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Israeli Arabs' celebrations of Morocco's World Cup heroics wreak havoc in south

Bedouin communities in the Negev celebrate African country's win over Portugal by throwing rocks at police, forming gridlocks on highways and firing live rounds in the air, 'It will change when I'm minister,' Ben-Gvir warns Attila Somfalvi, Ilana Curiel 06:09

While the Arab world celebrated Morocco becoming the first a Arab or African nation to make it to the FIFA World Cup semi-finals, in Israel similar celebrations took an ugly turn late on Saturday.

Morocco continued their surprise run in Qatar on Saturday with a shock 1-0 victory over the highly fancied Portugal, booking a semi-final on Wednesday against current World Cup holders France.

The victory was celebrated in the West Bank and Gaza, as well as by the Israeli Arabs. Bedouins in the Negev in southern Israel celebrated by dancing in the streets, firing live rounds in the air and droving wildly on the roads - culminating in a car accident. Police arrested a 17-year-old teen, who threw rocks at police cars. "Israeli police will allow sportsmanship, but has zero tolerance for wild antics or violent incidents," said The Israel Police in a statement.

Footage from the Bedouin town of Segev Shalom, just south of Be'er Sheva, shows rocks being thrown at police cars, but no one was arrested there. In Laqiya, another Bedouin town, gridlocks were reported after many got out of their cars to celebrate mid-traffic, with some driving erratically and endangering pedestrians. Others were shooting live ammunition into the air.

Amid the chaos, the local council of the Bedouin town of Tel Sheva released a statement. "People are happy for Morocco. Celebrating the win is fine, but throwing rocks and damaging private property is no way to celebrate. The police intend to bring soldiers over to impose order, so please keep your children safe and stay home."

The post was later deleted, as there was no intent to bring any soldiers over in the first place.

MK Itamar Ben-Gvir, who is poised to take over the National Security Mministry, told Ynet that once he takes on the position, "things will change."

"They smashed traffic lights and threw rocks at the police, and the police ran away. Is that normal?"

"I love the police and I think we should raise their salaries. I don't think they're pushovers. Those in the field are great people. Netanyahu has already authorized billions to be added to the law-enforcement budget. But, I'm aiming for more, and I want a strong police in Holon, Rishon Lezion and Umm al-Fahm. All over Israel."

The police had no comment in response to Ben-Gvir's statements.

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Indictment reveals Hamas plot to recruit Shin Bet double agent Charges detail how Saber Abu Thabat contacted the terror outfit and accepted an offer to gather intelligence on the Israeli agency's methods in Gaza Ilana Curiell02:35

The State Attorney's Office pressed charges last week against a Gaza Strip resident and collaborator with Israeli intelligence service Shin Bet who was recruited by Hamas as a double agent.

Saber Mahmoud Yosef Abu Thabat, 28, was indicted for participating in a terror group and aiding an enemy.

The court case describes Hamas' methods of acquiring intelligence by manipulating Palestinians with work permits who can enter Israel from Gaza through the Erez Border Crossing.

While the Shin Bet is also working to recruit informants in Gaza, the case sheds light on the difficulties the agency faces in recruiting the right people, who won't become double agents for Hamas.

The terror outfit is eager to acquire more information about the way the Shin Bet operates in Gaza, and works to collect information about its agents.

According to the charges against Abu Thabat, he was offered to work with Israel once he crossed the border using his business permit.

Abu Thabat's Israeli operator provided him with money so that he could purchase a phone to stay in touch with him. Abu Thabat later called the told his operator that he didn't wish to work with him, severing all ties between them.

Some days later, Abu Thabat crossed back to Gaza through the Erez crossing, and then back to Hamas-ruled Gaza through another crossing. Abu Thabat approached the second crossing's director, a Hamas employee, and reported to him about his encounter with the Israeli operative.

Abu Thabat was then directed to another Hamas official who was in charge of Palestinians working with the Shin Bet. According to the charges, Abu Thabat was offered to work for Hamas gathering intelligence on Israel.

"I want you to contact him to see exactly what he wants," the Hamas official told Abu Thabat. "Report back to us while hiding the fact you're working with Hamas." Abu Thabat agreed and was instructed to meet with the Israeli operator in person and report back details including his appearance, the location where they met, their means of communication, and the tasks given to him to carry out within Gaza.

