

ISRAEL WEEKLY WAR SUMMARY

WEEK #104

SEPTEMBER 28-OCTOBER 4 ,2025



President Trump and Prime Minister Netanyahu 21 point Plan Press Conference

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ACCOUNT OF THE MAIN EVENTS IN THE ISRAEL-HAMAS WAR AND HOSTILITIES BY THE IRANIAN AXIS

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OVERVIEW

- ◆ **Trump–Netanyahu 21-Point Plan:** Trump unveiled a Gaza peace plan with a phased ceasefire contingent on the release of all hostages. Hamas showed conditional interest but refused disarmament, leaving potential agreement uncertain pending response.
- ◆ **Hamas Leadership Relocation:** Hamas rejected disarmament, proposed moving leadership to Latin America, and praised Colombia's anti-Israel stance signaling intent to sustain global operations despite Arab pressure.
- ◆ **“Sumud” Flotilla Intercepted: IDF intercepted 40 pro-Hamas vessels attempting to breach the Gaza blockade; no aid found. The operation ended safely, but Colombia expelled Israel's diplomats and canceled its trade agreement with Israel.**
- ◆ **Netanyahu's Apology Sparks Backlash:** Netanyahu's apology to Qatar after a Doha airstrike drew criticism from Israeli politicians, exposing rifts over diplomacy and wartime decision-making.
- ◆ **Terror Wave in Judea and Samaria:** Palestinian terrorists attacked Israeli teens near Gush Etzion; Hamas claimed further attacks. IDF foiled smuggling, shootings, and infiltration attempts across the region.
- ◆ **Hezbollah–Iran Escalation:** IDF killed three Hezbollah operatives in Lebanon. Hezbollah and Iran intensified anti-Israel rhetoric, expanded military coordination, and face mounting internal unrest and international sanctions.
- ◆ **Global Antisemitism Intensifies:** A terrorist murdered two Jews at a Manchester synagogue on Yom Kippur; ensuing London riots highlighted growing antisemitic violence fueled by anti-Israel propaganda.



ISRAEL AT WAR WEEK 104

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Total Israeli casualties This Week

0

Total Civilians killed this week

1

Total IDF Casualties this week

MAIN EVENTS

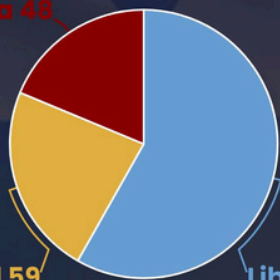
Trump unveiled a 21-point Gaza peace plan; Hamas showed conditional openness but refused disarmament. Israel awaits response as ceasefire and hostage talks intensify.

IDF intercepted 40 pro-Hamas ships violating Gaza blockade. No aid found, only propaganda. Operation ended safely; Colombia cut ties with Israel.

IDF killed three Hezbollah operatives; Hezbollah and Iran intensified anti-Israel rhetoric while facing internal unrest and deepening regional isolation.

HOSTAGES IN GAZA 48/255

In Gaza 48



Liberated Dead 59

Liberated Alive 149

ATTACKS ON ISRAEL & ALLIES 6/37,301

This Week Since Oct.7

19834

13773

2180

887

534

Lebanon

Gaza

Iran

Houthi

Syria & Iraq

Judea & Samaria + Israel Front



1/110

This Week Since Oct.7
0 Civilians and 1 security force fell.



11,371

Since Oct.7
Palestinian Terror Attacks since Oct.7
Over 7,000 Palestinians Arrested



Gaza Front



0/1,705

This Week Since Oct.7
0 IDF soldiers fell in battle. 0 hostage were returned dead.



24,500

Since Oct.7
Hamas terrorists killed. Over 275 Senior officials killed since Oct.7



Lebanon Front



0/132

This Week Since Oct.7
0 civilian and 0 IDF soldiers fell.



+3,500

Since Oct.7
Hizbollah terrorists killed, 154 Hezbollah Leadership killed.



Greater Middle East Front



0/32

This Week Since Oct.7
0 Civilian killed this week.



