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IDF Official Statement: It Is Clear that the IDF Did Not Strike the Hospital in Gaza; The IDF Spokesperson officially confirmed on Tuesday night, October 17, that the IDF did not attack the Ahli Baptist Hospital in central Gaza and that the explosion was caused by an Islamic Jihad rocket. “Following an additional review and cross-examination of the operational and intelligence systems, it is clear that the IDF did not strike the hospital in Gaza,” the IDF Spokesperson's Unit said in a statement. “The hospital was hit as a result of a failed rocket launched by the Islamic Jihad terrorist organization.” “The terrorist organizations within the Gaza Strip fire indiscriminately toward Israel. Since the beginning of the war, approximately 450 rockets launched toward Israel have fallen within Gaza, endangering and harming the lives of Gazan residents,” the statement said. The IDF also published a photograph from the IDF launch identification system. Earlier, the IDF announced that the initial investigation into the explosion at the hospital, where Hamas claims as many as 500 people were killed, was caused by an Islamic Jihad rocket that misfired and struck the hospital and not by an Israeli airstrike. The IDF's initial statement said that “an analysis of IDF operational systems indicates that a barrage of rockets was fired by terrorists in Gaza, passing in close proximity to the Al Ahli hospital in Gaza at the time it was hit.” “Intelligence from multiple sources we have in our hands indicates that Islamic Jihad is responsible for the failed rocket launch which hit the hospital in Gaza,” the statement added. Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu commented on the explosion at the hospital in Gaza and wrote, “The entire world should know: It was barbaric terrorists in Gaza that attacked the hospital in Gaza, and not the IDF. Those who brutally murdered our children also murder their own children.” (INN / VFI News)

President Herzog: Shame on the Media Who Swallow the Lies of Hamas and Islamic Jihad; President Isaac Herzog commented on Tuesday evening, October 17, on the explosion at a hospital in Gaza which was blamed on Israel, even though it was caused by an Islamic Jihad rocket which was misfired. “An Islamic Jihad missile has killed many Palestinians at a Gazan hospital - a place where lives

should be saved,” said Herzog. “Shame on the media who swallow the lies of Hamas and Islamic Jihad - broadcasting a 21st-century blood libel around the globe,” he added. “Shame on the vile terrorists in Gaza who willfully spill the blood of the innocent.” “Never before has the choice been clearer. Israel is standing against an enemy made of pure evil. If you stand for humanity - for the value of all human life - you stand with Israel,” Herzog concluded. Foreign nations and media outlets rushed to blame Israel for the blast almost immediately after Hamas announced that the hospital had been struck. Palestinian Authority chairman Mahmoud Abbas announced three days of mourning in response to the initial report of hundreds killed at the hospital. A British renowned news network immediately adopted all of Hamas' talking points on the incident, continuing its pattern of bias against Israel. The Egyptian Foreign Ministry also strongly condemned the “Israeli bombing of the Al-Ahli Al-Mamadani hospital in Gaza which led to the death of hundreds of innocent victims and wounded among the Palestinian citizens in Gaza.” (INN / VFI News)

PA to Give Hamas Terrorists' Families Close to \$3 Million in 'Pay-for-Slay'; The Palestinian Authority will pay families of dead Hamas terrorists a combined total of around \$2.8 million, according to a report by the Palestinian Media Watch (PMW), a nongovernmental organization and media watchdog group. In the current “pay-for-slay” system, called the “Martyrs’ Fund” by the PA, terrorists receive monetary payments as a reward for acts of terror. The more damage an attack causes, the higher the terrorist or the terrorist’s family is paid. The authority will also pay \$17,590 to approximately 50 new Hamas prisoners this month, the report said. The PMW reported that a terrorist's family would be rewarded NIS 6,000 (around \$1,500) and an NIS 1,400 (\$353) allowance monthly for life. Both come up to about NIS 7,400. The families that the terrorists married into will receive an even higher amount, the report claims. The \$2.8 million in question equals more than NIS 11 million. The PMW claims that the \$2.8 million payment is a low estimate because there will be more “martyrs” and prisoners from the Hamas terrorist organization. Furthermore, the PMW accuses the Palestinian Authority in the report of receiving funding from countries from the European Union so that they can make the payments for the “pay-for-slay” program. (JPost / VFI News)

