices".

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TEHRAN -- The death toll from the coronavirus in Iran stayed unchanged at 144,744 with zero deaths for the third consecutive day, Iran's Health Ministry announced on Saturday.

However, 123 new cases of infection with COVID-19 were found over the past 24 hours, 74 of whom were hospitalized, it added. The ministry noted that 7,337,379 patients out of a total of 7,564,046 infected people have recovered or been discharged from hospitals.

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## Heroic Operation Augurs End of Israel


## Iranian Naval Flotilla Sailing in Latin America



## Iran's Women Futsal Team Thrashes Tajikistan at 2023 CAFA Championship



## Yemen's Ansarullah: Qur'an Burning Amounts to Declaration of War Against Muslims



## Zionists Pay Heavy Price for Jenin Massacre

OCCUPIED AL-QUDS (Dispatches) -- A shooting at a settlement in the Silwan neighborhood in occupied East Al-Quds on Saturday wounded two Zionist settlers.

The City of David settlement is located within the predominantly Palestinian district of Silwan, on the southern side of Al-Aqsa Mosque. Security sources told Haaretz the suspect is a 13-year-old resident of the area, and that he was shot but not killed. Authorities have yet to reveal the identity of the shooter.

Those wounded are a 22-year old off-duty Israeli soldier and his 47-year old father, the newspaper added. They have both been hospitalized.

The occupying regime's security services raised the security level to the highest alert after the shooting, which was the second in two days after a fatal shooting on Friday killed seven Zionists outside a building used as a synagogue in the settlement of Neve Yaakov in East Al-Quds.

Israeli security forces martyred Friday's shooter, a Palestinian, and detained 42 members of his family.

Later on Saturday, a senior Israeli official was quoted as saying that hardline prime minister Netanyahu would bring up a series of repressive measures for approval in the cabinet the evening.

The proposed measures, Ravid said, include a law to deport families of Palestinians involved in retaliatory operations and sealing of their homes, arresting their family members, and speeding up the granting of gun permits to Zionists.

The shootings on Friday and Saturday came a day after Israeli forces martyred 10 Palestinians in the West Bank, nine of them during a large-scale raid in the Jenin refugee camp.

The occupying regime's troops have martyred 31 people this month in a sign of continued growing violence against Palestinians.

Last year, more Palestinians were martyred by Zionist forces in the West Bank and East Al-Quds than in any single calendar year since the Second Intifada.

At least 220 people were martyred in Israeli attacks across the occupied territories in 2022, including 48 children. Of the total toll, 167 were from the West Bank and East Al-Quds, and 53 were from the Gaza Strip.

Hamas said in a statement that the operation at the synagogue was "a natural response to the Jenin massacre, the desecration of the blessed Al-Aqsa Mosque

compound, and escalating Israeli crimes and aggression against our nation.

It conveys the message to the occupying regime that Palestinians' willpower cannot be undermined, their determination is steely, and their resistance is intensifying despite all the pains and sacrifices they are going through", the resistance movement said.

"Our people will continue to strike the enemy's sites, barracks, and settlements. Resistance will remain the viable option of our people until full liberation of our land, sacred sites and restoration of all our legitimate rights. The qualitative operation took place at the illegal settlement of Nabi Yacov built on lands belonging to the Palestinian village of Beit Hanina."

Islamic Jihad also praised the operation, saying in a statement that it "came at the right time and place to avenge the blood of martyrs in the Jenin camp and the West Bank. It was a natural and legitimate response to the crimes of the occupying regime, and violation of our sanctities."

"The operation sent the strong message to the Israeli regime that the resistance front is fully prepared; it will not take long for our people to retaliate, and that the Tel Aviv regime's heinous crimes will not go unpunished at all," it said.

The al-Quds Brigades, which is the military wing of the Islamic Jihad movement, stated that such operations express "the unity among different strata of the Palestinian society, the strong willpower of the Palestinian nation, and total rejection of the Israeli occupation."

It added that the East al-Quds operation is "a natural and clear response to the presence of Israeli forces on the land of Palestine, and their brutal practices against Palestinian people in Jenin, Nablus, Gaza, Al-Quds and elsewhere."

The Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP) said the East al-Quds operation is the embodiment of the willpower of the Palestinian nation in confronting the Israeli occupation.

The Popular Resistance Committees (PRC) said the operation represents a practical and effective response to the crimes of the Israeli regime in Jenin camp and elsewhere across the Palestinian territories.

For its part, the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine said in a statement that the heroic operation in East al-Quds marks the beginning of a new phase of comprehensive popular resistance against Israel.

## Leader Visits Internal Capabilities Exhibition



This combination of pictures shows Ayatollah Khamenei visiting an exhibition of Iranian-made technological and knowledge-based products in Tehran Saturday.

