

UN Security Council backs Gaza cease-fire resolution



Children wait for food at a camp for displaced people where they live due to the Israeli bombardment in Khan Yunis in the southern Gaza Strip on June 11, 2024. **● EYAD BABA/AFP**

Hamas resistance group accepted a UN resolution backing a plan to end the war with Israel in Gaza and is ready to negotiate details, a senior official of the Palestinian group said on Tues-

day in what the US Secretary of State Antony Blinken called "a hopeful sign". But Qatari and Egyptian mediators have not received formal replies from Hamas or Israel to

the UN-backed truce proposal, an official close to the talks told Reuters, and both sides suggested on Tuesday the plan fit their clashing goals, raising doubt whether any genuine headway

towards a deal had been made, Reuters reported. Blinken met Israeli officials on Tuesday in a push to end the eight-month-old Israeli air and ground war on Gaza that has devastated the Palestinian territory, a day after President Joe Biden's proposal for a truce was approved by the UN Security Council. Biden's proposal envisages a cease-fire and phased release of captives in exchange for Palestinians jailed in Israel, ultimately leading to a permanent end to the war. On Tuesday, senior Hamas official Sami Abu Zuhri, who is based outside Gaza, said it accepted the cease-fire resolution and was ready to negotiate over the specifics. This required a formula stipu-

lating the total withdrawal of Israeli troops from Gaza and a swap of captives held in Gaza for Palestinians jailed in Israel, he told Reuters. Blinken said the Hamas statement was "a hopeful sign" but definitive word was still needed from the Hamas leadership inside Israeli-besieged Gaza. "That's what counts, and that's what we don't have yet." Israel too has yet to formally announce it has accepted the cease-fire proposal. Blinken said Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu had "re-affirmed his commitment" to a Gaza cease-fire proposal during their meeting in Al-Quds. Since October, Israel's air and ground onslaught in Gaza has killed at least 37,164 Palestinians. In the latest massacre in Gaza, the regime's forces in a commando raid into a crowded urban refugee camp in central Gaza killed 274 Palestinians in order to rescue four Israeli captives held by Hamas.

Russia, Iran keep up work on cooperation pact: Kremlin

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Russia on Tuesday underlined that Tehran and Moscow are continuing work on a comprehensive cooperation agreement after Russian media reported suspension of the joint deal. Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov was cited by Russia's TASS news agency as saying that work on a comprehensive agreement between Russia and Iran continues but the schedule may somewhat change due to the snap presidential election in Iran. "Generally speaking, this work continues. Yet, naturally, given the current period in Tehran when preparations for a presidential election are underway, the deadlines have been slightly pushed back. Because it is the presidential election, as a rule, later staff reshuffle is possible and so on," Peskov said. "Yet overall, this does not change the situation." His remarks came hours after Russian presidential envoy for Afghanistan Zamir Kabulov said that the work on the cooperation agreement has been suspended due to issues with the Iranian side. Iran's Ambassador to Russia Kazem Jalali also rejected the report, saying that both countries are trying to sign the agreement in 2024.

Iran's presidential hopefuls elucidate own programs

Iran's presidential candidates outlined their programs as election campaigns began on Monday after the Guardian Council vetted and approved six candidates to run for the June 28 presidential election. The winner of the race will succeed the late President Ebrahim Raisi who died in a helicopter crash in a mountainous area in northwest Iran on May 19. Mohammad Baqer Qalibaf on Monday underlined the need for "transforma-

tion" in all sectors of the country by means of "cybernetic management." Meanwhile, he pointed to the problems that people are facing in their livelihood, vowing to increase their purchasing power. Masoud Pezeshkian said he pursues the policy of "stability," noting that a change of direction would prevent the country from achieving the growth desired by Leader of the Islamic Revolution Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei. "We are not going to

change the direction and the general policy is stability," the Reformist lawmaker asserted. Another presidential hopeful Amir Hossein Qazizadeh Hashemi said on Monday that the state economy should be gradually nationalized through a real privatization process. Qazizadeh Hashemi said that he is committed to the ideals of the late chief executive who died in a helicopter crash on May 19.

Anti-Israel demos heating up across US after Nuseirat carnage

Anti-Israel demonstrations across the United States have taken a new turn and are pushing forward with irresistible momentum after the occupying regime launched a merciless foray into the al-Nuseirat refugee camp in the central part of the Gaza Strip at the weekend. Israeli military vehicles advanced into areas in the east and northwest of the Nuseirat refugee camp on Saturday morning amid the regime's heavy artillery bombardment of the coastal enclave, claiming the lives of at least 274 Palestinian civilians and wounding 698 others. Thousands of demonstrators surrounded the perimeter of the White House in a sea of fabric later in the day, saying they were drawing a red line for US President Joe Biden and calling for a cease-fire in Gaza.

The demonstrators — many of whom had arrived on buses from more than two dozen cities — marched to chants of "Free Palestine!" while holding signs that said "Genocide is our red line" and "Israel bombs, your taxes pay." The protest came after Biden said last month that he would suspend delivery of weapons to Israel if it went into population centers in Rafah. However, the White House denied that Israel had crossed Biden's "red line" with its barbaric campaign in the refugee camp, infuriating Saturday's demonstrators. "If Joe Biden's red line was a fiction ... and it was designed to make us become quiet, instead of that, we are going to become louder," said Brian Becker, a leader of the ANSWER Coalition, one of the organizers of the march. "Only we can be

the red line against genocide." In a related development, US riot police confronted pro-Palestinian protesters at the University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA) on Monday and arrested a number of participants after forming a skirmish line and facing off with protesters who stood behind barricades. On the same day, a group of protesters gathered in front of the Israeli Consulate in San Francisco and called for an end to attacks on Gaza as they held banners that read "Zionism Kills." More than eight months into the Israeli genocide, vast tracts of Gaza lie in ruins amid a crippling blockade of food, clean water and medicine. At least 37,164 Palestinians have since October 7, 2023 been killed in the besieged territory, most of them women and children.

First Announcement

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NATIONAL IRANIAN SOUTH OILFIELDS COMPANY
AHVAZ-IRAN

TENDER NO.: 08-38-0240003

National Iranian South Oilfields Company (NISOC) intends to purchase the following goods

Items	Material Description	Quantity
1	COILED TUBING REEL STRING, QT-800 TAPERED TYPE H2S SERVICE, 15000 FT.	5RL

Vendors who intend to participate in aforesaid tenders are requested to send their "Intention To Participate" letter via fax to the following number along with their resume according to Qualitative Assessment Form no. 1, available at: www.nisoc.ir, not later than 14 days after the second announcement, otherwise, their requests for participation in the tender will be disregarded. The applicants should have relevant background in supplying the required goods and capability to provide and submit a bid bond of 39,185/76 EURO or 17,347,730,000 RIAL, in favor of NISOC. Tender documents including the materials thorough technical specifications and Qualitative Assessment Forms can be accessed via: www.nisoc.ir-material-procurement-management-tab. ONLY ACCEPTABLE DELIVERY TERM IS D.D.P.

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Second Announcement

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TENDER NO.: 08-38-0240008

National Iranian South Oilfields Company (NISOC) intends to purchase the following goods

Items	Material Description	Quantity
1	COILED TUBING REEL STRING, QT-800, SINGLE TYPE H2S SERVICE, FITTING FIG.1502 WING LONG SIZE: 15000FT OD 1.5 IN., W.T. 0.109 IN.	13RL

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