UNRWA Indicates Hamas Stole Supplies from Gaza, Then Walks Back Claim; The United Nations organization that works with Palestinian refugees and their descendants indicated Sunday, October 15, that Hamas authorities had stolen fuel and medical supplies meant for refugees from its premises in Gaza City. In its original statement, the agency said it had received reports that people claiming they were from the Hamas-run health ministry had loaded the supplies onto trucks. It said that “UNRWA fuel and other types of material are kept for strictly humanitarian purposes — any other use is strongly condemned.” Shortly after posting the claim on X, UNRWA deleted the posts. It later asserted that nothing had been looted. According to the organization, its officials were “compelled to evacuate” UNRWA headquarters in Gaza City on Friday and have since “had no access to the compound and no additional details about the removal of assets.” UNRWA added that cameras monitoring the facility ceased working after being damaged by “blasts from the conflict in previous days.” After UNRWA deleted the posts on X, UN sources and Israeli officials confirmed to Israeli media that the incident did occur. But UNRWA later uploaded fresh tweets claiming otherwise: “With regards to reports on social media of looting of an UNRWA warehouse,” it said, without mentioning the reports had been its own, “UNRWA would like to confirm that no looting has taken place in any of its warehouses in the Gaza Strip.” It added: “The images circulating on social media were of a movement of basic medical supplies from the UNRWA warehouse to health partners.” (TOI / VFI News)

The Impact and Atrocities of the War; While it is now eleven days since the terror group Hamas stormed into Israel from Gaza, details are still emerging about the horrific rampage and the many victims. Gina Semiatich, a 90-year-old Czech-born Holocaust survivor, was tragically murdered in her home at Kibbutz Kissufim, less than two miles from the Gaza border. According to reports in Israel, Semiatich was

dragged from her home shelter by the terrorists and shot in the head in her living room. Another tragic victim of the attacks has been revealed to be a boy named Eitan. Eitan Kaptisher was celebrating his fifth birthday when he was killed by Hamas gunmen. Hamas is currently holding 200 hostages, with about 50 more kidnapping victims being held by other “resistance factions and in other places,” Hamas’ military spokesman said in a televised statement Monday, October 16, according to local media reports. Further, nearly half a million Israelis have been forced to abandon their homes as a result of the ongoing war with Hamas in southern Israel, and attacks by Hezbollah terrorists in northern Israel, an IDF spokesperson said. Meanwhile, there are those who applaud the terrorists’ actions. One such example is Russell Rickford, a Cornell University professor who was caught on camera telling students that Hamas’ terror attack on Israel was “exhilarating”, “energizing” and that he himself “was exhilarated”. (DM / VFI News)

US Department of Defense Issues 'Be Ready to Deploy' Orders, Biden Lands in Israel; U.S. Secretary of Defense Lloyd Austin put a significant number of U.S. troops on stand-by to “be ready to deploy,” over the weekend, though officials say the U.S. role would not be for combat. A U.S. official confirmed with American media that Austin issued orders to 2,000 troops that they should be ready to be deployed to the Eastern Mediterranean within 24 hours of receiving an order. Specifically, top officials say troops would be sent to advise and provide medical support to Israeli forces. The order is less of a deterrence posture but instead appears to be a more direct support role for the defense of Israel if needed. Meanwhile, President Joe Biden landed in Israel Wednesday morning, October 18, as he demonstrated the United States’ commitment to the Middle Eastern country devastated by the Hamas terrorist attack. Biden previously said his trip was “to stand in solidarity in the face of Hamas’s brutal terrorist attack and to consult on next steps.” “I wanted to be here today for a simple reason. I wanted the people of Israel, the people of the world, to know where the United States stands,” Biden said Wednesday. Another supporter of Israel, former boxing champion Floyd Mayweather, is taking concrete action to support the Israeli Defense Forces and has reportedly decided to send his private plane to Israel, laden with provisions such as food, protective vests, and other critical supplies for IDF personnel. (FN / VFI News)

