Leader warns of 'tooth-breaking response' to US, Israel

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Leader of the Islamic Revolution Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei warned the United States and Israel that they will definitely receive a crushing response for their atrocities against Iran and the resistance front.

"The enemies, both the US and the Zionist regime, should know that they will definitely receive a tooth-breaking response for what they are doing against Iran and the resistance front," he said in a meeting with students on Saturday.

Iranian officials have pledged to avenge Israel's act of aggression targeting three Iranian provinces of Ilam, Khuzestan and Tehran in the early hours of October 26.

Israeli warplanes used the space available to the US military in Iraq to fire

long-range air-to-air missiles at Iran's provinces in flagrant violation of international law and the UN Charter.

Israel claims the aggression was a response to Iran's missile attack on the regime's military sites on October 1, itself a retaliation for the assassination of the leaders of Hamas and Hezbollah resistance groups and an Iranian com-

Four members of the Iranian Army's Air Defense Force and one civilian were killed in the attack.

"This is not merely a matter of revenge but a logical action—an approach aligned with religion, ethics, and the Sharia, in accordance with international regulations," Ayatollah Khamenei said.

The Leader made the statements on the occasion of marking the US embassy takeover by Iranian students on November 4, 1979, known as the National Day of the Fight against Global Arrogance.

"We are certainly doing everything necessary to prepare the Iranian nation to stand against arrogance, whether in terms of military readiness, armaments, or political actions, and thank God, our officials are currently engaged in this," the Leader said.

Iran has also warned that it would change its military doctrine to make a nuclear bomb in case of an existential threat.

"What I said [previously that] if its existence is threatened, the Islamic Republic of Iran will revisit its military doctrine, is still in place and we have the capability to build the whole weapon," said Kamal Kharrazi, a senior adviser to the Leader of the Islamic Revolution



UN agency chiefs call northern Gaza situation 'apocalyptic'

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The unfolding situation in the northern Gaza Strip is "apocalyptic," said United Nations chiefs on Friday, warning that its entire population was at "imminent risk" of death. They said the entire Middle East region was now on a precipice and called for an immediate cessation of hostilities.

Israel launched a major air and ground assault in northern Gaza last month, claiming that it wanted to stop Hamas fighters from regrouping there.

"The situation unfolding in North Gaza is apocalyptic," said the joint statement from heads of organizations that form the UN Inter-Agency Standing Committee.

"The area has been under siege for almost a month, denied basic aid and life-saving supplies while bombardment and other attacks continue. Just in the past few days, hundreds of Palestinians have been killed, most of them women and children, and thousands have once again been forcibly displaced.

"The entire Palestinian population in North Gaza is at imminent risk of dying from disease, famine and violence."

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fighting in the besieged Palestinian territory to protect civilians, and called on Israel "to cease its assault on Gaza and on the humanitarians trying to help."

"Humanitarian aid cannot keep up with the scale of the needs due to the access constraints. Basic, life-saving goods are not available. Humanitarians are not safe to do their work and are blocked by Israeli forces and by insecurity from reaching people in need," they said.

"Humanitarian relief must be facilitated, and we urge all parties to provide unimpeded access to affected people," while hospitals "should not turn into battlegrounds." The statement was signed by the heads of the UN humanitarian, health, food, rights, migration, refugee, development, children and women's agencies, among others.

"The entire region is on the edge of a precipice. An immediate cessation of hostilities and a sustained, unconditional cease-fire are long overdue," they said.

Gaza's Health Ministry said on Saturday that at least 55 people were killed and 192 others injured across Gaza in just 24 hours.

Israel's genocide in Gaza has killed at least 43,314 Palestinians and wounded 102,019 since October 7, 2023.

At least 25 towns and villages in Lebanon's Bekaa Valley also came under heavy Israeli air attacks on Friday, killing dozens of people.

At least 2,897 people have been killed and 13,150 wounded in Israeli attacks against Lebanon since the war on Gaza began, with 30 people killed across the country in 24 hours, the Lebanese Health Ministry said on Saturday.

SCO roundly condemns Israeli aggression on Iran

The Shanghai Cooperation Organization (sco) in a statement condemned a recent aggression of the Israeli regime against Iran's military facilities and expressed deep concern over the escalating situation in the West Asia region.

The statement was issued during a four-hour emergency meeting called by Iran on October 31 following the regime's attack on Iran on October 26, IRNA reported.

