

Zionist Army 'in Worst Position' to Confront Hamas

AL-QUDS (Dispatches) – The Zionist regime's army is in "its worst position" to confront Hamas as the Palestinian resistance group continues to rebuild itself amid a Gaza ceasefire deal, an Israeli military source said on Monday.

"The Israeli army has not conducted any effective combat operations for about two weeks, allowing Hamas to bolster its military capabilities in preparation for a new round of fighting," the public broadcaster KAN quoted the source as saying.

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Iran: Trump's Negotiation Offer Letter Mirrors His Public Statements

TEHRAN – Iran said Monday that a letter sent by U.S. President Donald Trump to Tehran mirrors his public statements and will be responded to through "appropriate channels." "We have no reason to publicize Trump's message at this time," Foreign Ministry Spokesman Esmail Baghaei told a news briefing. "Media reports about this message are mostly speculative. The content of the message is not far removed from Trump's public speeches and repeats the same talking points," he added. The spokesman said Iran will respond to Trump's letter after scrutiny. "Our response will be provided through the appropriate channels once the assessment is complete," he added.

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Important Islamic Anniversaries and Nowruz

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Today, the 17th of the blessed month of Ramadhan happens to be the anniversary of two very important days in the history of civilization.

The first is the emergence of the dawn following "Me'raj" or Ascension to the highest point in the heavens and back to Mecca on Planet Earth in a fraction of the night on Divine Commandment by the Almighty's Last and Greatest Messenger.

The second is the victory of Prophet Muhammad (SAWA) and his lightly armed force of 313 in 2 AH when the pagan Arabs of Mecca imposed the first ever battle on Muslims at a place called Badr.

Both the events, which are a testimony to the peerless spiritual and physical positions of the Seal of Messengers, also testify the God-given status of his Vicegerent both in the ethereal heavens and in the transitional mortal world.

The "Mercy unto all creation" is the only being summoned so near to the Celestial Throne, where no other creature, including Archangel Gabriel, has ever approached. It is narrated that from behind the dazzling curtain of celestial light the Voice chosen by God – Who is far glorious to have any place, form, shape, or voice – to speak was that of Imam Ali (AS), because it was the most soothing voice for Prophet Mohammad (SAWA).

"Immaculate is He who carried His servant on a journey by night from the Sacred Mosque to the Farthest Mosque whose environs He has blessed, that We might show him some of Our signs. Indeed He is the All-Hearing, the All-Seeing." (Holy Qur'an 17:1)

"While he was on the highest horizon; then he drew nearer and nearer, until he was within two bows' length or even nearer, whereat He revealed to His servant whatever He revealed. The heart did not deny what it saw. Will you then dispute with him about what he saw? Certainly, he saw it yet another time. Certainly he saw some of the greatest signs of his Lord.' By the Lote Tree of the Ultimate Boundary, near which is the Garden of the Abode, when there it covered the Lote Tree what covered it. The gaze did not swerve, nor did it overstep the bounds. Certainly he saw some of the greatest signs of his Lord." (Holy Qur'an 53:7-18)

It was on this night in Mecca, before the Prophet's migration to Medina that Gabriel descended with the celestial mount "Buraq" – faster than the speed of light. Prophet Muhammad (SAWA) travelled to the Masjid al-Aqsa or the Remote Mosque, which could be the one in Bayt al-Moqaddas, or as per other narrations, located in the heavens. Narrations also speak of his lightning visit that night to the Grand Mosque of Kufa in Iraq that used to be the house of Prophet Noah and was in ruins in those days. He also made stops at Medina, which in the near future would be the capital of his ideal government, and at Mount Sinai where God Almighty used to speak to Prophet Moses.

The 17th of Ramadhan is also the resounding victory of the little band of Muslims over a strong fully armed almost 1,000-strong pagan army.

Of the 70-odd infidels who fell in battle, while the rest fled or were taken captive, 36 were dispatched to the bowels of hell by Imam Ali (AS), including Otba, his son Walid, Shayba, and Hanzala ibn Abu Sufyan.

This heroic epic waged a millennium, four centuries and forty-three years ago, continues to inspire Muslims to confront heavily armed enemies.

A couple of day later, Ramadhan 19, is the tragic anniversary of the fatal stroke on the blessed head of Imam Ali (AS) in 40 AH in the mosque of Kufa while in the state of the ritual morning prayer, by the renegade Ibn Muljam.

Two days later on 21 Ramadhan, the Commander of the Faithful left for his heavenly abode and laid to rest in Najaf where his sprawling grand golden-domed mausoleum continues to beckon believers from all over the world.

This year Ramadhan 19 happens to be the Spring Equinox, marked in Iran and the Iranic and Persianate communities in the region and beyond as Nowruz or new year, as the first day of the calendar in the Islamic Republic.

The year 1404 solar hijri, dated like its lunar counterpart from the Prophet's auspicious migration (Hijra) from Mecca to Medina, begins at Iranian time 12:31:30 (09:01:31 GMT). The majority of Iranians usher in the New Year with supplications to God Almighty at the mausoleums of the Ahl al-Bayt. The holy shrine of Imam Reza (AS) in Mashhad, at the holy shrine of his sister Hazrat Ma'sumah (SA) in Qom, and the Jamkaran Mosque – associated with Imam Mahdi (may God hasten his reappearance to establish the global government of peace, prosperity and justice) – are the most frequented places.