The Hamas official also instructed him to accept the tasks given to him, and report them back to Hamas so that they could carry them out without harming the organization. Once a week, Abu Thabat would meet with another Hamas official who would tell him to maintain contact with the Israeli operator.

Abu Thabat contacted the Israeli operator in September and was instructed by Hamas to stay in touch with him so that he'll be able to acquire a permit to enter Israel freely.

According to the charges, Hamas is monitoring and analyzing Shin Bet activities in Gaza. Hamas explained to Abu Thabat how the Shin Bet usually operates, telling him that he will likely be asked questions about himself before the Shin Bet will ask him to do anything.

Abu Thabat asked his Israeli operator several times about entry permits to Israel but did not mention he was questioned by Hamas when he returned to Gaza. He called the Israeli operator again in December and told him he wanted to cooperate with him, asking to arrange a meeting between them.

In their meeting, Abu Thabat said that Hamas did question him when he crossed into Gaza, but that he gave them no information about their talk.

In their next talk, Abu Thabat asked to meet with the Israeli again, who grew suspicious and asked him to take a photo of a Hamas facility in Gaza before meeting him. He then contacted his Hamas contact and told him about his task. The official told him to take the photo surreptitiously, and stressed that the organization will not protect him should he be caught.

After taking a photo of the facility in Gaza, Abu Thabat reported to Hamas that he was instructed to work at a hotel in Tel Aviv, causing the organization to suspect the hotel to be a secret facility and asking him to take photos of it alongside information about types of vehicles arriving at the hotel.

Abu Thabat was arrested by the Shin Bet when he crossed back into Israel and admitted to his cooperation with Hamas during his investigation.

"The defendant, by hurting Israel's security and working for Hamas in order to do harm, proved that he may hurt Israel further should he be released," the indictment against Abu Thabat stated.

"The defendant received a work permit allowing him to enter Israel and abused the permit and trust given to him while giving out information with the potential to harm Israel's security."

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Israel threatens to strike Beirut airport over Iran arms shipments - report
Asharq Al-Awsat quotes unnamed Israeli political sources as saying Jerusalem investigating allegations Iran had smuggled weapons through Beirut International Airport i24NEWS|00:38

Israel allegedly warned Lebanon on Saturday that it could bomb Beirut International Airport, after reports that Iran had recently transferred weapons to Hezbollah via civilian flights.

Asharq Al-Awsat, an Arabic-language newspaper published in London, quoted unnamed Israeli political sources as saying that Israel was investigating allegations that Iran had smuggled weapons through Beirut International Airport.

Earlier on Thursday, Al-Arabiya reported that Tehran used the airline Meraj, which has recently begun flying directly between the capitals of the two nations, to transfer weapons to Hezbollah.

Israel has in the past accused Iran of using direct flights to Lebanon to transfer equipment and weapons to the militant group. Jerusalem also accused the Iranian-backed organization of concealing underground precision missile production facilities near Beirut International Airport.

The Israeli army regularly targets weapons shipments deployed from Iran to Syria for Hezbollah. In June, suspected Israeli airstrikes against arms transfers put Damascus airport out of service for nearly two weeks.

Earlier on Thursday, the United States sanctioned Lebanese entities for allegedly providing financial services to and facilitating weapons procurement for Hezbollah. Reprinted with permission from i24NEWS.

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Netanyahu secures 64 majority, seeks 14-day extension to enable Deri in Cabinet

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Netanyahu secures parliament majority, seeks more time to form government
In letter to President Herzog, PM-designate requests full 14-day extension allowed by law, citing a need to agree on roles for his designated partners
Reuters 12.08.22 | 15:19

Incoming Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu signed up enough parties for a coalition with a parliamentary majority on Thursday but requested more time to present the new government, citing a need to agree on roles for his designated partners.

Netanyahu was tasked with forming a government after his conservative Likud and likely religious-nationalist partners triumphed in a Nov. 1 election. That mandate is due to expire on Sunday.

In a letter to President Isaac Herzog that Likud circulated to the media, Netanyahu requested the full 14-day extension allowed by law. Herzog's office had no immediate response.