'She Attacked the Terrorists': The Story of Heroism of Late Adar Ben Simon; Second Lieutenant Adar Ben Simon, 20 years old, from Neve Ziv, was a platoon commander in the Home Front Command. She lost her life on Saturday, October 7, when she fearlessly stormed into action to make contact with the infiltrating terrorists at her base. “Last Saturday, during a routine Shabbat closure at the base, Adar was among the officers leading the rookie course at Zikim. When Adar and her fellow commanders discovered the large number of terrorists infiltrating the base, their immediate priority was to protect the rookies under their command.” “Adar fearlessly engaged in battle, fighting with all her might to eliminate the terrorists and defend her country while ensuring the safety of her soldiers and sacrificing her own life. Together with her comrades, she fought valiantly against overwhelming odds, and thanks to their bravery, almost all the recruits returned home unharmed.” “We are determined to ensure that everyone knows what an incredible hero Adar was, a true Israeli heroine who gave everything for the country she loved so deeply,” her relatives added. “Your death is the death of a hero. I always knew you were brave, fearless like a butterfly to fire,” her partner was heard saying during her funeral. (JPost / VFI News)

National Security Council: All Israelis in Turkey Must Leave Now Due to Terror Threat; The National Security Council published a warning Tuesday evening, October 17, to Israelis who are currently in the country of Turkey, calling on them to immediately leave the country. The travel warning level in Turkey has been raised to level 4, the highest possible level. The warning applies to all areas of the country. In addition, the travel warning level for the country of Morocco was raised to level 2, which means Israelis in the country must take increased precautions. For Israelis who have not yet left Turkey, the National Security Council recommends taking all the recommended precautions and reducing gathering in public spaces as much as possible, hiding Israeli and Jewish symbols, and avoiding going to

places that are identified as Jewish or have Israeli affiliation. The National Security Council also reiterated its recommendations to the public to reconsider planned trips abroad at this time, to avoid non-essential trips to countries subject to a travel warning, with an emphasis on Arab countries and countries surrounding Iran (especially Jordan, Egypt, the United Arab Emirates and Azerbaijan). (INN / VFI News)

Iran's Arch-Terrorist Was Architect of Hamas Massacre of 1,400 People: Report; The Iranian regime's organized plan to aid Hamas in its massacre of 1,400 people, including 30 Americans, was front-and-center in the thinking of the dictator who rules over Iran, Supreme Leader Ali Khamenei. The Middle East Media Research Institute (MEMRI) recently published a shocking report noting that Khamenei hinted on two different occasions, in 2022 and 2023, at “The Complete Conquest” of Israel in his media mouthpiece Kayhan. According to a MEMRI translation from Khamenei’s propaganda outlet, Kayhan, the plan of mass murder was engineered by the late Iranian global terrorist Qassem Soleimani in 2020. The U.S. military assassinated Soleimani in early January 2020 for his overseeing the killing of over 600 American military personnel. Kayhan wrote, according to the translation, that in August 2023, “The significance is that, last year, the Leader [Khamenei] gave 'the promise of the imminent conquest,' and this year he gave 'the announcement of the complete conquest,' and Operation Al-Aqsa Flood is part of this imminent conquest.” “This promise and announcement, along with the clarity and power of [Khamenei's] statements and positions in his meeting [with leaders and ambassadors of Islamic countries] on the occasion of the Prophet [Muhammad's] birthday, have profound significance and content.” Meanwhile, on Saturday, October 14, Hamas political leader Ismail Haniyeh met with Iran's foreign minister, Hossein Amir-Abdollahian, in Qatar. (FN / VFI News)

