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Hamas fires heavy rocket barrage at cities in the south including Ashdod after fire exchanged in north

Border communities under come under constant rocket fire since morning hours while IDF strikes on Gaza continue

Yoav Zitun, Matan Tzuri, Elnav Halabi|Updated:05:38

The Iran-backed Hezbollah terror group on Wednesday, fired mortar shells at Israel. The IDF attacked southern Lebanon in response as residents were sent to the shelters.

Up close and personal: Meeting the people of Sderot who struggle in a devastating war In Gaza, the Air Force bombed the Islamic University in Gaza. The military said Hamas engineers were trained there. The military also said. Strikes on the strip continued all morning.

Israel fired its largest artillery shell against Hamas targets, able to cross from one side of the Gaza Strip to the next. The shell has a range of up to 40 kilometers (25 miles) and has not been used since the 2006 Second Lebanon War.

Meanwhile, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu met with National Unity leader Benny Gantz after negotiations to establish a unity government had not yet succeeded. Gantz insisted that if he were to join Netanyahu at this critical time, decision-making must be limited to a small group of a security cabinet that would be assembled and would not include far-right National Security Minister Itamar Ben-Gvir.

The IDF spokesperson said Hamas had intended to conquer border area communities; he confirmed that over 1,200 Israelis have died since the murderous Hamas attack on Saturday and that 5,000 rockets were fired by the Gaza terrorists, at Israeli cities and communities. Israel struck more than 2,300 targets in the Gaza Strip. Overnight, it launched 200 attacks on the Al-Furqan neighborhood in Gaza City which is a known Hamas hub. "This is the third strike in the last 24 hours, and more than 450 targets were hit in the quarter which is a next of terror from which Hamas launched much of its attacks on Israel," the IDF spokesman said.

Palestinians said that Israeli strikes killed the brother of Mohammed Deif, head of Hamas's military wing, and members of his family overnight, including his son and granddaughter. There are others trapped amid the ruins of the home, in the south of the Gaza Strip.

The U.S. was trying to secure the evacuation of Palestinian Americans from Gaza through a humanitarian corridor to Egypt, NBC reported early on Wednesday. According to the report, U.S. President Joe Biden urged Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu to avoid civilian casualties in raids on the Strip

Meanwhile, Defense Minister Yoav Gallant toured the Gaza border region Tuesday evening and spoke with soldiers in the field. Gallant to the soldiers: "I have lifted all

restrictions; we have taken control of the sector and are moving to a full-scale attack. Hamas wanted a change in Gaza, you will have the honor to turn the tables on its head."

"You stood bravely on the front line, struck many terrorists, and saved lives. You saw firsthand what we are fighting against - human beasts - the Islamic State of Gaza. Thanks to your heroic action in this defense mission, you will have the honor of changing the reality here. You saw the costs, and you will witness the turnaround," he told troops in the field.

"Hamas wanted a change in Gaza, it will change 180 degrees from what they thought. They will regret this moment - Gaza will not return to what it was." The defense minister added, "There will be no situation where Israeli children are murdered in the fields, and Hamas continues to exist. I have lifted all restrictions - we will kill everyone who fights us, using all means. Whoever comes to behead, to murder women, Holocaust survivors - we will annihilate them."

Meanwhile, the Health Ministry reported that as of Tuesday 7pm, 535 people were hospitalized across Israel with injuries sustained in Hamas's attack.

One of them was reportedly in critical condition, 105 in serious condition, 262 in moderate condition and 167 in light condition. So far, 2,901 have been admitted to hospitals across the country with injuries sustained in the attack.

Earlier, fourteen rockets were fired from Lebanon into northern Israel - triggering air raid sirens in the Western Galilee region, four of which were intercepted by Israeli air defense systems and ten others crashed in unpopulated areas, the IDF reported Tuesday evening.

The military said it responded with artillery fire, hitting two Hezbollah observation posts. Hezbollah-affiliated Lebanese TV channel Al-Mayadin reported that three rocket volleys were fired into northern Israel.

The Municipality of Ma'alot-Tarshiha in the Upper Galilee has instructed its residents to stay near protected spaces following "impacts in the Goren, Shlomi, Liman and Hanita areas."