"Some issues related to roles have yet to be agreed upon" in coalition negotiations, Netanyahu wrote in the letter.

The centrist opposition has urged Herzog not to grant an extension, accusing Netanyahu of buying time to pass controversial legislation. One such bill would enable Aryeh Deri of the ultra-Orthodox Shas party to serve in the Cabinet despite his criminal record. Earlier on Thursday, Likud said in a statement it had reached a coalition deal with Shas, making it the fifth party to join Netanyahu and giving him comfortable control of 64 of the Knesset's 120 seats.

"We have completed another step toward the formation of a right-wing government that will act to serve all of Israel's citizens," Netanyahu said in the statement.

According to the agreement, Deri will head the interior and health ministries during the first half of the government's term, then take up the Finance Ministry in the second half. Deri will also serve as deputy prime minister under Netanyahu.

Deri, a veteran politician, was convicted of tax fraud last year but spared jail in a plea deal. His inclusion in the new government, alongside two far-right parties run by hardline West Bank settlers, has stirred concern in Israel and abroad.

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At least three Palestinians killed by troops in Jenin refugee camp IDF says forces entered camp to arrest three men suspected of terror activity when militants opened fire; troops apprehend suspects and leave area unharmed; Palestinians call for general strike
Einav Halabi | 00:06

At least three Palestinians were killed early on Thursday in exchanges of fire with troops in the Jenin Refugee camp.

The IDF force was conducting a raid to arrest three residents suspected of terror activity when militants opened fire, the IDF said adding that the suspects were apprehended and the troops left the area, with no injuries to the force.

The official Palestinian news agency reported that "confrontations and violent clashes" erupted between residents of Jenin and the Israeli forces.

Troops exchange fire with militants in Jenin refugee camp

Old photos circulating on social media showed two of the three Palestinians who were killed posing with rifles.

The three were identified as Tareq Aldamage, Sudki Zakarna and Ata Shalbi. Palestinian media also shared footage showing an ambulance hit by Israeli gunshots in Jenin.

Palestinian factions in the city called for a general strike to mourn the dead and show solidarity with their families.

They also said troops arrested the father of the man who shot at an IDF post near the settlement of O fra on Wednesday. Moujahid Mahmoud Hamed was shot by forces soon after the incident.

More than 140 Palestinians have been killed in Israeli-Palestinian fighting in the West Bank and east Jerusalem this year, making it the deadliest year since 2006.

The Associated Press contributed to the report

12.07.22

Lebanon arrests hundreds of spy suspects, claiming financial woes caused by Israel

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Lebanon arrests of Israel spy suspects surge amid crisis

Hundreds arrested over alleged collaboration with Israel, with many saying Lebanese government uses suspects as scapegoats, claiming country's financial woes is the result of their actions

AFP|13:11

Lebanon has arrested 185 people suspected of collaborating with enemy state Israel since its economic collapse three years ago left many Lebanese desperate for cash, two security sources said Wednesday.

That number has jumped significantly from a previous average of four or five arrests a vear, one of the sources said.

"This is the first time that so many people have been arrested on charges of collaborating with Israel, and it's because of the crisis," said the other security source. Both were speaking on condition of anonymity.

Lebanon has been battered by a severe financial and economic crisis since 2019 that has seen the national currency crash, led banks to freeze deposits and plunged much of the population into dire poverty.

"This was a boon for the Israelis, who targeted Lebanese on social media with job advertisements for phony companies," the second source said.

A recruiter would then call the applicants, some of whom did not know they had been contacted by an Israeli spy agency.

Out of all those arrested since 2019, only three had been allegedly working with Israel prior to the crisis, one of the sources said. Of the 185, so far 165 had been prosecuted and convicted and sentenced.

Lebanon technically remains at war with Israel and forbids citizens from having any contact with Israel or traveling there.

Of the suspects, two had reached out directly to Israel's Mossad intelligence agency for work via its website.

Several detainees who suspected they had been contacted by Israeli intelligence "carried on anyway because they did not have a problem with Israel and hated Hezbollah," an Iran-backed armed group with huge sway over political life in Lebanon, one source said. Israel and Hezbollah fought a 33-day war in Lebanon in 2006.

Early this year Lebanon arrested 21 people suspected of being spies for Israel, a judicial source said in January.

