

Scores of Terrorists Killed in Syria

DAMASCUS (Dispatches) – During the clashes that broke out between the terrorists and the Syrian army forces in Aleppo and Idlib, at least 60 terrorists were killed. Fierce clashes broke out on Saturday between the Syrian army and terrorists in the western suburbs of Aleppo and southern Idlib. At least 60 terrorists, most of whom were foreign nationals, were killed as they were trying to conduct two simultaneous attacks on the headquarters of the Syrian army units in Aleppo and Idlib. The Syrian army units managed to thwart the unexpected attack of Jabhat al-Nusra terrorists.

Thought for Today

Hearts have desires, likes and dislikes and so try to approach them through their desires and likes, for if it is forced to feel, the heart becomes blind.

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UNRWA: Hunger Everywhere in Gaza

GAZA (Dispatches) – Hunger has spread all across the Gaza Strip amid a deadly Israeli carnage in the enclave, the UN agency for Palestinian refugees (UNRWA) said Sunday.

The UN agency said humanitarian conditions are tragic in the Palestinian strip as the Muslim fasting month of Ramadan is set to start on Monday.

The Zionist regime has also imposed a crippling blockade on Gaza, leaving its population, particularly residents in the north, on the verge of starvation.

The Israeli war has pushed 85% of Gaza's population into internal displacement amid a crippling blockade of most food, clean water, and medicine, while 60% of the enclave's infrastructure has been damaged or destroyed, according to the UN.

The occupying regime stands accused of genocide at the International Court of Justice. An interim



Palestinian children wait for the food with pots as Palestinian people survive under difficult conditions at Jabalia Refugee Camp in Gaza on February 26, 2024.

ruling in January ordered Tel Aviv to stop genocidal acts and take measures to guarantee that humanitarian assistance is provided to civilians in Gaza.

The Israeli military has restricted the delivery of humanitarian supplies to Gaza for weeks, and thou-

sands of children are going without sufficient food and medication.

The United Nations has already warned that child deaths will "rapidly increase" in Gaza if humanitarian aid deliveries do not immediately increase.

UNRWA has also warned about

more child deaths in the Gaza Strip amid a widespread lack of food and access to safe water and medical services.

Meanwhile, an infant and a young woman have died from severe malnutrition and dehydration in northern Gaza, where an estimated 300,000 people are facing famine as Israel blocks safe delivery of aid.

The Gaza Health Ministry announced in a statement on Saturday that a two-month-old female infant has died of malnutrition and dehydration at the Kamal Adwan Hospital in northern Gaza.

Health Ministry spokesman Ashraf al-Qudra also said starvation and dehydration has killed a 20-year-old woman at al-Shifa Hospital, where three more young people already died of the same cause last Friday.

These new victims increased the number of known starvation deaths to 25 in Gaza, he added.

Islamic Scholars Demand End to Zionist 'Aggression' on Gaza



Palestinians surround the bodies of members of the Abu Slemah family at al-Najar hospital in Rafah in the southern Gaza Strip on March 8, 2024.

ISTANBUL (Dispatches) – The International Union of Muslim Scholars have condemned the Zionist regime's "aggression" against the Gaza Strip and demanded the opening of crossings to send aid to its population.

It came in a statement after the third meeting of the Union's Board of Trustees during its sixth session in Istanbul.

The Union condemned "in the strongest terms the crime of the century and the genocide being waged by the occupying army against innocent civilians, amid the double standards regarding dignity and human rights, and the disregard for all UN charters, with the support and silence of many countries around the world."

It urged the Islamic ummah, or community, and free people of the world to "exert all material and moral efforts to repel the heinous aggression and to open the crossings to provide food, drink, and medicine to civilians in Gaza."

The Union asked Muslims to "make good use of this great month of Ramadan and pay zakat and charity to secure food and medicine for the children and women of Gaza, and to pray during all its nights, supplicating to Allah to repel the aggression of the occupation and to strengthen the resilience of the resistance."

It reaffirmed its issuance of statements, fatwas, practical proposals and previous stances in support of the oppressed, including children, women and men in Gaza.

Israel has waged a deadly military onslaught on the Gaza Strip on Oct. 7. Over 31,000 Palestinians, mostly women and children, have since been killed in Gaza, and 72,524 injured amid mass destruction and shortages of necessities. Israel has also imposed a

crippling blockade on Gaza, leaving its population, particularly residents in the north, on the verge of starvation.

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Israel is accused of genocide at the International Court of Justice. An interim ruling in January ordered Tel Aviv to stop genocidal acts and take measures to guarantee that humanitarian assistance is provided to civilians in Gaza.

'Muslim States Failed to Stop Israeli Massacre'

Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan said on Saturday that Muslim-majority countries did not do enough to stop Zionist troops from killing Palestinians in the Gaza Strip.

During the event in Istanbul, Erdogan said that Israel's war on Gaza shows "significant shortcomings" in the Islamic world.

"Unfortunately, the Islamic world, with its population of nearly 2 billion people, has failed to properly fulfill its brotherly duty to the Palestinians," he said.

He highlighted that the Universal Declaration of Human Rights became "just a piece of paper" when it comes to the right to live for Palestinian children, women and innocent civilians.