Israel to Send Tens of Thousands of Troops to Capture Terrorists, Hamas Actively Blocks Gazans from Leaving; Israel plans to send tens of thousands of troops to capture Gaza City and “destroy” the Hamas leadership that runs the enclave, an American news outlet reports, citing Israeli military officers who outlined unclassified details. The report says the offensive would be the largest since 2006’s Second Lebanon War and will see the IDF attempt to hold on to parts of Gaza, at least temporarily. A Hamas official tells the newspaper its fighters will try to ambush Israeli soldiers by popping out of tunnels behind their advance to surprise the troops. “In addition to infantry, the Israeli strike force will include tanks, sappers, and commandos,” officers said. “The ground troops will be given cover by warplanes, helicopter gunships, aerial drones, and artillery fired from land and sea.” IDF Spokesman Daniel Hagari said at a press conference on Saturday, October 14, “We continue to urge the residents of Gaza City, go south... Hamas wants you as human shields... This is for your personal safety. We are going to attack very widely in Gaza City in the near future.” However, Hamas has different plans; According to IDF spokesman Lt. Col. Jonathan Conricus, “Hamas has both issued warnings to their civilians not to evacuate, and when people didn’t listen to those warnings of Hamas, they have actually stopped civilians, and have stopped convoys of Gazan civilians trying to flee from the situation. If that isn't the most sinister use of civilians during war, I don't know what is.” (TOI / VFI News)

Unimaginable Atrocities Committed by Hamas; The full scale of the Hamas massacre in the kibbutz of Kfar Aza near the Israeli border with Gaza has been revealed: 52 residents were murdered by terrorists, seven were confirmed to have been abducted to Gaza, and 13 residents are still missing. In addition, at this stage, it is known that 25 residents of Kibbutz Nahal Oz were murdered, while the fate of 80 other residents is still unknown. Last week, the IDF allowed foreign media outlets into Kfar Aza to witness and document the atrocities that were committed in the kibbutz. Media correspondents at the scene said that “what happened in Kfar Aza can only be described as a massacre, with shocking evidence of families who were caught in an unimaginable terror.” “I saw the stretcher-bearers find the body of a small child from one of the houses. They carried his body without saying a word, and put it in the car, alongside the bodies of other residents who were murdered while trying to hide or defend themselves.” Meanwhile, a highly

vulnerable 17-year-old girl with a debilitating muscle disorder and her father were abducted by Hamas terrorists, a family member reports. Rut Perez, who suffers from muscular dystrophy and is unable to walk or talk, attended the Supernova festival last Saturday along with her father, Eric, and sister, Yamit, who left early with friends. According to Yamit, “It was the happiest I’ve ever seen her, dancing in her wheelchair. She was so happy.” She pleads, “I am begging Hamas to let my dad take care of her; he’s the only one who knows what she needs.” To date, the death toll since Hamas’ attacks has risen to 1,400 including 286 Israeli soldiers, 29 Americans, 28 Thai nationals, 19 French citizens, and 5 Canadians, about 4,000 people have been injured and at least 199 people have been abducted. (INN / VFI News)

US Sends Second Aircraft Carrier to East Mediterranean to Deter Iran, Hezbollah; The United States is sending a second aircraft carrier strike group to the eastern Mediterranean “to deter hostile actions against Israel or any efforts toward widening this war following Hamas’s attack,” Secretary of Defense Lloyd Austin said Saturday, October 14. The USS Eisenhower and its affiliated warships will join another carrier group, USS Ford, already deployed to the region in the wake of the brutal Hamas onslaught a week ago and Israel’s ongoing response in Gaza. The deployment signals Washington’s “ironclad commitment to Israel’s security and our resolve to deter any state or non-state actor seeking to escalate this war,” Austin said in a statement, presumably referring to Iran and Lebanon’s Hezbollah terror group. Meanwhile, more than 50,000 ceramic vests, over 20,000 helmets, and tens of thousands of combat items such as protective glasses and knee protectors are also on their way to Israel, according to a joint statement by the Defense Ministry, the IDF, and the Association for the Well-being of Soldiers, issued Saturday evening. Hundreds of thousands of items of equipment have already been approved and will be sent out to army units in the coming days, the statement said. The statement followed the release on Thursday of contact details for individuals or organizations wanting to donate large quantities of personal protective equipment to soldiers. (TOI / VFI News)