An anti-tank missile was then fired from Lebanese territory toward an Israeli armored army vehicle near the Avivim military base. An Israeli attack helicopter struck another Hezbollah post in retaliation.

The attack came a day after a series of Israeli strikes on Hezbollah outposts along the border killed at least three members of the Iranian-backed terrorist group. The Israeli offensive came in response to a border incursion by armed terrorists in which 300th Brigade Deputy Commander Lt. Col. Alim Abdullah was killed. Palestinian Islamic Jihad claimed responsibility for the assault.

The IDF released Tuesday evening the names of two additional Israeli soldiers who were killed in the clash. The fallen soldiers are Sergeant First Class Joad Aamar, 23, from Hurfeish and Sergeant First Class (res.) Gilad Molkho, 33, from Tel Aviv, an Egoz soldier.

Meanwhile, Two foreign workers were killed in the Eshkol region near the Gaza border Tuesday afternoon by a rocket fired from the Palestinian enclave. First responders provided first aid to another foreign worker in his 30s who was seriously injured and airlifted him to a hospital.

The police said that several impact sites have been detected throughout the southern city of Ashkelon, as well as **unexploded ordnance** and shrapnel, some of which are intact and fell without interception, and there is concern that they might still detonate or explode.

A woman in her 50s was moderately injured by shattered glass and debris that fell on her after one of the rockets directly hit her Ashkelon home. The Magen David Adom ambulance service transported her to the southern city's Barzilai Medical Center.

**Civilians** were **instructed to stay away from suspicious items and report them.**

Firefighting and rescue teams are operating in the city. Some of the hits were in open areas, and a vehicle was damaged in the city.

**Gaza** terrorists also fired several **heavy rocket salvos at central Israeli cities**, with rockets reaching as far as Wadi Ara, the northernmost point targeted since the beginning of hostilities on Saturday. It was later reported that a Palestinian man was killed in the West Bank city of Baqa al-Sharqiya in the Wadi Ara region by a rocket fired from the Gaza Strip.

**Hamas** claimed to have **targeted Ben Gurion Airport**, however, Israeli authorities have denied the claims and said that **operations were running as usual**. One rocket also crashed in the central city of Rishon LeZion. There were no reports of injuries.

Earlier, the IDF Spokesperson's Unit reported that **Israeli aircraft eliminated Hamas' Economy Minister** Jouad Abu Shamala overnight. As part of his role, Abu Shamala **managed** the organization's **finances** and **allocated funds** to finance and direct **terror** within and outside the Gaza Strip. In the past, he held security roles in the terror organization and, as part of his responsibilities, led several operations aimed at harming Israeli civilians. Earlier, Hamas announced that he and another senior official in the organization's politburo, Zakaria Muamar, were killed in an Israeli bombing.

Earlier on **Tuesday**, the scope of the **atrocities** carried out by Hamas terrorists on Saturday **continued to come to light in security footage from border communities** and by media invited by the IDF to observe the scene on the ground after residents were evacuated and terrorists removed.

The Washington Post showed **footage of hostages** who were taken by Hamas and who were seen in subsequent clips, **killed** after a Hamas official told Sky News that the terrorists did not kill civilians.

Josh Wander, the international spokesman with the Israeli search and rescue service ZAKA, told the Post that **large teams cleared bodies all day from Kibbutz Be'eri**,” and that his group had found **at least 108 bodies thus far**. “We’ve recovered bodies [of] dozens of men, women and children,” Wander said. “It’s clear to us that when [Hamas] went in [to the area], they just basically mowed down and murdered anyone that they found however they found them — **in their cars and their houses**.”

While rocket fire to the south continued through the morning hours and into the early afternoon, journalists were allowed to enter the communities overrun by the Hamas terrorists to see the carnage left there.

Germany announced an investigation into Hamas for suspected murder, manslaughter and hostage-taking, a spokesperson for the federal public prosecutor said. The Foreign Ministry in Berlin confirmed that its citizens were among the hostages held in Gaza. President Issac Herzog visited residents of the south in a hotel outside Jerusalem, where they were taken after their communities were evacuated. He was confronted by angry calls from residents who demanded the establishment of a unity government. Talks to form such a government continued on Tuesday supported by all members of the Likud and other coalition partners. Itamar Ben-Gvir, leader of Otzma Yehudit, added his voice to the move after opposing any formation of a limited security panel of ministers, without him, to decide matters of security.