+3,696

Since Oct.7
Attacks on Israel. +884 from Yemen, 2180 from Iran, +632 from other



DIPLOMATIC - HOSTAGE NEGOTIATIONS

PRESIDENT TRUMP END TO THE WAR 21 POINT PLAN

GAZA

On September 29th, U.S. President Donald Trump met in Washington with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu to unveil a **comprehensive 21-point peace plan** aimed at **ending the war in Gaza** and **broadening the Abraham Accords**. Netanyahu expressed cautious support for the initiative, emphasizing that **Israel's primary conditions remain the dismantling of Hamas's military infrastructure, the return of all hostages, and firm security guarantees**. The plan outlined the **immediate release of all hostages, a phased ceasefire, gradual withdrawal of Israeli forces, and the establishment of a temporary technocratic government in Gaza under international supervision**. It also envisioned a **regional framework involving moderate Arab states** contributing to Gaza's reconstruction and governance. **President Trump clarified** that he expects **Hamas to respond without delay**, warning that a **negative response** would result in the **full unleashing of the IDF** to "do what they need to do."

Hamas responded a few days later, showing **willingness to negotiate** under the **Trump 21-point plan**, but did not agree to the plan itself, only to **begin talks based on it**.



Hamas official Osama Hamdan said the group won't accept foreign forces in Gaza and that key decisions require a wider Palestinian consensus.

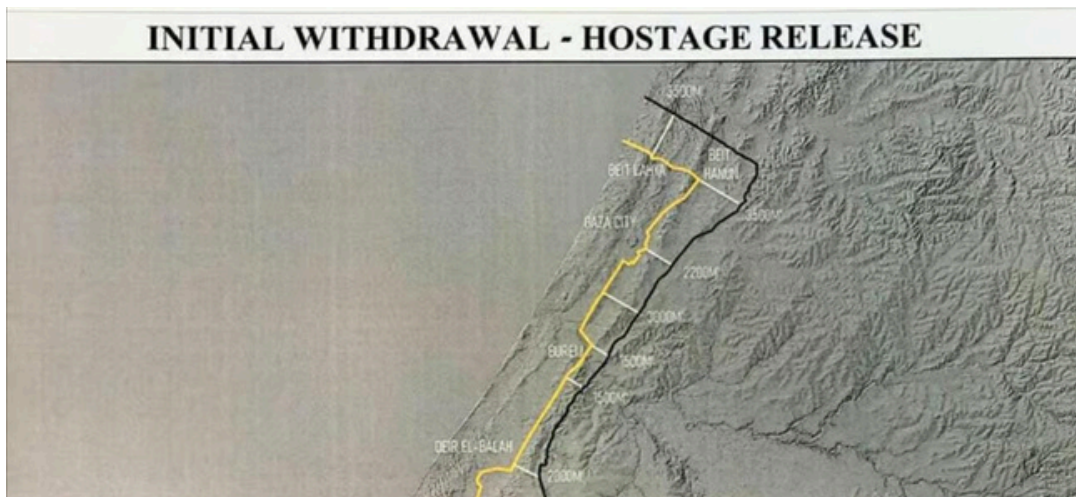
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In light of Hamas's conditional readiness, **President Trump urged Israel to halt all military operations** in Gaza to create an environment for talks **“not under fire.”** He warned that continued bombardment would **undermine hostage release efforts and hinder diplomacy.** Israeli sources confirmed the IDF began scaling down airstrikes and adopted a defensive posture while awaiting diplomatic progress. **Trump set a deadline—Sunday evening, Washington time—for Hamas's formal response, warning that failure would bring serious consequences.**

Major disagreements remain between Israel, Hamas, and the U.S. The **most serious dispute** concerns **Hamas's refusal to disarm, a core Israeli and U.S. demand.** Tensions persist over the **timeline of ceasefire and withdrawals,** with Hamas demanding **binding guarantees** before compliance. Another divide centers on the nature of **Gaza's future governance,** as the plan excludes Hamas from political power. **Israel insists on maintaining a limited IDF presence** until full security is assured, while **Hamas rejects any Israeli presence.** Both sides **doubt the effectiveness of international oversight mechanisms.** **Trump's strict deadlines and Hamas's insistence on keeping light arms** further complicate talks.

On Saturday night, president Trump published on Truth Social a map of the Israeli agreed upon withdrawal lines which will set the stage for the beginning of the hostage release and the implementation of the ceasefire, if Hamas is to accept the terms of the deal.



Map of the Israeli withdrawal

Source: Trump Truth Social Account



The **current situation** is the closest yet to a potential **agreement** that could **end the war**, **secure Israel's key objectives**, and **ensure swift hostage release**.. Simultaneously, there is a **reasonable expectation** that the **Abraham Accords** may **expand**, as **new countries** consider **normalizing relations** —potentially **reviving regional peace efforts** stalled since **October 7, 2023**.

