

# **Yachad Ministries' Israel's News Update November 6, 2025 (Cheshvan 15, 5786)**



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## **Israel-Hamas Cease-fire**

### **IDF Says It Is Striking Hezbollah Targets Across Southern Lebanon**

- *Hostage body identified as Joshua Loitu Mollen; IDF fire kills 15-year-old, local reports say*
  - *Haaretz Conference in Berlin | Fault Lines and Futures: Israel, Gaza and Germany in Wartime and After*
  - *IDF alerts residents in southern Lebanon to evacuate ahead of strike*
  - *Israel gets green light to raze home of terrorist behind bombing that caused no injuries*
  - *Body of Itay Chen returned; Israel returns 15 Palestinian bodies to Gaza*
- *Top military advocate requests not to attend remand extension hearing, citing 'her condition'*
- *Prime Minister's Office confirms that body of fallen IDF soldier Itay Chen returned to Israel*
  - *Saudi Arabia's request to buy F-35 jets clears key Pentagon hurdle, sources say*

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***Israel Warns Lebanon: Disarm Hezbollah or Face New Offensive;*** Israeli officials warned on Sunday, November 2, that Hezbollah's rearmament and missile smuggling from Syria pose an escalating threat, and signaled that a renewed offensive could target the group's strongholds if Lebanon fails to enforce disarmament. The message, conveyed alongside reports of intensified Israeli airstrikes in recent weeks, underscored that Israel will not allow the rebuilding of terror infrastructure along the northern border or the reconstitution of rocket launch sites that endanger civilians. The statements also referenced regional mediation efforts aimed at preventing further escalation on the northern front, with Egypt said to be engaging in shuttle diplomacy. Israeli leaders reiterated that any lull would be contingent on concrete steps to halt Hezbollah's buildup and to maintain security for residents of the north. Military briefings highlighted recent targeted strikes that eliminated operatives tied to weapons transfers and the rebuilding of Radwan Force networks in southern Lebanon. Officials added that international partners are monitoring Hezbollah's stockpiles and manpower, and that Israel retains the right to act decisively if violations persist. The warnings reflect growing impatience with the pace of Lebanese governance reforms and enforcement, as well as concern that cross-border attacks could intensify without credible deterrence. (*INN/VFI News*)

***Lebanon Demands Israeli Withdrawal amid Tense Lull in the North;*** Lebanon's Prime Minister called on Saturday, November 1, 2025, for international pressure—particularly from Germany—to force Israel to withdraw forces from southern Lebanon and cease air operations. Beirut framed the moment after the recent ceasefire understandings as an opportunity to stabilize the south, pledging compliance with UN Security Council Resolution 1701 and asserting that weapons should remain only in the hands of the state. At the same time, Hezbollah-aligned voices insisted their confrontation with Israel would continue as “steadfast resistance,” even as they claimed to be upholding the lull. Israel reported additional precision strikes, including the elimination of a Radwan Force figure involved in logistics and rearmament, saying such activities violated border understandings and directly threatened Israeli communities. The competing narratives—demands for Israeli withdrawal versus Israel's insistence on preventing Hezbollah's resurgence—reflect the fragile nature of the current quiet. Israeli assessments continue to point to smuggling routes from Syria and efforts to rebuild launch capabilities; Lebanese leaders speak of reforms, but Israel warns that renewed attacks will trigger stronger responses to ensure security in the north. (*INN/VFI News*)

***Tens of Thousands Rally in Jerusalem Against IDF Draft Plans;*** A massive ultra-Orthodox prayer rally in Jerusalem on Thursday, October 30, 2025, drew an extraordinary crowd that filled major arteries at the city's entrance, disrupting traffic and public transit for hours. The demonstration—organized in opposition to proposed changes to conscription policy—brought together a wide spectrum of Haredi streams, whose leaders framed the gathering as a defense of Torah study and communal autonomy. Participants prayed, recited Psalms, and listened to rabbinic addresses calling for unity within their communities and restraint in the face of confrontation. Organizers emphasized the event's character as a spiritual assembly rather than a partisan protest, even as speakers criticized legislative and judicial moves they said would upend longstanding understandings on deferments. City authorities deployed significant police and emergency resources to manage road closures and ensure medical support. While the demonstration

concluded without widespread violence, it underscored the political and social tensions surrounding conscription debates—issues likely to return to the Knesset in the coming weeks. (TOI/VFI News)

