

KUWAIT CITY (Dispatches) – Kuwait's Emir Sheikh Nawaf al-Ahmad al-Jaber al-Sabah has been admitted to hospital following an emergency health issue, according to the state news agency. The 86-year-old's condition was stable, KUNA reported on Wednesday. Quoting a Kuwaiti official, the news agency reported that the emir was taken to hospital "to receive the necessary treatment and conduct medical examinations". The report did not elaborate on the health issue; however, Sheikh Nawaf has handed over power several times during his rule to his deputy while facing medical checks and other issues. State-run news previously reported that he travelled to the United States for unspecified medical checks in March 2021.

## WHO: Palestinian Children, Civilians 'Deserve to Live in Peace'

NEW YORK (Dispatches) – Palestinian children and civilians "deserve to live in peace", the head of the World Health Organisation (WHO) said on Wednesday, marking the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, Anadolu Agency reports.

"This International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian people comes at a very dark and tragic moment. But we must persist with our commitment to health for all Palestinian people," Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus said on X

"We continue to call on all parties to work towards a sustained ceasefire and lasting peace," he added.

In a separate post, he stressed that 1.3 million people are currently living in shelters in Gaza.

He said that, "overcrowding and lack of food, water, sanitation and basic hygiene, waste management and access to medication are resulting in a high number of cases of acute respiratory infections (111,000), scabies (12,000), lice (11,000), diarrhoea (75,000), skin rash (24,000), impetigo (2,500), chickenpox (2,500) and jaundice (1,100)"

"Given the living conditions and lack of health care, more people could die from disease than bombings," Tedros said.

He emphasized that establishing a



Injured Palestinian children undergo medical treatment at Nasser Hospital in the southern Gaza Strip on Nov. 16.

ceasefire now is "a matter of life or death for civilians".

### 'High Risk' of Famine

The United Nations World Food Program (WFP) also warned that Gazans, especially women and children, are facing a "high risk" of famine without sustained food aid.

The WFP said it had delivered food to 121,161 people in UN shelters and host communities in Gaza since a four-day humanitarian pause, began on Friday. The truce has since been extended and is due to come to an end tomorrow morning.

"Thanks to the pause, our teams have been in action on the ground, going into areas we haven't reached for a long time. What we see is catastrophic. There's a risk of famine and starvation on our watch and to prevent it, we need to be able to bring in food at scale and distribute it safely," said WFP's Director for the Middle East, North Africa and Eastern Europe Region, Corinne Fleischer.

"Six days is simply not enough to provide all the assistance needed. The people of Gaza have to eat every day, not just for six days."

"Our team recounted what they

saw: hunger, desperation, and destruction. People who have not received any relief in weeks. The team could see the suffering in their eyes," said Samer Abdeljaber, WFP Palestine representative and country director.

"This pause offered a window of relief that we hope paves the way for longer-term calm. Safe and unimpeded humanitarian access cannot stop now."

Meanwhile, the United Nations humanitarian office urged Wednesday the immediate reopening of more aid entry points into Gaza, including for commercial goods.

The UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs said in a statement that entry of supplies including food, water, medical supplies and fuel via Gaza's Rafah crossing with Egypt is still far from sufficient.

Approximately 85 tons of cooking oil were transported daily to Gaza since the ceasefire, accounting for only one-third of the average daily consumption in Gaza before the conflict, it added.

Queues at filling stations for cooking gas in Khan Yunis, south of Gaza, extended for nearly two kilometers, with people waiting there overnight. Reports indicated residents resorting to burning doors and window frames for cooking.

## NAM Expresses Concern Over Zionist Regime's Use of Prohibited Weapons in Gaza



The member states of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) called on the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) to force the Zionist regime to stop using chemical weapons.

CAIRO YORK (Dispatches) – The Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) has expressed deep concern over the use of internationally-banned munitions, like white phosphorus bombs, by Israeli military forces in the Gaza Strip and southern Lebanon, demanding an international investigation into the issue.

The 120-member international organization made the plea in a statement at the 38th conference of the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) member states, which opened in the Dutch city of The Hague on November 27 and will run through December 1.

NAM also denounced the ongoing Israeli crimes during the regime's atrocious onslaught on Gaza, throwing weight behind the Palestinian Authority's request to launch a probe into the possible use of chemical weapons by the occupying regime.

The statement, citing official reports, expressed deep concern about the use of prohibited weapons by the Israeli military, including bombs containing white phosphorus, in Gaza and southern Lebanon.

It also warned about the possibility of Israel's employment of nerve agents and other toxic substances in attacks on besieged Gaza and the occupied West Bank.

The statement went on to touch on other issues, including the need to step up international cooperation for removal of discriminatory restrictions, including unilateral sanctions, and support for victims of chemical weapons.

NAM stressed that the onus is on governments and the OPCW's Technical Secretariat to provide victims of chemical weapons with the necessary medicine and facilities.

The Zionist regime launched the war on Gaza on October 7 after the Palestinian Hamas resistance movement waged the surprise Operation Al-Aqsa Flood against the occupying entity in response to the regime's decades-long campaign of bloodletting and devastation against Palestinians.

According to the Gaza-based health ministry, over 15,000 Palestinians, including more than 6,150 children and 4,000 women, were killed in Israeli strikes, during the 49 days of war. Many more dead are feared to be under the rubble.

Tel Aviv has also imposed a "complete siege" on Gaza, cutting off fuel, electricity, food, and water to the more than two million Palestinians living there.