HAMAS INTERNAL LEADERSHIP

- ◆ Abu Shamala, a Hamas affiliate, urged Hamas's leadership to **relocate from Arab states to Latin America**, specifically **Brazil or Colombia**. He stated Hamas must **never compromise on Palestinian rights** or **yield to Arab pressure**, adding that **Latin America offers new opportunities** to form a **"global force for the liberation of Palestine"** and to **negotiate with the U.S.**
- ◆ Hamas **praised Colombia's president** for **expelling Israel's diplomatic mission** and **canceling the free-trade agreement** with Israel, calling it a **"justified response"** to Israel's **interception of the 'Sumud' flotilla** heading for Gaza to **break the "unjust siege."**
- ◆ According to **The Wall Street Journal**, **Gaza Hamas leader Ezz al-Din al-Haddad** **rejected full disarmament** but offered to **transfer rockets and heavy weapons to Egypt**, while **retaining light arms** like **assault rifles**, which Hamas **classifies as defensive weapons**.



SUMUD" FLOTILLA"

- ◆ The so-called "Global Sumud Flotilla", a coalition of over 40 vessels and hundreds of foreign activists attempted to illegally breach Israel's lawful naval blockade of Gaza, which exists to prevent the smuggling of weapons and materials to Hamas. The IDF Navy intercepted the flotilla safely and professionally, boarding the ships in international waters after repeated warnings were ignored. No shots were fired, and the operation was completed without casualties.
- ◆ Upon inspection, no humanitarian aid was found on board, only propaganda materials and recording equipment. Israel emphasized that genuine humanitarian assistance can be transferred legally through established land crossings in coordination with international agencies. The flotilla, therefore, was a deliberate provocation organized by radical groups linked to IHH, some of which have documented ties to Hamas and other Islamist movements.
- ◆ All participants were treated according to international law. They were transferred to Ashdod Port, where they underwent security screening and medical checks before being returned to their home countries. Dozens were deported in coordination with foreign embassies. Israel reiterated that no violence was used against detainees and that the operation focused solely on maintaining regional security and preventing terrorist infiltration by sea.