***Poll Finds Rising Support for Hamas, Deep Discontent with PA Leadership;*** A new opinion survey released Sunday, November 2, shows a sharp deterioration in public confidence in the Palestinian Authority, with overwhelming majorities calling for the PA chairman to step down and a growing share favoring Hamas as the governing authority in Gaza. Analysts said the results continue a post-war trend that has reshaped Palestinian politics and complicated diplomatic efforts. The survey attributed the shift to perceptions of security cooperation and decision-making within PA institutions, as well as the ongoing conflict dynamics in Gaza and in Judea and Samaria. Commentators noted that repeated rounds of violence and stalled political processes have deepened polarization, leaving few trusted alternatives in the eyes of many respondents. Regional observers warned that the findings, if sustained, could harden positions on both sides and make compromise harder to achieve. The data points to an environment in which extremist narratives gain traction amid frustration, posing renewed risks for civilians and further straining prospects for de-escalation. (INN/VFI News)

***U.S. Designates Nigeria a “Country of Particular Concern” Over Christian Killings;*** On Friday, October 31, 2025, the United States designated Nigeria a “Country of Particular Concern” over persistent and widespread killings of Christians by jihadist groups and militias. The announcement—accompanied by calls from senior officials for stronger international action—highlighted alarming casualty figures and the destruction of churches and schools across multiple states in the country’s north and center. The designation places Nigeria under heightened U.S. scrutiny and opens avenues for potential penalties and expanded assistance tied to religious freedom benchmarks. Advocates argue that sustained pressure is essential to protecting vulnerable communities, while Nigerian authorities push back against what they term an overly narrow portrayal of the violence. International watchdogs and church leaders have urged coordinated steps to deter attacks, improve local security, and support survivors. The U.S. move signals growing global attention to an emergency that has displaced families, undermined livelihoods, and left many congregations grieving loved ones and leaders. (FOX/VFI News)

***FBI Foils Potential Halloween Terror Plot in Michigan; Multiple Arrests Announced;*** On Friday, October 31, 2025, the FBI announced it had thwarted a potential terrorist attack planned for Halloween weekend in Michigan, taking several suspects into custody as part of an ongoing investigation. Initial statements indicated a tie to international terrorism, with agents executing searches in communities around Detroit as local and federal partners worked to secure evidence and neutralize any lingering risk. Officials emphasized that the swift action eliminated an immediate threat to public safety during a busy holiday period. Authorities said more information would be released as legal processes unfold, but credited alert coordination among law enforcement units and the public’s vigilance for preventing a mass-casualty event. The announcement served as a reminder of continuing efforts to interdict plots inspired by foreign terrorist organizations. Law enforcement leaders urged communities to remain attentive to suspicious activity while praising the professionalism of agents who disrupted the plan before it could harm civilians. (FOX/VFI News)

***Archaeologists Unearth Hidden Hoard Of 22 Coins Beneath Ancient Galilee Site;*** Israeli archaeologists and student volunteers uncovered a cache of 22 copper coins stashed within a concealed tunnel system beneath the ancient settlement of Hukok in the Galilee. The hoard, dating to the 4th century CE and linked to the little-known Gallus Revolt, was found during a community excavation intended to prepare the site for public visitation. Researchers said the discovery sheds light on how residents reused underground complexes first carved during earlier Jewish revolts, hiding valuables in hopes of retrieving them after danger had passed. The find adds historical layers to a region famed for its magnificent synagogue

mosaics and provides tangible evidence of resilience during periods of upheaval. Planned presentations and academic publications are set to follow, with heritage officials highlighting Hukok as a model of community-driven archaeology. The site's development aims to connect visitors with the lived experiences of past generations while safeguarding fragile artifacts for future study. (INN/VFI News)

***Sparkling Discovery: 1,400-Year-Old Gold Hoard Found at Sussita National Park;*** A team from the University of Haifa unearthed an exceptional Byzantine-era treasure at Sussita National Park overlooking the Sea of Galilee—97 gold coins alongside ornate jewelry fragments set with pearls and semi-precious stones. Scholars date the hoard to the early 7th century CE, suggesting it was hurriedly hidden during the Sasanian conquest; among the coins is a rare piece minted during the revolt that brought the emperor Heraclius to power. Excavation leaders said the remarkable state of preservation and the combination of currency and fine adornments provide a vivid snapshot of the region's economic and cultural life on the eve of dramatic geopolitical shifts. Heritage officials hope the public display of the find will deepen appreciation for the area's diverse communities and the layers of history embedded in the landscape. The discovery continues a series of major finds around the Galilee that illuminate the interplay of pagan, Christian, and Jewish communities during late antiquity. Conservation steps are underway, with plans to present the artifacts to the public after study and stabilization. (INN/VFI News)

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