Lebanese security services have arrested dozens over the years on suspicions of collaborating with Israel, with some receiving jail terms of up to 25 years.

Between April 2009 and 2014, Lebanese authorities detained more than 100 people accused of spying for Israel, most of them members of the military or telecom employees, before the rate of arrests started to decline for several years.

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Israel withholds visas for UN officials accused of clear anti-Israeli biases

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Israel withholds visas for UN officials accused of pro-Palestinian bias

Foreign Ministry says OCHA employees consistently undercount Israeli victims of
Palestinian terror attacks and fail to classify such attacks accordingly; 'There is no reason to continue to allow the entry of UN officials who lie about what's happening in Israel,'
UN envoy says
Itamar Eichner|09:45

The Foreign Ministry halted the issuance of entry permits for officials of the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) due to what it considers the agency's systematically distorted reports of terrorist attacks in the country.

According to the ministry, OCHA employees consistently undercount Israeli victims of Palestinian terror attacks and fail to classify such attacks accordingly.

The agency is accused of reporting the killing or harming of Israeli civilians under "disputed" circumstances while taking reports about Palestinian casualties at face value and pointing the blame at Israel, including in clashes between IDF forces and armed Palestinian militants.

As reported by Ynet last month, the agency refused to recognize the killing of Shulamit Rachel Ovadia by a Palestinian as an act of terrorism, stating that the killer's motives were "unclear".

In another case, the agency described Eliyahu Kay, who was murdered last year in the Old City of Jerusalem by a Palestinian gunman, as "a settler who was murdered in occupied territory". However, he lived in Modi'in-Maccabim-Reut, a city within Israel proper.

This is in addition to clear anti-Israeli biases that agency officials present every week in their regular reports to the UN.

Last summer, the agency removed Sarah Muscroft, the head of its branch in the so-called "Occupied Palestinian Territory", from her post after she condemned Palestinian Islamic Jihad's "indiscriminate rocket fire" in a tweet into Israeli population centers during the most recent Gaza conflict.

Muscroft was transferred following Palestinian pressure. In addition, the agency's Middle East and North Africa arm is headed by a Palestinian who the Foreign Ministry says holds an unneutral view on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

Israel's Permanent Representative to the United Nations Gilad Erdan leads a persistent battle against the agency and demands it also includes in its reports stone-throwing and Molotov cocktail attacks against Jews in the West Bank and Jerusalem.

Erdan addressed the issue many times to UN Secretary-General António Guterres and claimed that the agency has failed to mention Jewish victims of terrorism in its reports. "OCHA continues to present a false image of reality. Time after time they choose to ignore Israeli victims of terrorism and the existence of Palestinian terror," Erdan said. "It is a disgrace to the UN that Palestinians censor OCHA reports and causes the dismissal of those who 'dare' to condemn Palestinian terrorism. Jewish lives matter and we must fight this discrimination in any way possible. There is no reason to continue to allow the entry of UN officials who lie about what's happening in Israel and support terrorism against it."

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Netanyahu needs one more party for coalition, may seek more time PM-designate currently controls 53 of the Knesset's 120 seats, as Shas leader Arieh Der-Likud's last likely coalition ally - dodges talks to secure a parliamentary majority Reuters 107:04

Designated Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu was still one partner short of a coalition to secure a parliamentary majority on Wednesday after an ultra-Orthodox Jewish party signed up, with the deadline for forming a government looming.

The deal with United Torah Judaism (UTJ), announced late on Tuesday, promised Netanyahu control of 53 of the Knesset's 120 seats with his conservative Likud party. That left Shas, an ultra-Orthodox party with 11 seats, as Likud's last likely ally.

After coming ahead in a Nov. 1 election, Netanyahu was given 28 days to present a coalition. Commentators predicted he would do so in short order, given the strong showing of religious-nationalist parties. But negotiations have proven protracted.

The inclusion of far-rightists in the incoming government has stirred fear at home and abroad for the future of Israel's long-moribund talks with the Palestinians and fraught ties between its majority Jews and 21% Arabs citizens.

Netanyahu has said he will serve all Israelis but has not indicated any plan for reviving talks with Palestinians.

UTJ said in a statement on the Likud deal, which it agreed even though some details were pending, that talks needed to be extended beyond Sunday's deadline for a coalition agreement.