IDF trucks carrying speakers into Gaza to play Prime Ministers' speech in Gaza

DOMESTIC ISRAEL

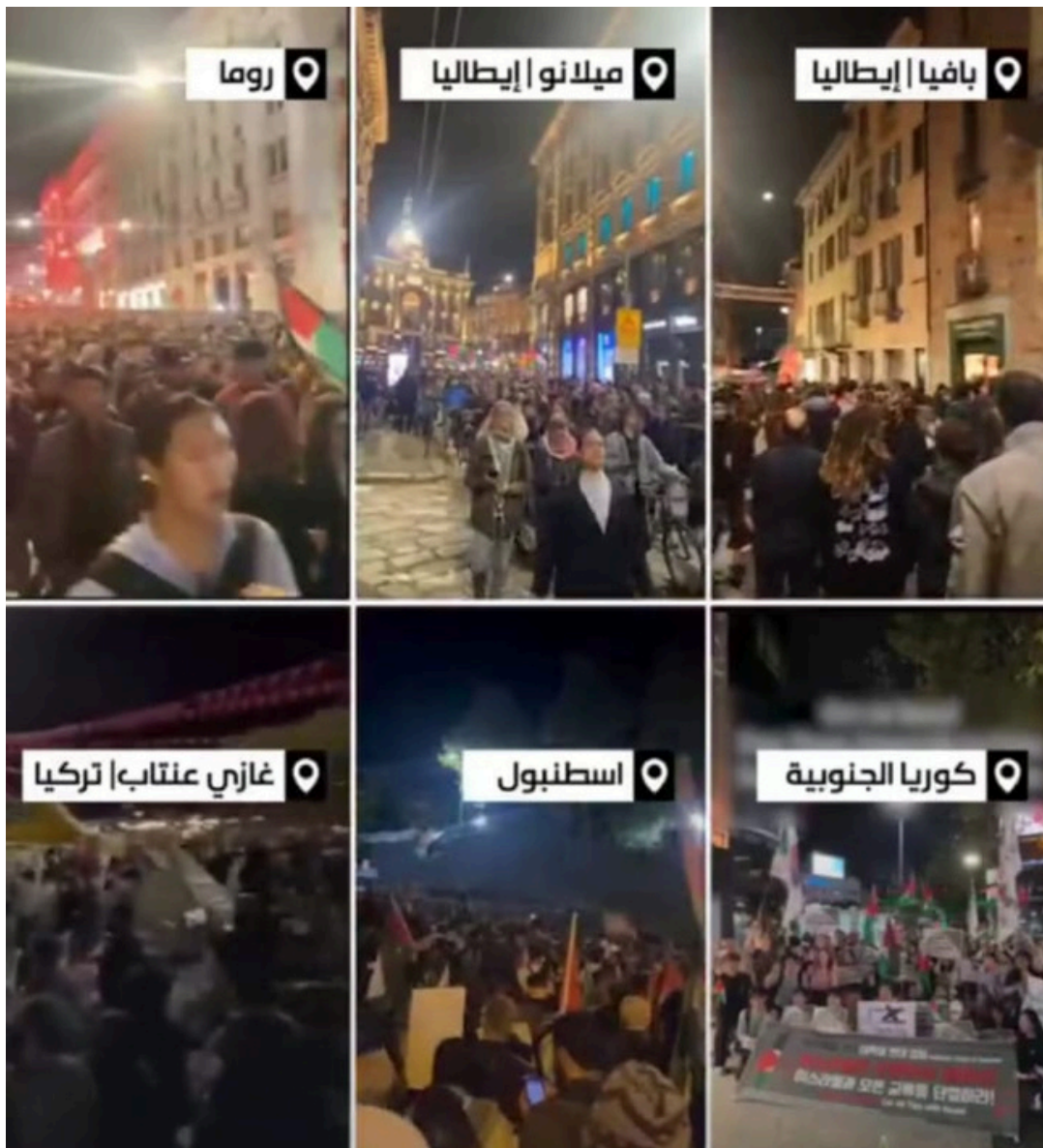


Flotilla participants in Israel post interception,
processed and upon deportation to their
respective countries

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- Following the interception, **anti-Israel protests erupted in several European cities**, incited largely by **misinformation campaigns** spread by flotilla organizers and sympathetic groups. Despite these demonstrations, **many Western governments reaffirmed Israel's right to defend its borders and enforce the maritime blockade against a terrorist-controlled territory**. Israeli officials stated that the flotilla's failure underscores **the effectiveness of Israel's security coordination and naval deterrence**, as well as the **importance of maintaining international awareness of Hamas's ongoing attempts to exploit humanitarian narratives for political gain**.



Protests around the world following the IDF's takeover of the ships.

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INTERNAL: MILITARY

- ◆ The **IDF thwarted** an attempt to **smuggle M16 rifles** into Israel using a **drone from the Egyptian border**.
- ◆ **Hamas claimed responsibility** for a **shooting near the Samaria town of Kedumim**, seriously wounding a **20-year-old Israeli**. In its statement, Hamas vowed to **escalate resistance** and “**ignite the battlefield**” against Israel and who they called “settlers”, calling this the “**strongest response to oppression and “genocide”**.”
- ◆ **Hamas launched five rockets** toward the southern Israeli city of Ashdod; **four were intercepted**, and one fell in an open area. **No casualties were reported**.
- ◆ A **terrorist infiltrated an IDF position** near **Al-Maghazi camp**. The **terrorist was killed**, while **one officer was seriously wounded** and **two soldiers were lightly injured**.
- ◆ **IDF forces foiled a car-ramming attempt** at the **Beit Sira checkpoint in the Binyamin region of Samaria** which resulted in the elimination of **one terrorist**, the arrest of **two others**, and **no Israeli casualties**.



INTERNAL: POLITICAL

- ◆ Following the Trump-Netanyahu press conference, **Netanyahu** faced **sharp domestic backlash** after issuing an apology to Qatar over an Israeli airstrike in Doha, which Qatar condemned as a violation of its sovereignty that killed a Qatari security officer during hostage-negotiation talks. He expressed “deep regret” and vowed that Israel would not repeat such a breach.
- ◆ **Finance Minister Bezalel Smotrich**, among others, strongly denounced the apology, calling it a “disgrace” and “humiliating,” likening it to the 1938 Munich Agreement. Critics such as MKs Itamar Ben-Gvir, Avigdor Liberman, and Yair Golan also accused Netanyahu of weakness, betrayal, and undermining Israel’s standing.
- ◆ This backlash occurred against the backdrop of rising tensions in Israel’s coalition government, which already faces pressure over handling the Gaza war and Israel’s international diplomacy. Netanyahu’s apology was widely viewed as a diplomatic concession to preserve Qatar’s mediator role, but one that aggravated his own political base. The reaction was most likely anticipated and justified by the Netanyahu government as a necessary act that could lead to the release of all hostages.