The Many Supporters of Israel; More than 700 leaders from the entertainment industry have signed an open letter released by the non-profit entertainment industry organization Creative Community For Peace in support of Israel. The open letter calls on the entertainment community to speak out forcefully against Hamas, support Israel, refrain from sharing misinformation about the war, and do whatever is in their power to urge the terrorist organization to return the innocent hostages to their families. The 700+ Signatories include Haim Saban, Gal Gadot, Jerry Seinfeld, Richard Lovett, Michael Douglas, Aaron Bay-Schuck, Liev Schreiber, Chris Pine, Amy Schumer, Jamie Lee Curtis, Mayim Bialik, Debra Messing, Jody Gerson, Mark Hamill and more. Additionally, Elon Musk’s X (former Twitter) said it is removing accounts affiliated with the Hamas terror group, in an effort to curb the spread of "terrorist content" online. Prime Minister Netanyahu also stated on Saturday, October 14, that he has spoken with leaders of Germany, France, and Greece, and thanked them for their “unswerving support” for Israel. Furthermore, Qatar is working to coax Hamas to release the women, children, and elderly hostages currently being held in Gaza, US Secretary of Defense Lloyd Austin condemns Hamas stating that “this is no time for neutrality or false equivalence,” and the US university Stanford suspended a pro-Palestinian lecturer who was accused of shaming Jewish students in class. (INN / VFI News)

Putin Compares Israeli Action in Gaza to WW2 Nazi Tactics; Russian President Vladimir Putin said on Friday, October 13, that an Israeli ground offensive in Gaza would result in a level of civilian casualties that would be “absolutely unacceptable.” Putin was speaking after Israel’s military called for all civilians of Gaza City - more than 1 million people - to relocate south within 24 hours, as it amassed tanks ahead of an expected ground invasion in response to a devastating weekend attack by the Islamist militant group Hamas. He said there had been calls even in the United States for a blockade of the Hamas-controlled Gaza Strip on a par with “the siege of Leningrad during World War II.” Putin said, however, that Israel had the right to defend itself after being subjected to “an attack unprecedented in its cruelty.” Further, the

Russian Foreign Ministry said a deputy minister, Mikhail Bogdanov, met the Lebanese ambassador to Moscow on Friday to discuss the crisis. It said their conversation emphasized “the inadmissibility of the spread of armed confrontation to Lebanon and other states in the region, the danger of a growing humanitarian crisis and a new massive influx of Palestinian refugees.” (JPost / VFI News)

Number of Fatalities Rises to 1,300, 3,300 Injured, over 120 Taken Hostage; The number of Israeli dead currently is up to 1,300 including 258 IDF casualties, with the number of wounded rising to 3,300 according to an MDA report. Additionally, the IDF announced on Friday morning that 120 families have been notified that their loved ones have been abducted to Gaza by Hamas. IDF Air Force Chief Maj.-Gen. Tomer Bar said on Thursday, October 12, that he has a list of which Hamas officials masterminded and planned the invasion of southern Israel this past Saturday and that they will all disappear. He said that the IDF was continuing aggressive attacks from the air, having dropped more than 6,000 bombs on Hamas and Islamic Jihad in Gaza. IDF Chief-of-Staff Lt.-Gen. Herzi Halevi also said on Thursday, referring to Hamas Gaza Chief Yahya Sinwar, “This abominable attack was decided on by Yahya Sinwar, the sovereign in Gaza, which makes him and all of his apparatus under him dead men.” Palestinian reports said that there were 1,417 dead Palestinians in Gaza, and the IDF has said that there were more than 1,000 dead Hamas terrorists within the Gaza corridor from the battles there. (JPost / VFI News)