President Isaac Herzog can extend the mandate by 14 days.

Among issues dogging the coalition talks is a tax-fraud conviction of Shas leader Arieh Deri, a candidate for finance minister. Shas has submitted legislation that would enable Deri - who was spared jail under a plea deal - to serve in cabinet.

Netanyahu has yet to request an extension for coalition talks. But the centrist opposition has accused him of planning to use any extra time he might get to push the Deri-linked bill through parliament before his government is in office.

Outgoing Justice Minister Gideon Saar said on Twitter that any request for extra time would be a "ruse (to enable) the passing of personalized and problematic laws, in accordance with the demands of (coalition) partners, before the government is set up." United Arab List (UAL), a party that draws support from Israel's Arab citizens and which was part of the outgoing coalition, signaled it might be willing to join Netanyahu. "I'm not ruling this out," UAL leader Mansour Abbas told 103 FM radio, saying he awaited word on the new government's policies.

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Liberman says exempting 175,000 Haredi students would spur tax revolt

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Liberman says Haredi coalition demands would spur tax revolt

Outgoing treasurer argues Netanyahu's government would bifurcate the people between those who serve in the army and pay taxes, and those who don't Moran Azulay|Yesterday | 09:28

Outgoing Finance Minister Avigdor Liberman on Tuesday protested what he considered far-reaching concessions by Benjamin Netanyahu's Likud party in government negotiations with ultra-Orthodox factions, and warned that complying with their demands would lead to a "tax revolt."

"The minimum estimate of what was promised to them in the agreements is NIS 20 billion (\$5.8 billion)," Liberman said. "Funding of institutions that do not teach core subjects would require an extra NIS 6 million in budgeting. These promises made to Haredi parties will lead to a tax revolt."

So far, Likud had struck up agreements with Otzma Yehudit, Noam, and the Religious Zionist Party. Talks with ultra-Orthodox parties United Torah Judaism and Shas are still ongoing.

Liberman argued that, despite the freshly-inked agreements, Prime Minister-designate Benjamin Netanyahu is dividing civilians into two categories — those who get educated, serve in the military and pay taxes; and those who don't work and don't serve.

"As of today, there is a group in Israel of 175,000 yeshiva students aged 16 to 67, and 90% of them are do-nothings," said the Yisrael Beiteinu chief. "Billions of shekels are spent on liabilities to them that include allowances, food stamps, and additional issues."

Liberman added that "people are tired of being pushed around," and that while he does not support a tax revolt, he believes some kind of tex resistance is "simply an inevitability."

Coming off another irate screed against Netanyahu and Haredi factions, the treasurer also attacked soon-to-be former Prime Minister Yair Lapid and Defense Minister Benny Gantz.

"I also have plenty of criticism for Lapid and Gantz, trying to make nice with the Haredi parties," he stated. "The closer we get to Shas and United Torah Judaism — the farther we get from God ... These are not negotiations, this is extortion."

Meanwhile, outgoing Justice Minister Gidon Sa'ar urged President Isaac Herzog to reject Netanyahu's request to extend his deadline to announce a new government.

"Netanyahu is trying to deal with personal issues and small-minded considerations about the incoming coalition. That's not what the extension is for," he said.

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Smotrich has sweeping power of construction and demolition in the West Bank

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Far-right party to make key West Bank appointments as part of coalition deal Bezalel Smotrich's faction will be able to give final approval of construction and demolition of homes, making him a key maker in dealing with Palestinians and Israelis living in West Bank settlements

Far-right Religious Zionist Party party received considerable authority over the Israeli government's civilian activities in the West Bank, according to a partial coalition agreement published on Monday.

The deal reached between the incoming prime minister Benjamin Netanyahu and the leader of Religious Zionist Bezalel Smotrich will see the faction influencing the appointment of key officials as well the final approval of construction and demolition of houses in a majority of the territory.

The agreement, however, requires that the minister appointed to this post, which will likely be taken by Smotrich himself, will act in coordination with the next prime minister and will need his approval.

The future minister will play a key role in dealing with Palestinians and Israeli residents of West Bank settlements. In particular, he will have the power to appoint the heads of the Coordinator of Government Activities in the Territories (COGAT) and of the Israeli Civil Administration, responsible for the government's civil policy in the West Bank.