- ◆ A terror attack occurred near the **Al-Khader junction** on the road connecting **Jerusalem and Gush Etzion**, when a Palestinian terrorist rammed his vehicle into a group of Israeli teenagers. Two boys, ages **15 and 16**, were injured, one seriously, and evacuated to hospitals in Jerusalem. The attacker, identified as **Mahdi Muhammad Awad Dirieh**, 32, from **Beit Fajjar**, exited the vehicle armed with a knife and attempted to continue the assault before being **neutralized by Col. (res.) Hezi Nehama**, who happened to be passing by. IDF forces immediately sealed off the area, set up checkpoints, and began searching nearby villages for possible accomplices. The attack is part of an **ongoing wave of violence in Judea and Samaria**, where Israeli security forces have faced repeated car-ramming and shooting attempts in recent weeks.



- ◆ **IDF Eliminates Hezbollah Terrorists in Lebanon:**
During Yom Kippur, the IDF conducted a **precise drone strike in southern Lebanon**, killing **three Hezbollah operatives** involved in surveillance and attack planning against Israel. The strike was part of Israel's **ongoing counter-terror campaign** to prevent Hezbollah from opening a **northern front** while the war against Hamas continues in Gaza.



Hezbollah leader Naim Qassem said that Trump's peace plan is an Israeli scheme under American cover, meant to serve Israel's war goals and improve its global image

Source: Abu Ali Express on Telegram

- ◆ **Hezbollah Escalates Anti-Israel Propaganda:**
Hezbollah Secretary-General Naim Qassem delivered a speech filled with **Iranian-backed rhetoric**, accusing Israel and the U.S. of pursuing a "Greater Israel" plan. He falsely portrayed Israel's **defensive operations in Gaza** and regional peace initiatives as part of an American-Zionist conspiracy. Qassem also denounced **Trump's 21-point peace plan**, echoing **Iran's narrative of resistance** and calling for regional confrontation against Israel.



- ◆ **Hezbollah's Political Influence Crumbling in Lebanon:**
While Qassem claimed Hezbollah maintains strong influence in Lebanese politics, **the organization's dominance has deepened Lebanon's economic and political collapse. Public frustration is growing**, with more Lebanese citizens **blaming Hezbollah's corruption and loyalty to Iran** for the country's decline. Despite Hezbollah's insistence that the public supports its armed presence, **many Lebanese now view it as an obstacle to national recovery.**
- ◆ **Israeli Assessment – Containing Hezbollah's Threat:**
Israel views Hezbollah's recent statements as **attempts to mask weakness and internal pressure.** The IDF remains committed to **preventing escalation from Lebanon**, while holding Beirut responsible for attacks from its territory. Israeli officials assess that **Hezbollah is acting under direct Iranian influence**, exploiting Lebanon's instability to advance **Tehran's regional agenda** while **endangering Lebanese civilians and sovereignty.**



- ◆ Syrian security forces intercepted a large weapons shipment intended for Hezbollah in Lebanon. Internal security units in the city of Qusayr, in the rural Homs region, discovered significant quantities of weaponry, including mortar shells, RPG rounds, 12.7mm heavy machine guns, and 200 Grad rockets.
- ◆ Syrian Foreign Minister Assad al-Shibani accused Israel of undermining Syria's efforts to contain sectarian violence in the south, claiming that Israel supported armed groups, worsening tensions between the Bedouin and Druze communities. He added that Israeli airstrikes in Syria following the fall of the Assad regime were "shocking" and further destabilized the region.
- ◆ A Syrian Defense Ministry delegation, headed by Chief of Staff Ali al-Naasan, visited Russia to inspect advanced air defense systems, drones, and other Russian military technology, signaling continued military cooperation between Damascus and Moscow.