Civilians took it upon themselves to respond to the needs of residents of the Gaza border for emotional support as well as items of clothing, toys and other essential supplies, which the government had not stepped in to address.

Earlier, the government approved the call-up of a further 360,000 reservists on Tuesday, doubling the number currently deployed. The Air Force will be dispatching planes to locations in Europe to provide transport for Israelis serving in the military reserves who are attempting to return and join the fighting.

The military spokesperson said 123 members of the IDF have been confirmed dead since Saturday's murderous Hamas assault and that the families of 50 confirmed captives in Gaza have been informed thus far.

He said Israel had full control of the Gaza border area although encounters with infiltrating terrorists may still occur. "This is a war zone," he said. "We are building a wall made of tanks, planes and choppers to prevent incursions and our policy of engagement there is to shoot and kill anyone approaching the border," RAdm. Daniel Hagari said adding that all civilians in the communities on the border have been evacuated.

In an earlier briefing, Hagari said that the military is receiving assistance from the U.S. CENTCOM including coordination of intelligence and operations. "The Americans stations assets with naval vessels that can help protect Israel," he said. IDF Chief of Staff Herzl Halevi spoke with his U.S. counterpart for the first time overnight and was assured of total support.

Forces killed a terrorist in the Gaza border area overnight while more than 100 airstrikes were carried out in Gaza overnight as bombing sorties continued.

U.S. Secretary of State Antony Blinken discussed U.S. support for Israel in a call with Israeli Foreign Minister Eli Cohen, the State Department said in a statement early Tuesday. Blinken "reaffirmed our efforts to secure the immediate release of all hostages," the statement said. Blinken also spoke with French Foreign Minister Catherine Colonna, reiterating their condemnation of Hamas' attacks on Israel, the department said in a separate statement.

Israel named 300th Brigade Deputy Commander Lt. Col. Alim Abdullah as the IDF officer who died in a clash with Palestinian Islamic Jihad (PIJ) terrorists at the Lebanon border Monday afternoon. Abdullah, 40, was a resident of the Druze town of Yanuh-Jat and was scheduled to conclude his military service this coming Sunday. Six of his

nephews received emergency military call-up orders, but returned home following his fall in battle. Abdullah's funeral was held on Tuesday evening.

His family has been notified of his death and a mourning tent was established in his community Monday night. The IDF said, "We share in the family's grief and will continue to support them."

Abdullah and his soldiers responded to an alert about a border breach. They encountered four suspects, engaged in a confrontation and neutralized two, while the third suspect fled back to Lebanon.

Six Israeli soldiers were injured in the ensuing shootout to varying degrees, including Abdullah, who was critically wounded and subsequently succumbed to his injuries. Lebanese terrorist group Hezbollah denied involvement in the attack, while Palestinian Islamic Jihad claimed responsibility for it.

In response to the border clash, Israel launched a series of retaliatory strikes on Hezbollah military posts in Southern Lebanon, including airstrikes and artillery shelling, killing three of the organization's operatives there.

Israel has reportedly mobilized some 300,000 troops in recent days following Hamas's devastating incursion into southern Israel, amassing significant forces on the Lebanese border as well for fear that Iranian-backed Hezbollah might exploit the disarray to open an additional front in the north.

Meanwhile, rocket sirens sounded again in Gaza border towns overnight Tuesday after several hours of relative calm.

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Calling the brutality of Hamas abhorrent, university president Claudine Gay says no student group — not even 30 student groups — speaks for Harvard

Daniel Edelson, New York, Reuters|04:13

Prominent Harvard University alumni on Monday denounced a pro-Palestinian statement from students that blamed Israel for violence engulfing the region and urged the university to take action against the signatories.

A coalition of 34 Harvard student organizations said they "hold the Israeli regime entirely responsible for all unfolding violence" following decades of occupation, adding that "the apartheid regime is the only one to blame."

