

# IRGC commander awarded after strike on Israel

## International Desk

Leader of the Islamic Revolution Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei has conferred the Order of Fat'h (Conquest) on Brigadier General Amir-Ali Hajizadeh, the commander of the IRGC's Aerospace Division. The order is granted to warriors with dramatic victories. The awarding on Sunday came after Iran's launch of 180 ballistic missiles at Israeli military and intelligence bases in the Tel Aviv area on Tuesday, Press TV reported. "The awarding of the order is

in recognition of the brilliant Operation True Promise," Iran's news agencies reported. The medal consists of the likeness of three palm leaves on top of the grand mosque of Khorramshahr in south-west Iran as a symbol of resistance, the flag of Iran and the word fat'h. In April, Iran launched hundreds of drones and missiles against Israel, in an unprecedented attack that came as a response to the occupying regime's raid on the Iranian consulate in Syria. On Tuesday, the Islamic Revolu-

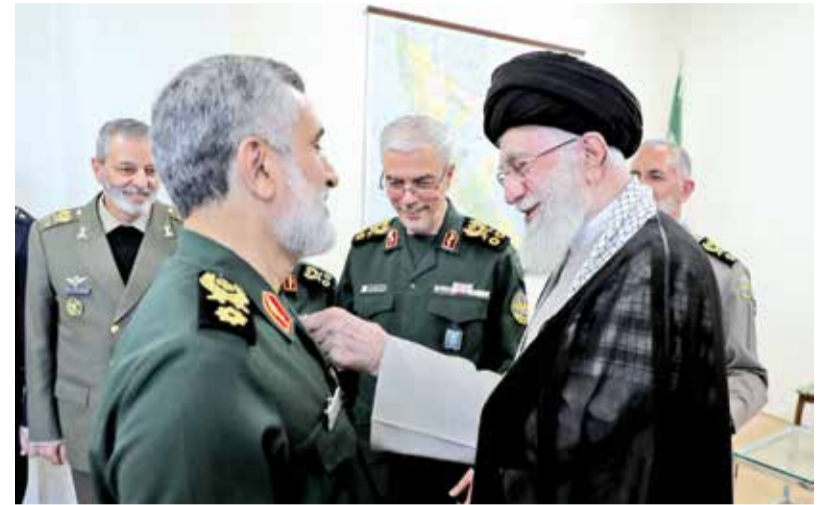
tion Guards Corps launched 180 ballistic missiles at two Israeli airbases housing F-35 and F-15 warplanes as well as the Mossad headquarters in retaliation for the regime's assassination of Hamas and Hezbollah leaders and a top IRGC commander. Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has described the attacks as being "among the largest in history." "Iran has twice fired hundreds of missiles" towards the territories, he said of the retaliation in a video message that was released on Saturday.



Leader of Iran's Islamic Revolution Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei (R) awards Medal of Conquest to Brigadier General Amir-Ali Hajizadeh, the commander of the IRGC's Aerospace Division, in Tehran on Oct. 6, 2024.

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Back in April too, the country had fired more than 300 missiles and drones against the territories in an operation codenamed True Promise in reprisal for deadly aggression by the regime against Iranian diplomatic facilities in the Syrian capital of Damascus.



## Fresh pro-Palestine rallies sweep across world

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Crowds participated in pro-Palestinian protests across the world on Sunday on the eve of the first anniversary of Israel's genocidal war on the Gaza Strip where nearly 42,000 people have lost their lives so far. Sunday's events followed massive rallies that took place Saturday in several European, African and Asian cities, including London, Berlin, Paris, Rome and Cape Town. In Australia, thousands of people on Sunday protested in support of Palestinians and Lebanon in various cities. Samantha Gazal, who came to the rally in Sydney, said she was there "because I can't believe our government is giving impunity to a violent extremist nation and has done nothing. ... We're watching the violence play out on livestream, and they're doing nothing." On October 7 last year, Hamas launched a surprise attack on Israel's positions in the occupied territories, killing nearly 1,200 Israelis and taking 250 people captives. In response, Israel



launched a devastating war on Gaza, which has claimed the lives of more than 41,800 Palestinians so far. In late September, Israel shifted some of its focus to Lebanon where it has killed more than 2,000 people there so far. Since the beginning of war in Gaza, Lebanon's Hezbollah group has been exchanging fire with the Israeli army in support of Palestinians in Gaza. Tens of thousands of Moroccans also protested in Rabat on Sunday in support of Palestinians and against normalization of ties with Israel. In the US, hundreds of people took to the streets of central Detroit and Washington, DC, in a show of support for Palestinians and Lebanese.