TEHRAN -- Leader of the Islamic Revolution Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei on Saturday visited an exhibition where Iranian-made technological and knowledge-based products are on display.

The exhibition is held at the Imam Khomeini Husseinieh in Tehran. At the exhibition, Ayatollah Khamenei whose visit lasted three hours was briefed on Iran's latest technological and industrial achievements as well.

The products displayed there include machinery manufactured by various Iranian factories in such fields as mining, aerospace and satellite, cars, agriculture and food, textile, railways, water management plans, information and communications technology, electricity industries, power plants, dam construction, etc.

Iran's ministers of industries, energy, oil, and communications also attended the exhibition during Ayatollah Khamenei's visit.

## Video of Black Man's Murder Sparks Protests in U.S.

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (Reuters) --Tyre Nichols repeatedly cried, "Mom! Mom!" as the five Memphis police officers now charged with the Black motorist's murder pummeled him with kicks, punches and baton blows after a Jan. 7 traffic stop, video released by the city on Friday showed.

The video from police body-worn cameras and a camera mounted on a utility pole were posted online a day after the officers were charged with second-degree murder, assault, kidnapping, official misconduct and oppression in Nichols' death.

The officers, all Black, were dismissed from the police department last week. Nichols, 29, was hospitalized and died of his injuries three days after the confrontation in the city where he lived with his mother and stepfather and worked at FedEx.

The four video clips chronicle an aggressive escalation of violence directed at a motorist who police had initially said they pulled over for reckless driving. The police chief has since said the cause for the stop has not been substantiated.

The beatings appeared to continue far beyond a point where Nichols could pose any threat to police. At one stage, two officers hold him upright as another punches him repeatedly in the face, while other officers on the

scene stand by without intervening.

The ordeal captured in the video has transformed Nichols, the father of a 4-year-old, into the latest face of a U.S. racial justice movement galvanized by the 2020 killing of George Floyd at the hands of police in Minneapolis.

Nichols has been described by friends and family as an affable, accomplished skateboarder who recently enrolled in a photography class. Raised in Sacramento, California, he moved to the Memphis area before the coronavirus pandemic.

Shelby County Sheriff Floyd Bonner said after seeing the video he had "concerns about two deputies who appeared on the scene" following Nichols' arrest. Those deputies have been relieved of duty pending the outcome of an internal investigation, he said on Twitter.

After the video's release Friday evening, several dozen demonstrators in Memphis marched along Interstate 55, shutting down traffic near a bridge that crosses the Mississippi River into Arkansas.

Three people were arrested for damaging a police vehicle during protests in Times Square, a spokesperson for the New York City Police Department said. Demonstrations appeared largely peaceful in other cities, including

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## Senior U.S. General Sees War With China in 2025

WASHINGTON (NBC News) -- A four-star Air Force general has sent a memo to the officers he commands that predicts the U.S. will be at war with China in two years and tells them to get ready to prep by firing "a clip" at a target, and "aim for the head."

In the memo, Gen. Mike Minihan, head of Air Mobility Command, said, "I hope I am wrong. My gut tells me will fight in 2025." Air Mobility Command has nearly 50,000 service members and nearly 500 planes and is responsible for transport and refueling.

Minihan said in the memo that because both Taiwan and the U.S. will have presidential elections in 2024, the U.S. will be "distracted," and Chinese President Xi Jinping will have an opportunity to move on Taiwan.

He lays out his goals for preparing, including building "a fortified, ready, integrated, and agile Joint Force Maneuver Team ready to fight and win inside the first island chain."

The signed memo is addressed to all air wing commanders in Air Mobility Command and other Air Force operational commanders, and orders them to report all major efforts to prepare for the China fight to Minihan by Feb. 28.

During the month of February, he directs all AMC personnel to "fire a clip into a 7-meter target with the full understanding that unrepentant lethality matters most. Aim for the head."

He also orders all personnel to update their records and emergency contacts.

In March he directs all AMC personnel to "consider their personal affairs and whether a visit should be scheduled with their servicing base legal office to ensure they are legally ready and prepared."

Minihan urges them to accept some risk in training. "Run deliberately, not recklessly," he writes, but later adds, "If you are comfortable in your approach to training, then you are not taking enough risk."

He also provides a window into one capability the U.S. is considering for possible conflict with China -- commercial drone swarms. He directs the KC-135 units to prepare for "delivering 100 off-the-shelf size and type UAVs from a single aircraft."

After publication of this article, a defense department official said, "These comments are not representative of the department's view on China."

An AMC spokesperson confirmed in a statement Friday that the memo is real: "This is an authentic internal memo from General Minihan addressed to his subordinate command teams. His order builds on last year's foundational efforts by Air Mobility Command to ready the Mobility Air Forces for future conflict, should deterrence fail."

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