The Gaza-ruling Hamas terror group brutally attacked Israel on Saturday in the worst breach of the country's defenses since Arab armies waged war in 1973. **more than 1,200 Israelis** mostly civilians including **women and children were killed**. Israel has responded with air strikes on Gaza.

The organizations signing the letter included Muslim and Palestinian support groups plus others named for a variety of backgrounds including the Harvard Jews for Liberation and the African American Resistance Organization. **Reuters could not verify how many students supported the letter.**

**Harvard President Claudine Gay and senior leadership** including **15 deans** issued a **statement** on **Monday** that said they were "heartbroken by the death and destruction unleashed by the attack by Hamas that targeted citizens in Israel this weekend." In her statement on the University website, she said: "Let there be **no doubt that I condemn the terrorist atrocities perpetrated by Hamas**. Such inhumanity is abhorrent, whatever one's individual views of the origins of longstanding conflicts in the region," she said. Let me also state, on this matter as on others, that **while our students have the right to speak** for themselves, **no student group** — **not even 30 student groups** — **speaks for Harvard University or its leadership.**"

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**Migrant workers, revelers and foreign students: Many foreign nationals among dead and abducted**

**Countries** around the globe are **shocked by Hamas' bloodbath**; Foreign citizens number **among the dead and captured in Gaza**; **Dozens from Thailand and Nepal** who had come to study on agricultural programs in Israel, **many from US and UK; France and Spain** oppose suspending aid to Palestinians as Australia investigates **protesters chanting 'Gas the Jews'**

Ynet, News Agencies | 23:09

With a sense of shock, the **world media** continues to follow the heartbreaking images coming from the **horrific Hamas attack**, which also targeted a weekend music festival in southern Israel. As time passes, it has become **increasingly clear** that the murdered, **abducted and missing include many foreign nationals** - some visiting from overseas, others Israelis with dual citizenship. This only increases international concern regarding the situation in Israel since the **killing spree began on Saturday morning** that has claimed **unprecedented numbers of casualties.**

The horrible reality in which there are **dozens of foreign citizens** injured and captured as part of the Hamas attack is **expected** to lead foreign countries to assert international **pressure on Hamas** to release the captives. It's hard to predict, however, how effective that might prove. After the kidnapping of Gilad Shalit, for example, France tried to bring about his release for years, but without success.

The U.S. announced that at least 11 of its citizens have been murdered by Hamas, and that further U.S. citizens are considered missing. One missing American citizen is California native Hersh Goldberg-Polin, an Israeli-American who has just completed his IDF military service.

In Britain, the BBC reported the fear that more than 10 Britons have been killed in the attack or are presently missing. One of them is IDF lone soldier Nathaniel Young, and the school he attended in North London said they were "devastated" by the news of his death. Jake Marlow, who was working as a security guard at the festival, also attended JFS, and is currently missing. British photographer Dan Darlington is also missing and, according to the BBC, his family believes he is dead. Another murdered Briton is Bernard Cohen, who grew up in Glasgow, Scotland, before making aliyah.

In France, officials announced that at least eight French citizens were murdered, abducted or declared missing. It's believed that one captive is a 26-year-old man from Bordeaux who attended the Supernova music festival in Re'im. Kim Danti, a 22-year-old Israeli-Irish citizen who was at the festival, is also missing.

Germany confirmed that Shani Lock was the German citizen abducted from the party in Re'im. It's not known whether or not she is still alive. Her mother, Ricarda Lock, identified her this week as the young woman in a Hamas video lying motionless in the back of a van, surrounded by terrorists. The government in Berlin estimates there are additional Israeli-German citizens who were kidnapped by Hamas. As of Monday, three Israelis with Austrian citizenship have also been identified as missing, possibly abducted. At least one Russian citizen has been killed, and a further nine are missing.

The murdered, kidnapped and missing people also include dozens of students and migrant workers from Asian and African countries: Thailand reported that 18 of its citizens were murdered and believes a further 11 were abducted and taken to Gaza. 10 Nepali citizens have also been murdered. The Nepalese government stated that they were students on an agricultural training program in Israel. One student from Cambodia has also been killed, and two intern students from Tanzania are missing. Furthermore, there are reports that Chinese citizens were also murdered in the attack. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Beijing stated Tuesday that it is continuing its efforts to verify this information.

