

Situation Report | “Rising Lion”, Israel-Iran War

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Rising Lion

Israel on a War to Remove an Existential Nuclear and Missile Threat by Iran

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+29

Leadership targeted & killed

+38

Military bases hit in Iran

+9

Nuclear facilities Targeted

3

Energy sites hit

+350

Total Israeli Strikes



Missiles, Rockets, and Drones Launched at Israel

25

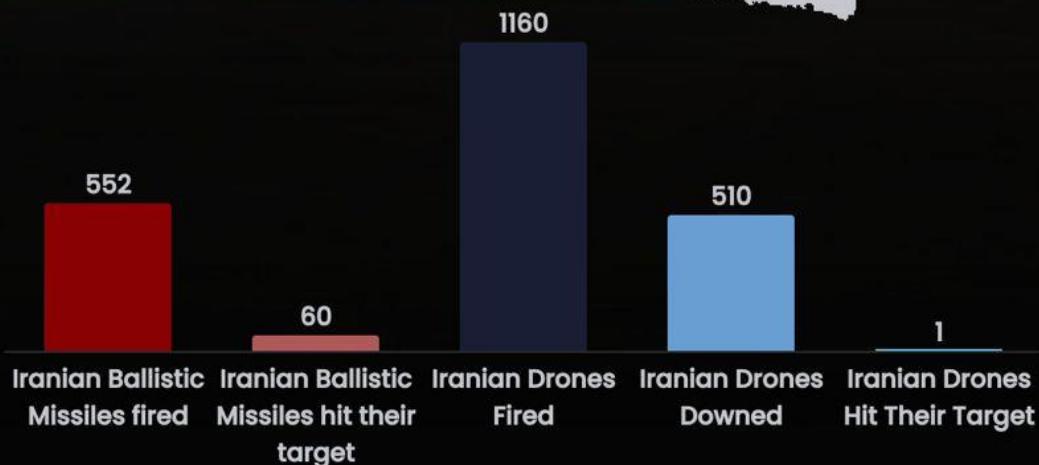
Israeli Fatalities

+1100

Israeli Injured

+10,600

Israelis evacuated from home



Iranian Parliament Burning American Flag



Attacks in Iran



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Operational Clock War: Starting +275Hrs.

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Military Developments

Israeli Operations

- The IDF is striking regime targets in central Tehran with unprecedented force, which may indicate a possible change to weakening the regime and empowering anti-regime forces in Iran. Key sites targeted include:
 - Basij headquarters
 - Evin Prison (holding political prisoners and regime opponents)
 - The ‘Destruction of Israel’ clock in Palestine Square
 - Internal security headquarters of the Revolutionary Guards
 - Headquarters and other assets belonging to Iran’s internal security forces and the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps.
- The IDF assesses that numerous IRGC soldiers were killed in the Tehran strikes.
- Strikes on access roads to the Fordo facility, stating the attacks were meant to “disrupt” the site’s accessibility.
- On Monday morning, Israel targeted **Iran’s Fordow nuclear facility**, confirmed by Iranian officials and other sources, a day after the US struck the same site.
- The IDF attacked six airports across Iran (western, eastern, and central regions), causing damage to runways, underground bunkers, a refueling aircraft, and various fighter jets (F-14, F-5, AH-1). The IDF stated these strikes were designed to **strengthen Israeli dominance over Iranian airspace** and to destroy aircraft that could be used against Israel.
- More than **15 IAF fighter jets also targeted surface-to-surface missile launch and storage sites in Kermanshah**, aiming to diminish Iran’s ability to launch ballistic missiles.

Iranian Attacks

- **Iran continued to attack Israel**, but the scope of these actions appears to be diminished. A recent **Iranian strike early Monday included just one ballistic missile**, a notable drop from previous barrages. However, a **barrage later than morning included approximately 10 missiles**.
- **Strategic infrastructure was hit**, with Energy and Infrastructure Minister Eli Cohen reporting that approximately **8,000 people in southern Israel lost electricity** due to missile strikes near a critical facility.

- An Israeli **unmanned aircraft (UAV) was downed inside Iranian territory**, according to an IDF statement on Monday morning. The IDF confirmed that there was no intelligence leak from the incident.
- **Early Monday**, the IDF downed a drone launched toward the southern city of Eilat, preventing it from entering Israeli airspace. The origin of the drone was not specified.
- On Sunday, an **Iranian missile barrage resulted in 86 Israeli civilians wounded**.
- According to different reports, Iran sent a message already at the G-7 summit that if U.S.A. will get involved in the conflict, it will operate sleeper-cells inside the borders of the US