The member states voiced grave concern over the escalating situation in the Middle East, which poses a significant threat to international peace, securi-

ty, and stability.
They also called for the immediate implementation of effective measures to stabilize the region through political and diplomatic means in accordance with the recognized norms of international law, including those outlined in the UN Charter.
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puring the meeting, Iran's permanent representative to the SCO Mohammad Rasoul Jafari addressed the root causes of the current situation in the region, attributing it to the occupation of Palestinian land and the genocide of Palestinians by the Israeli regime.

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gime's brutal crimes against the civilian population of Gaza over the past year, which have resulted in the deaths of more than 43,000 residents of the Gaza Strip. Jafari called for a strong condemnation of the Israeli regime's actions and emphasized the need to prevent the continuation of these crimes.

the Israeli regime has launched a devastating war on the Gaza Strip, which has claimed the lives of more than 43,000 Palestinians – mostly women and children. The regime has also expanded the war into Lebanon where more than 2,800 people have been killed in the Israeli strikes.

Israeli secret services make arrests after leak probe in Netanyahu's office

Several people have been arrested and questioned by Israeli security services as part of a probe into how secret documents that favored Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's policies in Gaza were leaked to two foreign newspapers.

The arrests were made public after Israeli newspapers convinced a court to partially lift a gag order related to the investigation, with the court telling the newspapers that the leaks "may have damaged Israel's war goals in

the Gaza Strip", Financial Times reported.

"Several suspects were arrested for questioning, and the investigation is ongoing," the judge said in court, in remarks cited by local media.

Netanyahu had earlier in the day asked for the order to be lifted too. Israeli media reported on Friday that one of the suspects is a press adviser to Netanyahu but not an employee of his office.

"Contrary to the false publications and the appear-

ance that the media try to paint, no one from the prime minister's office was investigated or arrested," Netanyahu's office said.

The leaks to the UK-based Jewish Chronicle and Germany's Bild Zeitung cited documents found in Gaza that showed Hamas planned to divide Israeli society with propaganda efforts about the captives. They also suggested the group wanted to smuggle the captives to Egypt via tunnels under the socalled Philadelphi corridor,

which separates Gaza from Egypt. The Israel Defense Forces had seized the area in May

The stories appeared at the end of August and beginning of September when regular mass street protests in Tel Aviv were piling pressure on Netanyahu to accept a cease-fire to free the captives.

Netanyahu refused to give up control of the Philadelphi corridor, which many regional diplomats believe was a big reason for the negotiations failing.

American plot against ...

According to the American-Israeli cease-fire

cease-fire plan, Israel reserves the right to conduct military operations within Lebanon in coordination with the US, provided that Israel withdraws its forces from Lebanon in seven days and fully implements the agreement during a 60-day cease-fire. Moreover, the draft mentions

the disarmament of Hezbollah by the Lebanese army.

army.
Amos Hochstein, US President Joe Biden's envoy, has been responsible for drafting the cease-fire agreement between Lebanon and the Israeli regime. The terms of the draft are heavily biased in favor of Israel, with any potential commitments from the Lebanese gov-

ernment resembling a capitulation to Israeli demands.

In 2006, following the 33-day war, the UN Security Council adopted Resolution 1701 to halt hostilities between Hezbollah and the occupying army. The resolution mandates that the area between the Blue Line (the demarcation line between Lebanon and occupied Palestine) and the Litani

River in southern Lebanon be free of armed forces and military equipment, except for the Lebanese army and UNIFIL troops. However, the proposed cease-fire grants Israel permission for military presence on Lebanese soil. The plan is viewed as part of a larger strategy in the West Asia region, aimed at advancing aggressive and hegemonic Western-Israe-

li agendas. Key objectives include: 1) terminating the conflict in Lebanon by transforming it into internal strife; 2) suppressing and asserting Israeli dominance over the Gaza Strip; 3) shifting the conflict to territories further afield, such as Iran, Iraq, and Yemen; and 4) rendering other Islamic countries in the region passive in the face of regional de-

velopments.

These goals illustrate the intent to separate the Gaza cease-fire from that of Lebanon and further dissociate them from the proxy wars waged by the American-Israeli alliance against other members of the Resistance Axis.

From the outset of Israel's aggression against the Gaza Strip, members of the Resistance Front have repeatedly emphasized that the primary focus should be ending the war in Gaza and halting the crimes of the Israeli regime in occupied Palestine. However, an analysis of Western-Israeli war diplomacy reveals a conspiratorial effort to manage the battlefield in favor of Israel, aimed at achieving long-term regional dominance.