On Tuesday, in distant Thailand, relatives of missing Thai citizens described the nerve-racking wait for information regarding the fate of their loved ones. The father of Natthaporn Onkaew, who came to Israel two years ago as an agricultural laborer, said: "I asked him: 'Are you sure you want to go to this dangerous country where there are conflicts all the time?' But he said it was fine." Now Natthaporn is one of the 11 Thais taken captive by Hamas, as his father in the village of Ban Nong Song in northern Thailand sleeplessly waits for updates.

Natthaporn's parents identified him in a picture circulating on social media, showing hostages with their hands apparently tied. "He was going to play soccer with his friend.



Then he hung up the phone" his mother said of the last conversation with him on Friday. Her voice cracking, she said: "I want them to release my son ... I'm speechless. It's completely dark. Help the hostages as soon as possible. This is the only thing I want to tell the government."

Natthaporn is the family's sole breadwinner, sending his parents 30,000 - 40,000 baht (\$812-\$1,083) each month with which they pay his 12-year-old sister's school tuition. He is one of approximately 30,000 Thai nationals working in Israel, mainly in the agricultural sector. Thousands now want to return home.

The Thai government announced that it has no information concerning the condition of the captives, but that it is in contact with the authorities in Israel and **hopes Hamas will not harm the hostages**. In addition to the 11 Thai hostages, a further 18 of their countrymen have been murdered, and nine injured.

In South America, Brazil has stated that three of its citizens, who hold dual Israeli-Brazilian citizenship, are missing, and that another Brazilian citizen has been injured. **Argentina** announced that **four** of its citizens have been **murdered** and **four** are missing. **Paraguay, Colombia, Peru and Chile** stated that **each country had two citizens missing**, and **Mexico** said that **two** of its citizens have been taken **hostage**.

In the meantime, rallies for and against Israel continue around the globe. The Australian police announced on Tuesday that they have opened an investigation against pro-Palestinian protesters following videos in which a small group were heard chanting antisemitic slogans near the Sydney Opera House. The protest, attended by 1,000 pro-Palestinian activists, was held on Monday, as the Opera House was lit up in the colors of the Israeli flag as a gesture of solidarity. In videos taken at the protest, posted by the Federation of Australian Jews and broadcast on Sky News, **protesters were heard calling: "Gas the Jews."**

The New South Wales Premier Chris Minns criticized the Palestinian protest, saying that **these calls are appalling**. "We are a tolerant and multicultural country," he said. Australian Prime Minister Anthony Albanese added: "I understand that people have deep issues relating to the Middle East conflict but here **in Australia we have to deal with political discourse in a respectful way.**"

New South Wales Police said they were reviewing the recordings to determine whether a criminal offense had been committed. The organization that held the protest emphasized that it reserved the right to protest Israel's "apartheid," but emphasized that a small group of "despicable antisemitic participants" who came to the event had no place in the movement: "We are a **movement that works against racism and against colonialism**, and we refuse to fight racism with racism."

Meanwhile, the **European Union's** foreign ministers met on Tuesday for an **emergency meeting** regarding the war. The **EU** announced on Monday that, in light of recent events, it is **re-examining its aid to the Palestinians**. **Leading countries in the EU** have **expressed their opposition to suspending aid**. Spain's Foreign Minister Jose Manuel Albares said that his country opposes the suspension of aid, saying that it's likely that the **Palestinian Territories will** actually **need more aid in the near future** following the expected Israeli response.

"This cooperation must continue - we must not confuse Hamas, which is on the EU's list of terror organizations, with the Palestinian population, the Palestinian Authority or the UN organizations operating in the field," Albares told Spanish radio. The Foreign Ministry in Paris also stated that France does not support the suspension of EU aid that directly helps the Palestinians.

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In 1st since Hamas attack, shelling from Syria lands in Israel

Third front? Troops respond with artillery fire and mortar shells, targeting site from which first attack originated; Syrian war monitor claims shelling carried out by Hezbollah-affiliated Palestinian groups

Yoav Zitun, Hadar Adi | 16:46

For the first time since Hamas' surprise attack on Israel over the weekend, mortar shells were fired from Syria into Israel, landing in an open area, the IDF Spokesperson's Unit said Tuesday night.

