

Leader calls for 'constructive interaction' between parliament, new gov't

Leader of the Islamic Revolution Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei said the success of the newly-elected President Masoud Pezeshkian in performing his duties is the success of all Iranians, calling for 'constructive interaction' between parliament and the new government. Ayatollah Khamenei made the remarks during a meeting with members of the new Iranian Parliament in Tehran on Sunday. "My strong recommendation is the constructive interaction of the parliament with the new government. The success of the president and the new government is the success of all of us. Everyone should help the president to fulfill his duties towards the country," he said. The Leader noted that, "If the president succeeds in managing the country's affairs, improving the economy, advancing foreign relations and cultural issues, we all succeed. His victory is a victory for all of us." Ayatollah Khamenei further called on the Iranian legislature and administration, as well as officials, to

have a "united voice" in dealing with important issues to "disappoint" those seeking to sow discord among them. Meanwhile, the Leader urged the parliament to immediately give a vote of confidence to the cabinet that Pezeshkian will announce, saying, "The sooner the proposed cabinet is approved and the government starts working, the better for the country." The parliaments, he emphasized, can also play a role in both removing and neutralizing anti-Iran sanctions. After the meeting, Pezeshkian in a message posted on his X account appreciated the Leader's support for the government, calling the people's trust and the Leader's support as the government's greatest asset to achieve further successes ahead. Parliament's Speaker Mohammad Baqer Qalibaf also took to the X, saying that in response to the Leader's recommendation about constructive interaction between parliament with the new administration, parliament will do its utmost to



Leader of Iran's Islamic Revolution Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei speaks during a meeting with Iranian lawmakers in Tehran on July 21, 2024. [khamenei.ir](#)

help the government.

Gaza crisis

During the meeting, Ayatollah Khamenei also touched

upon the crisis in Gaza, saying that Gaza, which is enduring a genocidal Israeli war, is still the first and foremost issue of the Muslim world despite waning

enthusiasm.

The Leader called on Iranian lawmakers not to remain silent about Gaza because the issue is as important as it was in

the first days of the Israeli onslaught and it has even grown in importance.

"Day by day, the resistance increases the demonstration of its power. A great military, political, and economic apparatus like the US is fighting behind the usurping Zionist regime against a resistance group, but they have failed to bring Hamas to its knees," the Leader said.

Thus, he added, the US and Israel are taking their anger out on Gaza people, including children and women, and committing war crimes by bombing schools and hospitals in the besieged Palestinian territory.

"The people of the world are now judging against the evil usurping regime; The issue is not over and it is still ongoing."

Health ministry: Many victims still under rubble, on roads in Gaza



The Health Ministry in Gaza said many victims of Israel's genocidal war on Palestinian territory are still under rubble and on roads, with civil defense crews not able to reach them. The ministry said on Sunday at least 38,983 people have been killed in Israel's onslaught since October last year. Health Ministry said at least 64 people were

killed and 105 injured in Israeli attacks across Gaza in just 24 hours. Israeli attacks on areas of central Gaza in the past week have been focused on Nuseirat refugee camp, where dozens of people have been killed. "We hear the sounds of explosions in Nuseirat and we see the smoke rising from here in Deir el-Balah, the last refuge you can say and we are

being terrorized by the feeling tanks may roll here," Tamer Aburakan, a resident of Gaza City, now displaced in the central area of Deir el-Balah, told Reuters. "Where should we go next? The entire Gaza Strip is under fire and we are being hunted like deer in a forest. When is enough? When the war will ever end?" he said via a chat application.

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Yemen vows 'huge' response to Israeli aggression on Hudaydah



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Yemen's Ansarullah movement promised "huge" retaliation against Israel on Sunday following the regime's deadly strike on the port of Hudaydah.

The Yemeni Armed Forces said earlier that they had targeted Israel's port city of Eilat with ballistic missiles as well as American and Israeli-owned vessels in the Red Sea.

The forces' spokesman Brigadier General Yahya Saree announced in a statement on Sunday that they carried out a specific military operation against important targets in the Umm al-Rashrash (Eilat) area "with a number of ballistic missiles and the operation has achieved its goals successfully."

Saree also said the naval and the missile units of Yemen's Armed Forces conducted a joint military operation targeting the American ship "Pumba" in the Red Sea with a number of ballistic missiles and drones.

Saree underlined that the Yemeni forces would continue their naval operations against Israeli, American, and British ships or those heading to Israeli ports until the regime's aggression stops and the siege on the Palestinian people in the Gaza Strip is lifted.

"The Yemeni armed forces confirm that the response to the Israeli aggression against our country is inevitably coming and will be huge and great," he asserted.

In Hudaydah, at least six people were killed and more than 80 wounded. Firefighters struggled to contain the massive blaze caused by the strike on Hudaydah, with a port employee saying fuel storage tanks and a power plant were still on fire on Sunday. Saudi Arabia urged restraint on Sunday in the wake of the Israeli strike.

The Israeli attack "aggravates the current tension in the region and halts the ongoing efforts to end the war in Gaza," the Saudi Foreign

Ministry said in a statement. It "called on all parties to exercise maximum restraint and to distance the region and its people from the dangers of war."

Iran's Foreign Ministry Spokesman Nasser Kana'ani strongly condemned the Israeli attacks, warning that such aggression risks exacerbating the already dire situation in the region. Kana'ani noted that such dangerous adventurism on the part of Tel Aviv could escalate tensions and fuel the flames of war in the region. Israel said it carried out the attacks in response to hundreds of operations that Yemen's Armed Forces have been conducting against the occupied Palestinian territories and Israeli interests in support of Palestinians in the Gaza Strip, who are enduring a genocidal Israeli-US war. In a daring attack on Friday, the Yemeni forces struck with drones an area near the US consular facility in Tel Aviv early on Friday, killing one person and injuring 10

A giant fire erupts at an oil storage facility following Israeli strikes in Yemen's port city of Hudaydah on July 20, 2024. [AFP](#)

others as the Israeli air defenses failed to intercept the unmanned aerial vehicle. Yemen has been targeting the occupied territories as well as Israeli ships and vessels affiliated with the regime since October 7, 2023 when Tel Aviv began a genocidal war against the Gaza Strip.

They have vowed to keep up their operations as long as the regime sustained the war and a simultaneous siege that it has been enforcing against the Palestinian territory. The Israeli onslaught on Gaza has so far resulted in 38,919 documented Palestinian fatalities, mostly women and children, in addition to 89,622 injuries.