- ◆ **Iran escalates anti-Israel and anti-Western rhetoric:**
Iranian Foreign Minister **Abbas Araghchi** rejected the **renewed UN sanctions** as “illegitimate,” vowing that Tehran would **continue advancing its nuclear and missile programs** despite international pressure.
- ◆ **Threats against Europe and defiance of the West:**
Parliament Speaker **Mohammad Qalibaf** threatened “**severe retaliation**” against any European country enforcing sanctions, boasting of Iran’s **missile arsenal** as a deterrent against Israel and Western powers.
- ◆ **Military buildup and regional coordination:**
Senior Iranian commanders, including **Chief of Staff Abdolrahim Mousavi** and **Defense Minister Aziz Nasirzadeh**, toured bases and held meetings with **Turkish officials** to strengthen defense cooperation. Israel views this as part of Iran’s effort to **expand its regional military axis and bolster proxy capabilities** across the Middle East.



Iranian Chief of Staff Abdolrahim Mousavi
meeting with Turkish officials

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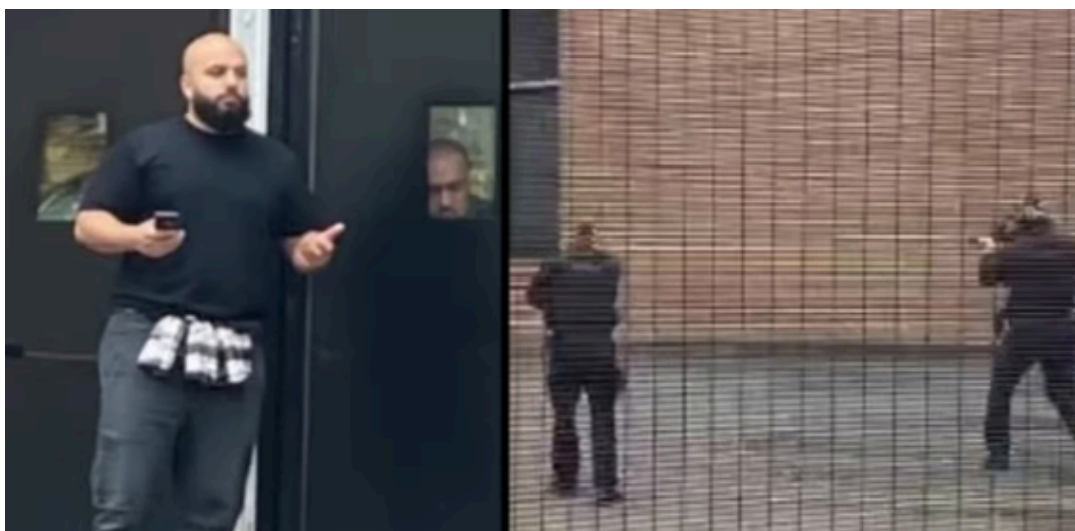


- ◆ **Support for Hezbollah and regional destabilization:**
Iranian and Hezbollah leaders met in Beirut to **coordinate actions against Israel**, with Tehran pledging to “**support the resistance at all levels.**” Israel assesses this as part of Iran’s **broader strategy to encircle Israel through its proxies** in Lebanon, Syria, and Gaza.
- ◆ **International isolation and renewed sanctions:**
Japan, the United Kingdom, and other Western allies have reinstated **sweeping economic and defense sanctions** targeting Iran’s **energy, banking, and military industries**, reflecting growing global alignment with Israel’s stance that **Iran’s nuclear defiance and regional aggression** represent a **direct threat** to global stability.





- ◆ In a politically motivated decision, Colombia canceled its free trade agreement with Israel and expelled the Israeli diplomatic mission from Bogotá. The move followed the IDF's lawful interception of the so-called "Freedom Flotilla to Gaza", which was organized by groups linked to Hamas and other extremist organizations. Jerusalem condemned the decision as a surrender to terrorist pressure and a betrayal of democratic values.
- ◆ On Yom Kippur, the holiest day of the Jewish year, a Muslim terrorist carried out a car-ramming and stabbing attack at a Manchester synagogue, murdering two Jews before being neutralized by British security forces. The attacker was reportedly wearing an explosive belt, possibly fake, indicating premeditation and intent to cause mass casualties. The attack has been described in Israel as part of the growing wave of global antisemitism fueled by anti-Israel incitement.



Syrian Terrorist in Manchester

Source: @hsom67 on X

- ◆ The day after the Manchester terror attack, violent pro-Palestinian and antisemitic riots broke out in central London, where demonstrators clashed with police outside the Prime Minister's residence on Downing Street. Protesters waved Hamas flags, shouted anti-Jewish slogans, and attacked officers, while British authorities struggled to contain the unrest. Israel called on European governments to take stronger action against antisemitic incitement disguised as "pro-Palestinian activism."

