

ISRAEL UNDER ATTACK

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At 6:35 a.m., October 7th, in what should have been a peaceful Shabbat and holiday morning Israeli men, women, and children awoke to unspeakable horror as the terrorist organization Hamas, which controls the Gaza Strip, launched a coordinated, multipronged attack on Israeli civilians across much of the country.

The attack encompassed land, sea, and air operations, which involved the use of underground tunnels, hang gliders, and jeeps.

Commencing with the launch of over 3,250 rockets targeting Israeli civilian areas and a ground invasion of Israel, Hamas has also encouraged others to join their armed efforts.

Tragically, the terror attack included the most murdered Jews on any single day since the Holocaust, with more than 700 Israelis killed and approximately 2,150 wounded. Additionally, an estimated 130 men, women, and children have been kidnapped and taken to Gaza.



Hamas is carrying out this massacre in Southern Israel by systematically invading homes and attacking civilians with the intention of causing maximum harm to innocent people.

An outdoor music festival in Southern Israel near the Gaza border was directly attacked, leaving dozens of youths who attended the event unaccounted for.

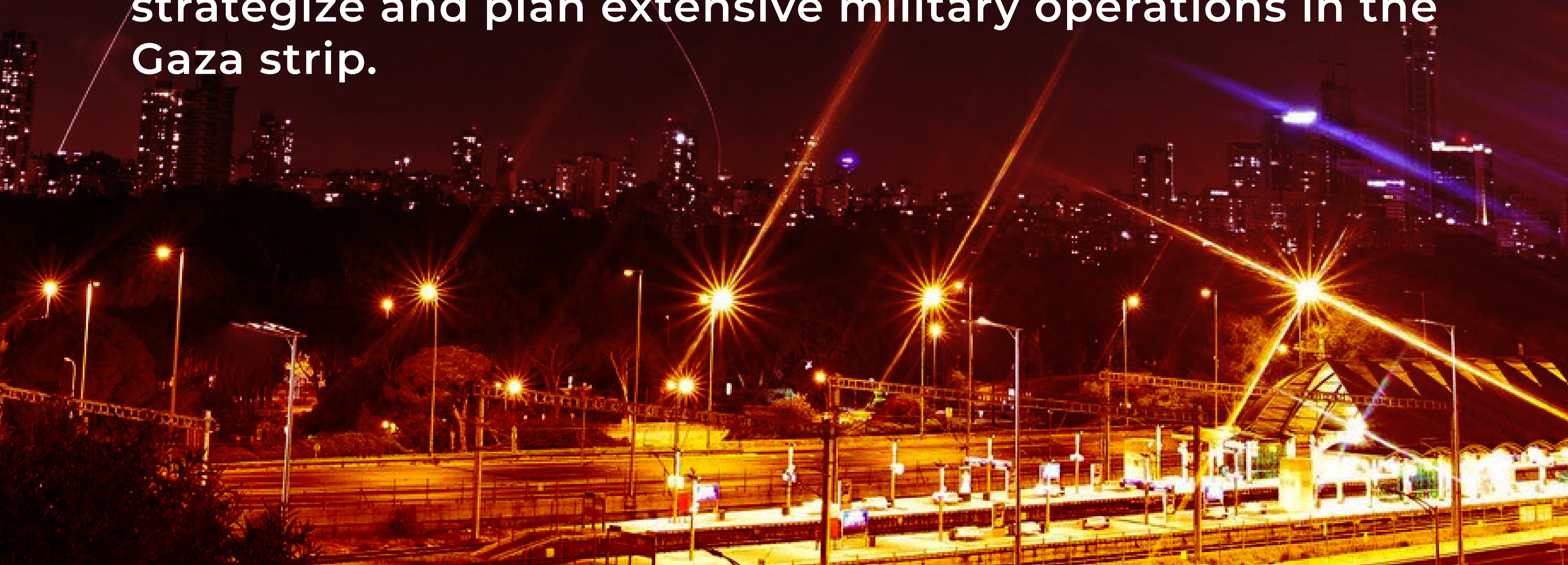
In addition to the abduction of Israeli soldiers, it is estimated that dozens of civilians, including women, children, and the elderly, have been forcibly taken to the Gaza Strip.

Some Israeli families, including young children and grandparents, have spent over twelve hours in bomb shelters since the conflict began, with limited access to food, clean water, and electricity.

Palestinians in Gaza and on social media platforms have widely celebrated these kidnappings and killings, sharing videos of Hamas desecrating the bodies of Israeli soldiers and circulating images of civilian casualties.

Hamas is actively committing war crimes by deliberately targeting civilians and causing the deaths of innocent people.

Israeli reservists have been called up for duty, and Prime Minister Netanyahu has convened his security cabinet to strategize and plan extensive military operations in the Gaza strip.



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At 3 a.m. Eastern, IDF forces reported at least 26 dead Israeli soldiers from fighting in the southern Israel.

Minutes later, the IDF reported that two of the hostages situations have been "resolved" (although no report as to whether hostages have been rescued alive)

At 6:40 Eastern, Hezbollah terrorists fired dozens of rockets at the Golan Heights, and the IDF exchanged strikes from three different positions.

As of 7:25 Eastern, Israel conducted airstrikes against Rafah (a town in Southern Gaza)

As of 9:30 Eastern, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and the Security Cabinet officially declared that Israel is at war

Israeli forces have claimed "hundreds of Hamas terrorists" have been killed and "dozens captured"

Ron Dermer, Minister for Strategic Affairs, has confirmed American citizens are among the hostages



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According to the IDF, IDF Forces have struck 653 terrorist targets in Gaza.

300,000 IDF Reservists have been called into fight in Operation Swords of Iron, making it the largest number in the history of the IDF

Hamas continued its rocket barrage on Monday, with Air Raid sirens going off in Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, and all along the Mediterranean coast with multiple hits in Ashdod

IDF Forces are in control of all the areas neighboring Gaza although pockets of terrorists still remain in several locations after terrorists reportedly infiltrated Be'eri Kibbutz overnight (most likely through a terror tunnel system)

Israeli Defense Minister Yoav Gallant has announced a "total siege" of Gaza, cutting off electricity

An Iranian Official at the UN has denied any involvement in the Hamas attack despite Israeli officials claiming Iran helped coordinate the attack

