

DOHA (Dispatches) – Iran's Defense Minister Brigadier General Muhammad Reza Gharraei Ashtiani touched down here to hold crucial meetings with Qatari defense and military officials. His visit coincides with the opening ceremony of the 8th Maritime Defense Capabilities Exhibition (Dimex), a global gathering featuring participation from 80 countries. During this period, Iran's ministry of defense plans to exhibit its maritime products and accomplishments.

TEHRAN – Iran has designated Greater Tumb in the Persian Gulf as a city due to its crucial role in providing a wide range of services to residents of the area, an official in Hormuzgan province said Monday.

Muhammad Javad Khojasteh announced that according to the studies, Shamil village and the village of Greater Tumb are not located in the confines of any city, so its conversion to a city has been declared unhindered.

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Yemeni Forces Target Israeli Ship in 'Direct' Hit

SANAA (Dispatches) – A senior Yemeni official on Monday warned the U.S., UK and the Zionist regime that new surprises are on the way.

Muhammad Ali al-Houthi, a member of Yemen's Supreme Political Council, wrote on his personal account in X that different options are being considered and surprises are on the way to provide support for the oppressed people of Gaza.

Noting that they have high patience, he said that they attach no significance to "dwarfs".

Yemen began a string of attacks against Israeli and Israel-linked ships in the Red Sea several weeks ago in retaliation to the occupying regime's crimes against Gazan people.

The Arab country has pledged to keep its maritime siege against the Zionist regime as long as the war in Gaza continues.

An Israeli-owned container ship was targeted in the Gulf of Aden, media sources said on Monday.

Yemen's military spokesman Yahya Saree said the country's navy carried out a military operation in the southeast of Aden, in which the Israeli ship "MSC SKY" was targeted.

"Our navy targeted this ship in the Gulf of Aden by using appropriate sea missiles, and by the grace of God, the attack was accurate and direct," he said.

He said the attack took place hours after a unique operation was carried out using a number of ballistic missiles and drones against several American warships in the Red Sea.

Reuters cited the British maritime security company Embry as saying that the Liberia-flagged and Israel-affiliated ship was targeted 88 miles away from Aden.

Embry stated that it is not clear if this ship was directly targeted or if it was damaged by explosions nearby.

The United Kingdom Maritime Trade Operations (UKMTO) agency said that it had received a report of an incident 91 nautical miles southeast of the Yemeni city of Aden.

On Saturday, a cargo ship abandoned in the southern Red Sea after an attack by Ye-

meni forces sank after days of taking on water, according to officials.

The Belize-flagged, United Kingdom-owned cargo ship, was carrying more than 41,000 tonnes of fertilizer and had leaked oil for several days after it came under attack.

Yemen's internationally recognized government, in a statement on Saturday, said the ship sank "last night, coinciding with weather factors and strong winds at sea".

Rubymar's sinking marks the first vessel lost since Yemen began targeting commercial shipping linked to the Zionist regime in November. The ship was hit by missiles on February 18 while sailing through the Bab el-Mandeb Strait. The crew then abandoned the vessel and evacuated to safety.

Ansarullah – which says it has been targeting ships linked to Israel, the U.S. and the UK in an attempt to pressure them to end Israel's war on Gaza – claimed responsibility for the attack.

Muhammad Ali al-Houthi said that the group held UK Prime Minister Rishi Sunak and

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Hezbollah Hits Israeli Barracks With New Warning



Smoke rises from an Israeli army position which was attacked by Hezbollah fighters near Alma al-Shaab a Lebanese border village, Oct. 15, 2023.

BEIRUT (Dispatches) – Hezbollah said Monday it conducted a fresh reprisal attack against an Israeli military position in a show of support for the Palestinians in the Gaza Strip who are subjected to a genocidal war by the occupying regime.

In a statement, the Lebanese resistance group said it had fired artillery toward the Zarit barracks and its vicinity in the occupied

territories. It added that the operation was conducted in solidarity with the "steadfast Palestinian people" in the besieged Gaza and their "brave and honorable resistance."

On Sunday, Hezbollah launched similar operations against several Israeli military sites, including Jal al-Alam and a-Malikiyah, as well as the surveillance system stationed at the Metulla base.

The resistance group also said that it had foiled attempted Israeli military incursions into the villages of Rmeish and Ramia in southern Lebanon.

Hezbollah said that its fighters detonated a large explosive device against Israeli forces from the Golani Brigade, who had attempted to infiltrate into Ramia, and targeted them with several artillery shells.