The following famous supplication is recited throughout Iran and on radio and TV channels:

"Ya Moqallab al-qoloub wa'l-Absaar; (O Rotator of hearts and eyes).
"Ya Modabber al-layl wa'n-nahaar; (O Regulator of the day and night),
"Ya Mohawwel al-howl wa'l-ahwaal; (O Transformer of state and situations)
"Hawwil halana ila ahsan il-haal. (Turn our state into the best of conditions).



Holiday notice: Wishing the best in the new Persian year of 1404, we hereby announce that our next issue will be published on April 5, 2025. Editor

'Even One Million Raids Won't Break Nation's Resolve' Yemen Attacks U.S. Aircraft Carrier With Drones, Missiles

SANA'A (Dispatches) – The Yemeni Armed Forces have launched another attack on the U.S. aircraft carrier USS Harry S. Truman in the Red Sea, a military spokesperson confirmed.

According to Al Mayadeen, Yahya Saree, the spokesperson for the Yemeni Armed Forces, announced that the warship was targeted with multiple ballistic and guided missiles, as well as drones, during an extended battle lasting several hours.

He stated that Yemeni forces successfully thwarted an enemy operation aimed at attacking Yemen.

Saree emphasized that Yemen remains committed to its leadership's directives regarding retaliatory measures against aggression

on its territory.

He reiterated that Israeli-linked ships would not be allowed to pass through Yemeni operational waters.

Ansarullah popular resistance movement has reasserted the country's unyielding determination to resist and confront foreign aggression aimed at forcing the Arab country to stop its pro-Palestinian operations.

"Sana'a was not broken by 200,000 raids, and its steadfastness will not be broken by a million raids," Abdulrahman al-Ahnuumi, director of the Yemeni General Corporation for Radio and Television said.

The official was referring to the Arab Peninsula nation's coming (Continued on Page 7)

Iran Vows 'Decisive, Definite' Response to Any Aggression

TEHRAN – Tehran will give a "decisive and definite" response to any act of aggression, says the spokesman for Iran's Foreign Ministry, amid US threats against the Islamic Republic over its support for Yemen.

At least 53 people, mostly women and children, were killed and 101 others wounded after the US carried out the first attacks against Yemen since President Donald Trump took office in January. The U.S. launched its large-scale military strikes on the Yemeni capital Sana'a and multiple other provinces across the country on Saturday night.

"We will respond decisively to any aggression against Iran's territorial integrity and its national security and interests. There is

no doubt about this," Esmail Baghaei told reporters at his weekly press conference on Monday.

Trump, in a statement on Saturday, said the U.S. holds Iran "fully accountable" for its support for Yemen's Ansarullah resistance movement. He said support for the movement must "end immediately," warning that Washington will hold Tehran fully accountable.

Baghaei added that the Yemeni government and people independently make decisions about the measures they deem necessary to support the legitimate resistance of the Palestinian people.

He condemned the U.S. act of aggression against Yemen Yemen (Continued on Page 7)

Rifts Widen in Zionist Regime as Netanyahu Sacks Shin Bet Chief

WEST BANK (Dispatches) – Zionist prime minister Benjamin Netanyahu has announced his decision to dismiss Shin Bet chief Ronen Bar, citing a lack of trust between them. Anadolu has reported.

"I have decided to propose the dismissal of Shin Bet Director Ronen Bar," Netanyahu said in a video statement released by his office.

"At all times, and especially during an existential war like this, there must be complete trust between the prime minister and the head of Shin Bet.

"Unfortunately, the opposite is true—I no longer have that trust," he added.

The regime will review the proposal on Wednesday, according to Israel's Channel 12.

Tensions between Netanyahu and the Shin Bet have escalated following the agency's internal investigation into the Oct. 7, 2023 operation against the Zionist regime by the Palestinian resistance movement Hamas. Netanyahu dismissed the report's findings, saying they failed to answer key questions.

The investigation's findings prompted opposition leaders Yair Lapid and Benny Gantz to demand an apology from Netanyahu, accusing him of deflecting blame.

Lapid labeled Netanyahu's latest decision "shameful" on X, accusing him of "losing his nerve and eroding values." He charged that the prime minister prioritizes personal interests over national security, a jab at Netanyahu's efforts to cling to power.

"All his slander and attempts to shift blame won't help—he's the primary one responsible for the Oct. 7 disaster," Lapid said, vowing to challenge the move in the Supreme Court.

Several military and intelligence officials have resigned over the failures of Oct. 7, but Netanyahu refuses accountability.

Channel 12 reported that the regime's legal adviser, Gali Baharav-Miara, requested a meeting with Netanyahu to discuss the dismissal.

Meanwhile, Yair Golan, head of the opposition party, called it a "war on Israel" on X, alleging that Netanyahu aims to silence investigators probing his circle.

"As inquiries widen and expose shady ties, he grows hysterical, inciting, firing and threatening to

neutralize law enforcers," Golan said, pledging fierce resistance.

Benny Gantz, another opposition lawmaker and former war cabinet minister, warned on X that sacking Bar "directly harms security" and risks fracturing the Zionist regime for political gain.

Communications minister Shlomo Karhi, from Netanyahu's Likud party, backed the move on X, calling Bar a "dictator under a security guise" whose tenure threatens the occupying regime.

Far-right lawmaker Itamar Ben-Gvir, the leader of the Jewish Power party, also hailed the move on X, saying "better late than never" and urging the right to emulate U.S. President Donald Trump in dismantling the "deep state" to restore public trust.