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Israel; Hamas Says Its Gaza Government Resigns to Hand Power to Palestinian Technocrats;

The move remains largely symbolic as Israel is not allowing members of the technocratic committee, currently in Cairo, to enter Gaza. The resignation does not apply to Hamas' military wing

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Standing with Israel!

Three of Khamenei's Sons Join Top Leaders at Tehran Funeral, but Not His Successor Mojtaba; Iran's top officials and the brothers of the country's new supreme leader emerged into public view on Sunday, July 5, to attend funeral prayers for the late Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, even as calls grew from the crowd for the killing of US President Donald Trump. Their appearance before hundreds of thousands in Tehran would have been unthinkable during the war, which opened on February 28, 2026, with Israeli and American airstrikes that killed the 86-year-old Khamenei along with family members and other officials. Israel had tracked and targeted regime figures who dared to surface publicly during the fighting. Conspicuously absent was Iran's new Supreme Leader, Ayatollah Mojtaba Khamenei, who is believed to be in hiding after being wounded in the strike that killed his father, his face disfigured and one or both legs badly injured. Israel has warned that it is prepared to kill him as well, as he now leads a theocracy negotiating with Washington over a permanent end to the war and over Iran's grip on the Strait of Hormuz. Ayatollah Jafar Sobhani led the prayers, with Khamenei's sons Masoud, Meysam, and Mostafa appearing alongside President Masoud Pezeshkian, Parliament Speaker Mohammad Bagher Ghalibaf, and Quds Force chief Esmail Qaani. Posters and graffiti at the Grand Mosalla called for the killing of Trump and Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, and a poet leading the crowd drew chants of "Death to America" and "Death to Israel." Authorities planned to parade the caskets through Tehran and other cities before burying Khamenei in Mashhad, with the mourning set to run through Thursday, July 9. For now, talks with the United States on a permanent end to the war remain on hold until the funeral concludes. (TOI/VFI News)

US Agrees to Halt Talks With Iran for a Week as Funeral for Khamenei Begins; Denuclearization talks between the United States and Iran were placed on hold for a week beginning Friday, July 3, as Tehran opened dayslong funeral ceremonies for Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, who was killed in the opening Israeli and American airstrikes of the February war. Qatari and Pakistani mediators signaled on Thursday, July 2, that the two sides would reconvene "at the earliest possible time" once the mourning ends. The caskets of Khamenei and his family were carried into Tehran's Grand Mosalla on the morning of Friday, July 3. Even during the pause, Iran pressed its leverage. Parliament Speaker Mohammad Bagher Ghalibaf announced that the Islamic Republic had reached an arrangement with Oman over traffic through the Strait of Hormuz, tied to Article V of the memorandum of understanding signed the previous month by Trump and Iranian President Masoud Pezeshkian. Under the terms, Iran agreed to allow commercial ships safe passage without charge for 60 days following the signing. Tehran paired diplomacy with a threat. Ali Abdollahi, commander of the Khatam al-Anbiya Central Headquarters, warned the United States and Israel to "avoid any miscalculation" and to weigh the "harsh retaliation" Iran's forces would deliver to any aggression. Funeral processions were set to run through Thursday, July 9, ending with Khamenei's burial in Mashhad, as temporary airspace restrictions were imposed over Tehran, Mashhad, and other cities. (FOX/VFI News)

IDF Warns Hamas Building Up Its Strength with Iranian Financial Support; Israeli defense officials warned during a security discussion that Iran is financing part of the goods flowing into the Gaza Strip, and that Hamas is seizing control of hundreds of Iranian-funded aid trucks every day. The warning surfaced on Thursday, July 2, and immediately drew alarm from activists who have worked throughout the war to stop the flow of supplies to the terror group. The concern is that the diverted aid is fueling Hamas's efforts to rearm and rebuild. The Tzav 9 movement, which has campaigned to block aid trucks from entering Gaza, called for an immediate and complete halt to their entry. The group charged that the seized supplies allow Hamas to "continue arming itself while preparing at full strength for the next October 7." It described the shipments as "trucks of death" and part of a "final solution" that the Iranian regime is planning against Israel. Tzav 9 warned that allowing hundreds of trucks a day to reach "those who kidnapped and murdered babies" could bring another assault on the communities around Gaza closer. The movement appealed directly to Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, calling this "a moment of truth, just before disaster strikes." Its message to the government was blunt: stop the Hamas trucks now. (INN/VFI News)

Former Israeli Ambassador to US Calls MoU a 'Massive Surrender to Iran'; Danny Ayalon, a former deputy foreign minister and Israel's former ambassador to the United States, branded the current US-Iran memorandum of understanding a "massive surrender" to Tehran during a radio interview on Thursday, July 2. He argued that the Islamic Republic now dictates the terms of its dealings with Washington. In his assessment, the arrangement reflects American submissiveness toward a regime that Israel fought openly only months ago. "What is happening today is massive surrender by the US to Iran; the Iranians are setting the tone, the US is releasing funds to Iran, and the Americans are not responding to provocations on Iranian territory," Ayalon said. He warned that Tehran is exploiting the opening to the fullest. In his telling, the regime had pushed hard to detach the Strait of Hormuz issue from the nuclear file and succeeded. Once Iran separated those two questions, Ayalon explained, the split handed the regime a measure of quiet on both fronts. He cautioned that the deal leaves the United States absorbing provocations without response, even as Iran consolidates its gains. His warning was a call to treat the moment as a strategic danger rather than a settled peace. (JPost/VFI News)



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