"[The war] has shown us that the Islamic world still has very significant shortcomings, especially in terms of acting in unity" when attempting to pressure Israel to end its operation in Gaza, the Turkish leader added.

Israelis Rally for Captives Release, Netanyahu Ouster

TEL AVIV (Dispatches) – Shouting "Elections now!" and "Bring back the captives now!", thousands of demonstrators gathered in Tel Aviv to demand the departure of prime minister Benjamin Netanyahu after five months of war in Gaza.

With t-shirts and banners featuring the names and pictures of captives seized during Hamas's October 7 operation, the crowd demanded swift action to rescue the remaining captives.

Israel's genocidal campaign on Gaza since the Hamas operation has killed over 31,000 people in Gaza, most of them

women and children, according to the Palestinian health ministry.

Around 100 captives remain in Gaza alive and 31 are presumed dead, the Zionist regime has said, a key source of demonstrators' despair.

"We are a broken regime," said Ora, a psychologist in her 60s who did not want to give her full name.

Some protesters called for an immediate ceasefire, a position Netanyahu's cabinet has so far rejected, arguing it would amount to a victory for Hamas.

"Ceasefire? yes, we don't have any choice," said Israel

Alva, a former soldier who now sells medical equipment, adding that there was no "political plan" for after the war.

Mediators have been pushing for a new truce deal before the Muslim fasting month of Ramadan, set to begin in the coming days.

But U.S. President Joe Biden said on Friday that a breakthrough was "looking tough".

Shai Gill, a 50-year-old airline pilot who joined the Tel Aviv rally, said Netanyahu's cabinet -- already hit by a massive protest wave before the war -- "cannot stay in power" after the October 7 operation.

"They don't have the trust of the people and we have to go for an election," Gill said.

He accused the cabinet of being "driven by the motivation to stay in power, and not by what is good for the regime. They just are clinging to their seats."

Saturday's gathering bore some resemblance to mass protests against Netanyahu's controversial legal overhaul before the war in Gaza -- "a century ago", as one protester put it with a sigh.

Israel's top court in January ruled against a key component of the changes, which have largely been shelved.

Biden: Netanyahu Approach to Gaza War 'Hurting Israel More Than Helping'

WASHINGTON (Dispatches) – U.S. President Joe Biden, who is harshly condemned for lending the Zionist regime unwavering support in its genocidal campaign in the Gaza Strip, said Benjamin Netanyahu's approach to the war in Gaza was "hurting Israel more than helping Israel" in an interview aired Saturday.

With Gaza's humanitarian crisis growing more dire and Biden's left flank in uproar, the U.S. president made contradictory remarks as to the question of a "red line" over the Zionist regime's threatened carnage in Rafah in southern Gaza.

Netanyahu "has a right to defend Israel, a right to continue to pursue Hamas," Biden said, but added that "he must pay more attention to the innocent lives being lost as a consequence of the actions taken."

"In my view he is hurting Israel more than helping Israel," he said during an interview with MSNBC.

Since October 7, Israel has been pounding the Gaza Strip from air, land, and sea, killing over 31,000 Palestinians, mostly women and children, trapped in the blockaded

territory.

Biden has repeatedly warned Netanyahu against the mounting civilian casualties in Gaza while continuing to provide the Israeli regime with bombs to kill civilians amid the occupying regime's chokehold on aid.

Elsewhere, Biden said a potential Israeli invasion of the Gaza city of Rafah, where more than 1.5 million displaced Palestinians are sheltering, is "a red line" for him, but said he would not cut off weapons.

"There is no red line (in which) I want to cut off all weapons so they don't have the Iron Dome to protect them," he said.

Biden said he was willing to make his case directly to the Israeli Knesset, its parliament, including by making another trip to the occupied territories. He traveled to Israel in October shortly after the war began.

Biden has been called "Genocide Joe" by American protesters due to his administration's unwavering support for Israel's genocidal war on the Gaza Strip.

Spain's PM to Propose Parliament's Recognition of Palestinian State

BILBAO, Spain (Dispatches) – Spanish Prime Minister Pedro Sánchez says that he will propose that Spain's parliament recognizes a Palestinian state.

"I will propose granting Spain's recognition to the Palestinian state," Sánchez said. "I do this out of moral conviction, for a just cause and because it is the only way."

Sánchez added his voice to a chorus of other European leaders and government officials who have said that they could support a solution in the Middle East as international frustration grows with Israel's actions in the Palestinian territories.

Sánchez also posted his plan on the X platform.

French President Emmanuel Macron said last month that it's not "taboo" for France to recognize a Palestinian state. British Foreign Minister David Cameron said that the

United Kingdom could officially recognize a Palestinian state after a cease-fire in Gaza.

Sánchez said that his position on the conflict in the Gaza Strip is much like his country's support for Ukraine following Russia's full-scale invasion more than two years ago.

He stressed that Spain demanded "respect for international law from Israel, for the violence to end, and for humanitarian aid to reach Gaza."

His comments at a rights conference in the city of Bilbao came as aid shipments were headed for Gaza amid the humanitarian crisis in Gaza and a new international willingness to work around Israeli restrictions.

Five months after the Zionist regime's carnage more than 31,000 Palestinians have been killed, according to the Gaza Health Ministry.