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Hamas still possesses hundreds of rockets

October 23, 2025 israelnationalnews.com reported: “Security sources assessed Wednesday morning that the Hamas terror organization still possesses hundreds of rockets, including medium-range missiles capable of reaching central Israel. In addition, Hamas is believed to be in possession of over 10,000 rifles.

Meanwhile, while the terror group has been significantly weakened over the course of the ongoing war, it still maintains more than half of its original tunnel network.

According to the report, the majority of Hamas’ senior command present before the October 7 massacre has been eliminated. Since the beginning of the war, over 280 commanders at the rank of company commander and above have been killed. Hamas’ Nukhba force, which spearheaded the October 7 massacre, is now suffering from a severe manpower shortage...”

Iran says any new attack would be ‘another failure’

October 23, 2025 spacewar.com reported: “Iran warned on Thursday against fresh attacks on his country, after UN nuclear watchdog chief said he fears a possible ‘renewed use of force’ if attempts at diplomacy with Tehran fail.

In mid-June, Israel launched an unprecedented bombing campaign against Iran, triggering a war during which Iran responded with missile and drone strikes...

In an interview published Wednesday with Swiss newspaper *Le Temps*, the head of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) Rafael Grossi said ‘if diplomacy fails, I fear a renewed use of force’.

Iranian Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi on Thursday said it was not clear whether Grossi’s remarks were meant ‘out of concern or as a threat’.

‘But those who issue such threats must understand that repeating a failed experience will only lead to another failure,’ he added in a video published by the foreign ministry...”



IAEA Chief Rafael Grossi

Hezbollah’s resistance has recovered, can face Israel at any time, senior official declares

October 22, 2025 jpost.com reported: “Hezbollah has gained strength, one of its representatives in the Lebanese parliament said this week. Hassan Ezzedine, from the Tyre district, was first elected to parliament in 1992. ‘The resistance in Lebanon has regained its health,’ he said, Beirut-based newspaper *Al Akhbar* reported. Hezbollah refers to itself as the ‘resistance.’”

‘The resistance in Lebanon has regained its strength, remains present and active, and can confront the enemy at any moment if it launches a ground attack,’

Ezzedine was quoted as saying. Hezbollah had not been defeated, he said...”

PM Benjamin Netanyahu stresses Israel not a US protectorate, JD Vance responds: ‘We don’t want one’

October 22, 2025 jpost.com reported: “Israel and the US have the ‘difficult tasks ahead,’ of disarming Hamas and ensuring it no longer poses a threat to Israel while also rebuilding Gaza, US Vice President JD Vance told the press at the Prime Minister’s Office (PMO) in Jerusalem on Wednesday...”

‘In the last year, we’ve had an unmatched alliance and a partnership with the United States,’ Netanyahu went on, saying that Vance had impressed him with his visit. ‘That is changing the Middle East, and it’s also changing the world.’

‘We are not an American protectorate,’ Netanyahu emphasized. ‘Israel will have the final say regarding her security.’

‘We don’t want a protectorate,’ Vance responded, noting that he is ‘optimistic that the ceasefire will hold.’...”

As Russia looms, NATO showcases nuclear drill

October 22, 2025 spacewar.com reported: “A Dutch F-35 jet roared off the runway Tuesday at Volkel airbase in the Netherlands as part of NATO’s annual nuclear exercise Steadfast Noon.

The long-planned drill, which involves no live nuclear bombs, is routine practice for the North Atlantic Treaty Organization to ensure it is ready to use its ultimate weapon if necessary.

As tensions have risen with Russia over the war in Ukraine and repeated air incursions, it is now also an unmistakable message to Moscow of NATO’s potential might.

For the first time, NATO this year allowed a small group of journalists including AFP on site during the two-week exercise.

Involving over 70 aircraft from 14 countries and some 2,000 personnel, the 2025 iteration of the drill is focused on the North Sea region...”

Hamas Defends Executing Palestinians: ‘This Is a Transitional Phase’

October 21, 2025 breitbart.com reported: “Mohammed Nazzal, a senior official with the Hamas terrorist organization, defended his group’s mass execution of Palestinian civilians on Friday after President Donald Trump warned Hamas could face utter destruction for the murders.

Nazzal, a member of the Hamas Politburo, defended public executions as ‘exceptional measures’ for dealing with ‘criminals.’ He denied accusations that Hamas was simply rounding up and killing its adversaries to keep power in Gaza, even though the ceasefire deal stipulated that Hamas would play no role in postwar administration.

‘This is a transitional phase. Civilly, there will be a technocratic administration as I said. On the ground, Hamas will be present,’ he said.

Nazzal also cast doubt on whether Hamas would disarm or not, as required by the Gaza ceasefire deal...”

EU says drone defences not ‘optional’ in push to face Russia

October 21, 2025 spacewar.com reported: “The EU had no choice but to build up anti-drone defences against Russia, the bloc’s foreign policy chief Kaja Kallas said Thursday, as Brussels unveiled a ‘roadmap’ to prepare for potential conflict by 2030.

The initiative is one of several flagship projects in the EU’s ‘readiness roadmap’ aimed at preparing the bloc for a possible attack from Moscow in the coming years.



‘Drones are already redefining warfare. Having drone defences is no longer optional for anyone,’ Kallas told journalists. ‘Today we propose a new anti-drone system to be fully operational by the end of 2027,’ she said.

EU chief Ursula von der Leyen first called to create a ‘drone wall’ to counter Moscow last month, hours after NATO jets shot down Russian unmanned aircraft in Poland...”

Hamas violates ceasefire: PM orders strong response to attack on troops in Rafah

October 20, 2025 israelnationalnews.com reported: “Reports from the Gaza Strip on Sunday state that Hamas terrorists launched anti-tank weapons at IDF forces in Rafah and that heavy exchanges of fire are commencing.

At the same time, there are reports of IAF airstrikes in both northern and southern Gaza. The IDF has yet to issue an official statement on the incident. The IDF confirmed that terrorists fired an anti-tank missile and gunfire toward IDF troops operating to dismantle terrorist infrastructure in the Rafah area, in southern Gaza, in accordance with the ceasefire agreement.

In response, the IDF stated that it had begun striking in the area to eliminate the threat and dismantle tunnel shafts and military structures used for terrorist activity. ‘These terrorist actions constitute a blatant violation of the ceasefire agreement, and the IDF will respond firmly,’ the military stated...”

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