US Reactions

- **President Donald Trump publicly mused about regime change** in Iran on Sunday night, writing on Truth Social: “It’s not politically correct to use the term, ‘Regime Change,’ but if the current Iranian Regime is unable to MAKE IRAN GREAT AGAIN, why wouldn’t there be a Regime change??? MIGA!!!”.
- This statement marks a **significant shift in American messaging**, raising the specter of regime change – a controversial topic to Trump’s base, in which “regime change” is seen as the first step in “forever wars”.
- In contrast, other top **US officials sought to reassure the public that the US is not at war with Iran**. **Vice President JD Vance** told NBC’s Meet the Press, “We’re not at war with Iran,” while Secretary of State Marco Rubio described recent US strikes as “not a regime change move.” This divergence is probably less a reflection of an internal debate and more likely intentional dual signaling to both US allies and adversaries.
- **The US began evacuation flights for American citizens from Israel** and opened an online form for registration.
- In Lebanon, the **US Embassy ordered family members and non-essential staff to leave**, highlighting concerns over regional escalation and Iranian proxies.
- The New York Times, reported that **American intelligence indicated that Iran-backed groups in Iraq were preparing attacks on US bases**.

Details about US Strike

Israeli and US coordination was critical **in the recent strikes**. **Israeli officials told The Jerusalem Post that once the US had decided to attack the Iranian nuclear weapons sites**, Prime Minister Netanyahu and Strategic Affairs Minister Ron Dermer convinced President Trump to target Iran’s Isfahan facility as well as Fordow. **American forces struck locations that were reportedly inaccessible to Israeli assets, with Israel providing essential intelligence while maintain air superiority throughout the US attack. Multiple high-level calls took place between US and Israeli leadership, underscoring full operational cooperation and mutual reliance during this phase of the campaign.**

Geopolitical Reactions

Israel

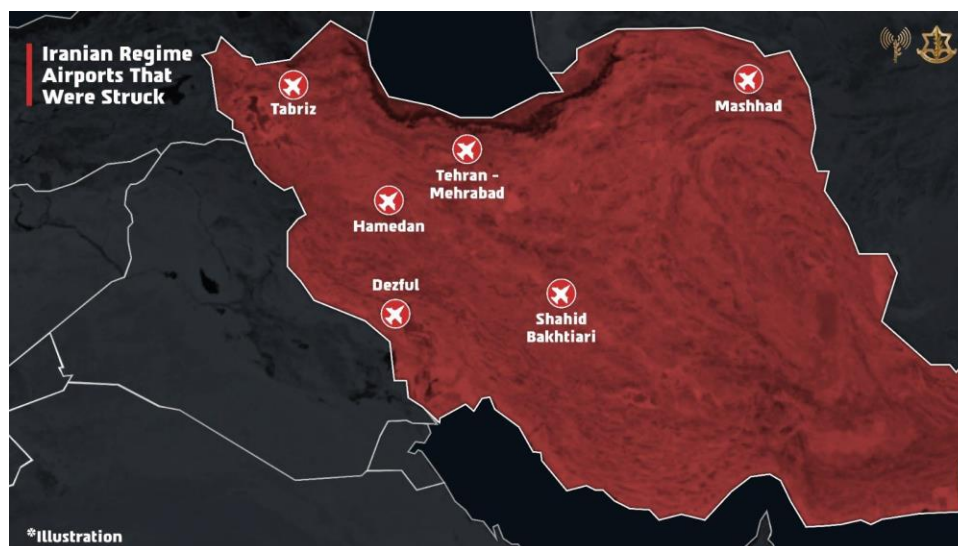
- **Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu** addressed the nation in both Hebrew and English, emphasizing that Israel “will not be **dragged into a war of attrition**” and intends to **end the Iran conflict as soon as the core objectives are met**. “When we achieve the goals, we will not continue with actions beyond what is necessary. But we will not finish too early.”
- **Netanyahu reiterated Israel’s dual objectives: (1) eliminating the Iranian nuclear threat and (2) defeating Hamas, including securing the return of all hostages**. He thanked President Trump and the United States for their robust support and operational partnership.

Iran

- **Foreign minister Abbas Araghchi** said the US had “**crossed a very big red line**” with its bombing raid and that now was not the time for diplomacy. Araghchi said: “The door for diplomacy should be always kept open. But this is not the case right now.” Iran “reserves all options to defend its sovereignty... for as long as necessary”.
- **Ali Akbar Velayati, senior adviser to Supreme Leader Khamenei**, warned that Iran may retaliate for American attacks by targeting US bases across the region. Velayati declared: “**Any country in the region or elsewhere that is used by American forces to strike Iran** will be considered a legitimate target for our armed forces.”

International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)

- According to chief **Rafael Grossi** US bombing likely caused “very significant” damage to the underground **Fordow uranium enrichment plant** in Iran, but the full extent is still unknown.



The IDF struck 6 regime airports across western, central, and eastern Iran, destroying runways, underground hangars, refueling aircraft, F-14, F-5 and AH-1 aircraft. | Credit: IDF spokesperson



IAF fighter jets struck the "Imam Hussein" Strategic Missile Command Center, where long-range Khorramshahr missiles were stored. | Credit: IDF spokesperson



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President Trump's Truth Social post suggesting regime change | Credit: Truth Social