These posts are usually attributed by the Chief of Staff of the Israeli military (IDF), with the approval of the defense minister. A number of former Israeli politicians and senior IDF officers have spoken out against the deal, which gives Smotrich sweeping powers over Israeli settlements and daily Palestinian life.

Religious Zionism will also take control of the Immigration and Absorption Ministry, and Settlements Ministry united in the new National Missions Ministry, and the Constitutional Committee of the Knesset and a committee in charge of the projects of infrastructure and reforms

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IDF soldiers ring alarm over 'anarchic' left-wing activists in West Bank
Chairman of right-wing NGO and IDF veteran says 'Israel reached a surreal situation in which anarchists harm IDF's operational routine'; another soldier says left-wing activists cause Palestinian suspects to evade the forces
Nina Fox 03:48

Last week, footage emerged, showing a Givati Brigade soldier punching a left-wing activist in the head. The soldier who was filming the altercation was heard on camera, saying, "Itamar Ben-Gvir will create order." The soldier responsible for the remarks was sentenced to 10 days in a military prison.

Following the incident, testimonies of IDF veterans began to emerge. The troops recalled the difficulties they had to face when confronting left-wing activists during their service, and how the activity of pro-Palestinian campaigners negatively impacted the development on the ground.

Aviram Zeevi, the chairman of the "Ad Kan" NGO, which investigates protest activities considered detrimental to Israel's image and resilience, said he encountered "anarchists" during his service many times. Zeevi served as a commander in a reserves infantry battalion for 20 years,

In the most recent incident, Zeevi and his battalion encountered left-wing activists who stood on a hill near an area where riots often break out, and observed the forces for a long

time before clashing with the troops. He said the Palestinians would help the activists by initiating the riots. He said they would throw stones, burn tires, and try to set aflame IDF outposts across the West Bank barrier while soldiers were still inside them. "There is no single IDF combatant who has not encountered or suffered from the activities of the anarchists. We have reached a surreal situation in which anarchists harm the IDF's operational routine. The incoming government must end this phenomenon," Zeevi said.

Liran Baruch, an IDF veteran from 202nd Paratrooper Battalion, who lost his eye during operational activity, said that he served 10 months in Hebron and faced "anarchist activities" on a daily basis.

"They forget IDF troops are humans as well. No one knows how the anarchists taunt soldiers just before they turn on the camera. The fact that the State of Israel has not handled this phenomenon so far is absurd."

Major "M" who also served in the West Bank said called the reality pf having to deal with the activists as "intolerable."

"On several occasions Palestinian suspects or suspicious vehicles evaded the forces because of this interference. IDF troops don't have the authority to act against them, and our hands were tied. They must be handled through arrests and prosecution."

Amichai Sahar, 21, was a combat engineer, said he also encountered left-wing activists who tried to provoke him and his fellow comrades.

"I served two months in the West Bank, and I encountered many left-wing anarchists - usually the same people. They have special methods and they know what to do to provoke you. They also bring a bunch of tourists with cameras even for minor events just to make a mess. And when we were checking Palestinian IDs, they would tell the tourists the more we use our system to check them, the bigger the reward.

"I also served with many Border Police troops, and they don't even listen to them, Israel must change the attitude toward IDF soldiers in the West Bank, it cannot allow them to be insulted in such a manner," Sahar added.

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Passenger hysteria at Ben Gurion Airport after car thief rams through checkpoint

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Iran executed 4 spys receiving cryptocurrency wages from Mossad

12.04.22 – Su- - - News Placed in December 03 spot – Saturday

Hamas fires anti-aircraft missiles at jets as IDF strikes rocket site & tunnel

12.03.22 – Sa- - - News – Saturday

One Gaza rocket response to a killing of Jihad faction commander in Jenin

12.03.22 – Sa- - - News Placed in December 05 spot – Monday

Qatar envoy warns Hamas against escalation during World Cup; ending December 18

12.02.22 – Fr- - - News – Friday

Border Police officer stabbed in a West Bank terror attack, PA assailant killed

12.01.22 – Th- - - News – Thursday

Israeli President Herzog to visit Abu Dhabi, Bahrain for Global Space Congress