In Washington, more than a thousand protesters demonstrated outside the White House, demanding the United States, Israel's top military supplier, stop providing weapons and aid to Israel. Similar protests took place in the Canadian city of Toronto, as well as Mexico's capital, Mexico City. More than a thousand Indonesians gathered outside the US Embassy, calling for an independent Palestine and for the incoming Indonesian government to refuse the normalization of relations with Israel. On Saturday, hundreds of thousands of protesters also marched in cities around the world calling for a cease-fire in Gaza and Lebanon.

## Pezeshkian: Iran's strike aimed at reining in Israel's barbarism

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President Masoud Pezeshkian said Iran's missile attack on Israel's military sites on Tuesday was aimed at reining in the barbarism of the regime and its efforts to spread its aggression across the region. Referring to Israel's assassination of Hamas leader Ismail Haniyeh in Tehran in July, Pezeshkian said that instead of condemning the regime's terrorist actions, Western countries constantly urged the Islamic republic to exercise restraint. He made the remarks in a phone conversation with Dutch Prime Minister Dick Schoof on Sunday. Schoof, for his part, said the Netherlands believes that the West Asia region does

not have the capacity for more tension, saying Amsterdam has asked all parties to refrain from expanding the tension. He said his country has also asked Israel to agree to a cease-fire deal in Gaza. The talks came as Israel kept pounding Lebanon and the Gaza Strip on Sunday, killing more innocent people. Israeli air attacks battered Beirut's southern suburbs overnight and early on Sunday in the most intense bombardment of the Lebanese capital since Israel sharply escalated its campaign against Hezbollah resistance group last month. Lebanon's Health Ministry said on Sunday that Israeli strikes killed 23 people across Lebanon on Satur-



Masoud Pezeshkian

Dick Schoof

day. It was the single biggest attack of Israel's assault on Beirut so far, witnesses and military analysts on local TV channels said. Israel claimed its air force had targeted a number of weapons storage facilities and infrastructure sites belonging to the Hezbollah organization in the area of Beirut. More than 2,000 people have been killed in nearly a year of fighting, most of them in the past two weeks,

according to the Lebanese health ministry. In Gaza, at least 26 Palestinians were killed and many others wounded after Israeli forces attacked a mosque and a school sheltering displaced people in central Gaza's Deir el-Balah, the strip's Health Ministry said. "The Israeli occupation committed three massacres against families in the Gaza Strip, resulting in 45 martyrs and 256 injuries arriving at hospitals during the past 24 hours," it added.

## US sowing insecurity in Red Sea by backing Israel: Iran

Iran's representative at the 82nd session of Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC) expressed Tehran's commitment to international maritime obligations and said the United States is the source of insecurity in the Red Sea region. Pouria Kolivand made the statement in response to "baseless" accusations made by a number of certain countries, led by the United States, against Iran

at the meeting on the security status of the Red Sea, Press Tv reported. "Iran adheres to all its obligations, but America has created insecurity in the region, including in the Red Sea, by supporting the Zionist regime," Kolivand said. The US and its Western government allies have for long been accusing Iran of involvement in and assistance with anti-Israel maritime operations by Yemen's

armed forces in the Red Sea and the Gulf of Aden, an allegation adamantly rejected on numerous occasions by the Islamic Republic. Since October last year, the Israeli regime has been involved in merciless aggression against Palestinians in the besieged Gaza Strip, which has so far claimed nearly 42,000 lives, most of them women and children. The Yemeni armed forces have since carried out operations against Israeli ship-

ping in the Red Sea and the Gulf of Aden by targeting Israel-bound and -owned vessels in retaliation for the regime's onslaught on the blockaded Palestinian territory. Yemen's Al-Masirah television network reported on Friday that the US and UK had carried out 18 airstrikes on several regions in the country, including the capital Sana'a, and the provinces of Dhamar, al-Bayda, and Hudaydah.

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