Netanyahu, Gantz Address Nation on Emergency Gov't; An emergency government was formed on Wednesday afternoon, October 11, after Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and National Unity leader Benny Gantz met in the IDF headquarters in Tel Aviv earlier in the morning. The meeting lasted half an hour after which lawyers representing the Likud and National Unity stayed behind to finalize the details. Netanyahu and Gantz have held multiple meetings over the past few days to discuss the details of the emergency government, but it took five days to come together. As part of the deal, Gantz and fellow party members Gadi Eisenkot, Gideon Sa'ar, Chili Tropper, and Yifat Shasha-Biton will be sworn in as ministers for the duration of the war. Gantz will join a war cabinet with Netanyahu and Defense Minister Yoav Gallant, and Eisenkot and Strategic Affairs Minister Ron Dermer will be observers. A spot will be kept open for opposition leader Yair Lapid should he join the emergency government. The agreement also states that throughout the war, no legislation that is unrelated to the war will be done in the Knesset. The announcement was met with praise from across the coalition and opposition. (JPost / VFI News)

Hamas Burned Israelis Alive in South, Netanyahu Says; Hamas terrorists in an ISIS-like manner burned people alive, raped victims, and shot babies in the head when they assaulted southern Israel, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu told Israelis in a late-night address, Wednesday, October 11. “Hamas is ISIS and we will destroy it like the world destroyed ISIS,” he said during a press conference with Defense Minister Yoav Gallant (Likud) and former defense minister Benny Gantz who heads the National Unity party and who agreed on Wednesday to join the emergency government. “We are fighting with full force on all fronts. We have gone over to the offensive. Every Hamas member is a dead man,” Netanyahu said. “We saw bound children shot in the head, people burned while they were still alive and young people who were raped,” he explained. Gallant said that the Jewish people had not endured anything like this since the Holocaust. The situation was brought under control only by the unprecedented heroism of civilians, soldiers, and police, Gallant said. He pledged that Israel would wipe Hamas off the face of the earth. “There is no situation in which children are killed” and the situation is just ignored, Gallant said. “Our standing here, shoulder to shoulder, is a clear message to our enemies, and more importantly, a message to all citizens of Israel – we are all together, we are all mobilizing,” Gantz said. The new emergency unity government, he said, was not born of a “political partnership” but of “a shared fate.” (JPost / VFI News)

IDF: Aerial Infiltration from Lebanon Ruled out, Alarms Malfunctioned; The IDF has ruled out an aerial infiltration from Lebanon after warning sirens were activated in many communities in northern

Israel on Wednesday, October 11. The sirens were activated due to a technical malfunction. Combat helicopters were dispatched to shoot the potential threats out of the sky. The IDF later stated that so far no crashes have been detected in Israeli territory and no casualties have been reported. A security source stated that it was suspected that the craft that crossed the Lebanese border was sent to attack military bases in central Israel, and not to attack communities in the north. In the end, the IDF stated that the investigation had found that there had been no infiltration and that the alarms had been activated due to a malfunction. However, also on Wednesday, a Lebanese imam affiliated with Hezbollah told American media that there were thousands of “martyrs” in Lebanon prepared to join Hamas and “sacrifice themselves against Israel.” He added, “If Hezbollah does decide to enter the war, it would be a game changer. Hezbollah is so much more powerful than Hamas because it has partial governance over the entire country of Lebanon. It enjoys so much more support from Iran and other actors in the Middle East, and its people have freedom of movement, they can leave the country, they can come and go, unlike Hamas, which is stuck inside that blockaded enclave on the Mediterranean coast.” (INN / VFI News)

IDF: Hamas’ Plan Was to Conquer, Hold Gaza Corridor; Intelligence collected from the battle with Hamas in the Gaza Strip periphery proves that the terrorist group planned to conquer the area and hold it for an indefinite period, the IDF said Wednesday, October 11. Equipment, logistical items, and other data indicated that the terrorists expected to stay in the area and came prepared for such an operation, before facing a faster and more powerful counterattack than what they had foreseen, it said. If Hamas succeeded in surprising the IDF and Israel completely at stage one of the invasion, it is clear that the IDF’s second-round response – as opposed to a longer period of shock, waiting, and negotiation over hostages – took Hamas by surprise. The IDF announced on Friday, that IAF aircraft, with the help of aerial intelligence, attacked dozens of positions used by Hamas to launch hostile drones. Meanwhile, health Minister Moshe Arbel issued a directive to the public health system in Israel to refuse to treat captured terrorists. Sourasky Medical Center (Ichilov) announced on Wednesday evening that a terrorist who had been brought to the hospital was not admitted to the emergency room and was instead sent to the prison service’s clinic in Ramle for treatment. (JPost / VFI News)