Fighters from the Lebanese Hezbollah resistance movement have targeted the Israeli Jal al-Alam military base with a heavy-caliber Burkan (Volcano) missile.

The fighters, it added, also targeted Israeli soldiers with rocket weapons near Rmeish.

Hezbollah and Israel have been exchanging fire since early October, shortly after the occupying regime launched its genocidal war on Gaza following a surprise operation by the Palestinian Hamas resistance movement.

The resistance movement's constant rocket fire has prompted tens of thousands of Israeli settlers to flee from northern areas of the occupied territories.

Deputy Secretary General Sheikh Naim Qassem pledged Monday to keep up retaliatory operations as long as the usurping entity continues its aggression against Gaza.

"The Zionist enemy continues to threaten us with military aggression, and we respond by means of steadfastness, resistance, and retaliatory strikes," he said at the sixth International Conference for

the Union of Resistance Scholars here.

"We, hereby, declare that if they commit a foolish act and attack our territories, there would then be a new version of the 2006 July war," Sheikh Qassem said.

He added that scholars and thinkers from various Muslim countries have come together to raise their voices loudly in support of the heroic and honorable Axis of Resistance, stressing that resistance fighters will eventually emerge triumphant despite all the hardship and challenges they are enduring on the path to their final objectives.

The top Hezbollah official described the surprise and large-scale Operation al-Aqsa Storm launched by Gaza-based resistance factions against Israel as the Palestinians' natural and legitimate reaction to the 75-year-long occupation of their land by the Zionist regime.

"The Zionist regime is an aggressive and usurping entity that has been set up in the region in order to bring it under complete control and destroy it later on. The United States wants to be in charge of our region, as it can assert marked sway and influence in such a case," Sheikh Qassem said.

He went on to say that Israel could not have managed to continue its relentless ground and aerial strikes against the Palestinians in the Gaza Strip without the U.S. military and intelligence support, denouncing the ongoing atrocities as pre-planned and meant to decimate the entire population in the coastal area.

Sheikh Qassem also cast doubts on Western calls for the establishment of an independent Palestinian state, describing them as theatrical and deceitful.

He underlined that Hezbollah conducts operations against Israeli military outposts in the 1948 occupied territories in retaliation for the bloody aggression against Gazans and all out of its humanitarian and religious duties towards the oppressed Palestinian nation.

Osama Hamdan, a senior representative of Hamas in Lebanon, stated that Arab and Muslim nations are duty-bound to join forces and frustrate the Israeli (Continued on Page 7)

Euro-Med: Israeli Tanks Run Over Palestinian Civilians

GENEVA (Dispatches) -- Israeli soldiers have been killing Palestinian civilians in Gaza by running them over with tanks and armored vehicles, a report by the Euro-Med Human Rights monitor states.

According to the report released on Monday, one of those killed was a Palestinian man in Gaza City's Zaytoun neighborhood on February 29.

Eyewitnesses told the rights monitor that the man had his hands restrained, was stripped, and that he was alive while he was run over on asphalt.

Other similar incidents have also been carried out by the Zionist military, the rights monitor stated.

On January 23, an Israeli tank ran over members of the Ghannam family while they were sleeping in a caravan

in the Taiba Towers area of Khan Younis.

The attack resulted in the deaths of the father and his eldest daughter, while the remaining three children and wife were wounded.

The incident was confirmed by the 13-year-old daughter, Amina, who said that her father and older sister were killed when the tanks repeatedly drove over the caravan where the family had been sleeping.

As a result of the attack, Amina experienced extreme pressure in her eyes, almost losing her vision.

Running over Palestinians with heavy vehicles has been a technique employed by Zionist forces since the start of the war on Gaza on October 7.

Euro-Med documented bulldozers and tanks crushing displaced Palestinians in

their tents in the courtyard of the Kamal Adwan hospital on December 16.

Images of crushed bodies at the scene clearly show marks consistent with being run over by a large armored vehicle.

One woman told Euro-Med that she was shocked when a tank suddenly ran over the tent where her family had sought shelter. The family survived the 20 February attack, close to the coast in Khan Younis.

Last week, Ramy Abdu, chairman of the rights group, told MEE he believed hundreds of Palestinians have been run over by Israeli tanks.

Most, he said, were in northern Gaza, in places such as Beit Lahia, Beit Hanoun and Zeitoun, as well as along the coastal al-Rasheed road (Continued on Page 7)