### Erdogan Calls Netanyahu 'Butcher of Gaza'

Also on Wednesday, Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan branded Zionist prime minister Benjamin Netanyahu "the butcher of Gaza" and slammed him for spawning anti-Semitism across the world.

Erdogan has lashed out repeatedly at the Zionist regime for the scale of death and destruction caused by its onslaught on Gaza.

He has branded Israel a "terrorist state" and called Hamas "a liberation group".

Erdogan redoubled those attacks during an appearance before his ruling party members in parliament.

"Netanyahu has already written his name in history as the butcher of Gaza," Erdogan said in nationally televised remarks.

"Netanyahu is endangering the security of all Jews in the world by supporting anti-Semitism with the murders he committed in Gaza."

## Ex-Zionist PM: Hamas Far From 'Falling Apart'

GAZA STRIP (Dispatches) – Former Zionist prime minister Ehud Barak said 50 days after the occupying regime launched its ruthless aggression against the besieged Gaza Strip with the declared goal of eliminating the Palestinian resistance group, Hamas, the movement is far from falling apart in Gaza and maintains its capabilities.

In an article published in Haaretz newspaper, Barak said the Zionist regime is nearing a decisive juncture, where Hamas is far from falling apart.

Barak warned that international support for the Zionist regime war is rapidly running out, while tension is building up behind

closed doors, including with the United States and could possibly even get worse.

He explained that it is the responsibility of prime minister Benjamin Netanyahu to manage this complexity, but he had failed in this mission, and therefore he is unfit to lead.

Barak accused Netanyahu of

ignoring the fact that a relationship based on trust with the White House is crucial for Israel to achieve its goals, explaining that Netanyahu's failure to lead the war lies in his denial of the understanding that victory cannot be achieved "without a clear plan for the day after the war and the way to implement that plan."

## Group Stages 'Die-Ins' Across Washington to Raise Awareness for Gaza

WASHINGTON, DC (Dispatches) – Julia Fawzi Saeed al-Kurd was one year old. She was killed along with several members of her family in an air raid by the Zionist regime on Deir al-Balah in central Gaza on October 11.

Her name appeared in local reports on the day of the bombing and later on a list of people killed in Zionist regime attacks, released by the Palestinian health ministry in Gaza.

As with thousands of other Palestinians who have been wiped out in the Israeli offensive, little is publicly known about Julia beyond her death.

But in Washington, DC, some activists are trying to keep the memory of children like Julia alive, with a provocative reminder of the young lives lost during the war in Gaza.

On a chilly morning in the Capitol Hill neighborhood, the activists protested silently, passing out leaflets to passersby. At their feet were a row of small figures wrapped in white shrouds, each splattered in blood — and each bearing the name of a real child killed in Gaza. Julia's name was on one of them.

"We are witnessing a genocide in Gaza. End the injustice NOW," the flyer read, urging a ceasefire and an end to United States military support for Israel.

The protest was one of daily demonstrations across the Washington area led by an informal group called Die-in for Humanity.

Hazami Barmada organized the protests in an effort to break through pre-conceived notions about the Gaza war, with stark reminders of the humanity of those under siege. Barmada, who is of Palestinian and Syrian descent, estimates the group has handed out more than 14,000 flyers so far.

"The reality is our social media turns into echo chambers and people read the news they want to read," she said. "So we go into places where your average person is walking around and try to provoke deeper questions and reflections on what's happening and more awareness about what's happening to Palestinians."

Where possible, Barmada and her fellow volunteers lie on the ground

during protests to mirror the bodies of Palestinians killed in Zionist regime raids.

"We really hope that people will stop and actually start to question the toll of war, the toll of endorsing this with our tax dollars," Barmada told Al Jazeera, referring to Washington's

military aid to Israel.

She said the protesters want to make people feel "uncomfortable within a controlled environment" in order to spark meaningful conversations.

"It's really easy to see statistics online and to divorce yourself from it," Barmada said.

## Report: Over 3,300 Palestinians Arrested by Israel in West Bank Since Oct. 7

WEST BANK (Dispatches) – Zionist troops' raids in the West Bank since October 7 have led to over 3,300 arrests, as reported by Palestinian advocacy groups.

Israeli forces detained 35 Palestinians in the past 24 hours in the West Bank, including a 12-year-old, reported the Palestinian Prisoner's Society (PPS) and the Prisoners' Affairs Authority.

The total arrests since October 7 now surpass 3,325, according to a PPS Facebook post.

Amid ongoing Israeli raids in

the West Bank, more than 242 Palestinians have been killed, with over 3,000 wounded since October 7. Among the fatalities are 57 children, a woman, and six prisoners who died in Israeli custody.

During the initial four days of the truce, the Zionist regime arrested at least 133 individuals from occupied East Al-Quds and the West Bank, as per Palestinian prisoner associations.

Meanwhile, Israel has detained dozens of Palestinians in the occupied West Bank and

East Al-Quds as it conducts a prisoner release with Hamas, the Gaza-based armed group announced.

In the first four days of the ongoing truce, which began on Friday, Israel released 150 Palestinian prisoners – 117 children and 33 women.

Hamas released 69 captives – 51 Israelis and 18 people from other nations.

Over the same four days, Israel arrested at least 133 Palestinians from East Al-Quds and the West Bank, according to Pales-

tinian prisoner associations.

"As long as there is occupation, the arrests will not stop. People must understand this because this is a central policy of occupation against Palestinians and to restrict any kind of resistance," Amany Sarahneh, spokesperson for the Palestinian Prisoners Society, told Al Jazeera.

"This is a daily practice – its not just after October 7," she continued, adding, "We actually expected more people to be arrested during these four days."