Israel Air Force Hits Gaza on ‘Unprecedented Scale’; The Israel Air Force was striking in the Gaza Strip on an “unprecedented scale” Wednesday, October 11, according to senior Air Force officer Brig. Gen. Omer Tishler, as Israel focused its efforts on targeting Hamas officials. Tishler, the Israel Air Force’s chief of staff, said: “There is an enemy here firing rockets, raiding a civilian population. We will never allow that again.” Tishler noted that the IAF was not targeting civilians in the Gaza Strip, but that the strikes were no longer “surgical.” “We do not act like the other side, we do not attack the civilian population. Behind every attack there is a target,” he said. “We act precisely and professionally but not surgically. I’m not talking about single, tens, or hundreds [of strikes]. We are talking about thousands of munitions.” Earlier Wednesday, IDF Chief of Staff Lt. Gen. Herzi Halevi told reservist officers at the Southern Command base in Beersheba that the military was focusing efforts on targeting Hamas officials. The IDF has carried out strikes against at least 2,687 targets across the Gaza Strip since Saturday, 1,329 of which were multi-story buildings containing Hamas assets, including war rooms where the terror group manages the fighting against Israel. On Wednesday afternoon, Gaza’s only power plant ran out of fuel, forcing it to shut down after Israel cut off supplies. That leaves only generators to power the territory — but they also run on fuel that is in short supply. (TOI / VFI News)

Poll Reveals Majority Blames Gov’t for Hamas Massacre; Warning for Hama’s ‘Day of Rage’ on Friday; Four out of five Jewish Israelis believe the government and Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu are to blame for the mass infiltration of Hamas terrorists into Israel and the massacre that followed, a new Dialog Center poll released on Thursday, October 12, found. An overwhelming majority – 86% of respondents, including 79% of coalition supporters, said the surprise attack from Gaza is a failure

of the country's leadership, while a staggering 92% said the war is causing anxiety. Furthermore, almost all the respondents (94%) believe the government must bear some responsibility for the lack of security preparedness that led to the assault, with over 75% saying the government holds most of the responsibility. Meanwhile, Israel's National Security Council and Foreign Ministry have published a statement warning that the Hamas terror group has called on its supporters to hold a "Day of Rage" on Friday, October 13, and to harm Jews and Israelis around the world. According to the statement, it is probable that pro-Hamas rallies will be held and can deteriorate into violent incidents. In light of this, the National Security Council and Foreign Ministry recommend all Israelis abroad be alert, avoid demonstrations, and, if needed, notify the local authorities of a possible protest or riot in their area. (JPost / VFI News)

Joe Biden's Speech Sets a New Standard for US-Israel Ties – Analysis; It is a story that President Joe Biden must have told a thousand times over the years, if not more. Never was it more poignant than in his telling to a national audience from the White House on Tuesday afternoon, October 10. "Over 50 years ago, as a young senator, I visited Israel for the first time, as a newly elected senator," he said, going on to describe a meeting with then-prime minister Golda Meir just before the Yom Kippur War, and an exchange with her at a photo opportunity outside her office. "We were standing there silent, looking at the press. She could tell, I guess, I was concerned. She leaned over and whispered to me – she said, 'Don't worry, Senator Biden. We have a secret weapon here in Israel' – my word, this is what she said – 'We have no place else to go. We have no place else to go.'" He added, "For 75 years, Israel has stood as the ultimate guarantor of the security of Jewish people around the world, so that the atrocities of the past could never happen again," he said. "And let there be no doubt: The United States has Israel's back." Then, in a line that uncannily sums up the prevalent feeling right now in Israel, he added: "Our hearts may be broken, but our resolve is clear." This was not an Israeli spokesperson trying to convince a skeptical interviewer of the justification for Israeli bombing raids in Gaza. This was the president of the United States speaking to the American people – a US president who just set a new standard of support for the Jewish state and the Jewish people in times of tragedy and war. (JPost / VFI News)

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