More than 1,200 Israelis feared dead in Hamas attack, officials estimate

Just minutes after the initial report of the shelling from Syria, the IDF reported that its soldiers responded with artillery fire and mortar shells, targeting the site from which the first attack originated.

According to the Syrian Observatory For Human Rights, a London-based opposition war monitor, the shelling was carried out by Palestinian groups affiliated with Hezbollah.

Earlier on Tuesday, several rocket salvos were fired from Lebanon into northern Israel.

The IDF retaliated with artillery fire. Additionally, an anti-tank missile was fired from Lebanese territory toward an Israeli military armored vehicle near the Avivim military base. In retaliation, an Israeli helicopter attacked a Hezbollah post.

There were also several infiltration alerts in West Bank settlements, along with instances of stone-throwing and firebomb attacks targeting cars with Israeli license plates on West Bank roads. These incidents, following the deadly Hamas attack, may indicate that Israel could be facing a multifaceted conflict across various fronts.

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Unbelievable: Hamas official dismisses claims civilians massacred as 'Israeli propaganda' In rare interview since onset of war, terror group's chief of international relations justifies carnage to Sky News by saying all Israelis are soldiers by default, says hostages will be treated humanely, 'just like Gilad Shalit'

Gilad Meiri | 13:53

A Hamas official denied claims that the Palestinian terrorist group has murdered hundreds of Israeli civilians in its deadly attack on southern Israel, dismissing such claims in an interview with Sky News on Monday as "Israeli propaganda."

Tech firms struggle as Israel-Gaza falsehoods explode

Hamas terrorists executed Israeli hostages in Kibbutz Be'eri, Washington Post probe indicates

Gallant: 'I've lifted all restrictions; we will annihilate them'

Sky's Mark Austin began the interview by asking Basem Naim, a former Palestinian minister and director of Hamas's international relations, how killing hundreds of civilians furthers the Palestinian cause, to which Naim said: "I'm really shocked that you, from a well-respected channel, will adopt Israeli propaganda. No one can confirm any of this news."

Bewildered by the denial, Mark Austin presses Naim, "Are you saying that civilians have not died? Do you realize how absurd that sounds?"

"We didn't kill any civilians," Naim responded, before going on what sounded like a pre-made speech, shifting all the blame to Israel. "We have news and videos showing what Israel is today doing inside Gaza, based on the so-called Hannibal Doctrine (A controversial procedure that the Israel Defense Forces have used to prevent the capture of Israeli soldiers by enemy forces) to kill thousands of Palestinians including the hostages." When Austin pressed him on all the evidence clearly pointing to the massacre of innocent civilians, Naim countered by saying, "We have not killed any civilian, and we also need to redefine what it means to say 'civilian'. We cannot consider a settler in the occupied West Bank, who is carrying guns and burning the city of Huwara as a civilian. We can't continue with anyone who is sitting around the borders, working on division to control and besiege 2.3 million in the biggest open prison as a civilian."

He went on to say that "in Gaza, you are never safe, you have to choose whether to die by an F-35 or by malnutrition", and "Israel killed over 100 civilians in the middle of a market in the middle of Jabalia refugee camp."

Likening the enclave to a pressure cooker, he said "We have no choice but to knock the doors of this open-air prison and raise our voices because of Israeli aggression."

When asked if Iran has anything to do with the onslaught, he denied it emphatically. "No. This is a pure Palestinian resistance response to a continuous aggression against Palestinian civilians."

Naim refused to disclose the number of hostages Hamas has captured but assured Austin they will be treated properly, whether it's men, women or children, and as an example, referred to Gilad Shalit, an IDF soldier who was captured by Hamas in 2006 and released in a swap deal with Israel in 2011, mentioning he was treated humanely.

At some point, Austin pressed yet again on the issue of 700 Israeli civilians who were killed, Naim made it a point to say that all of them, since they've served in the IDF, even as a typist, are soldiers.

When asked what is the main achievement their attack has brought about, he said, "We have been neglected because of the conflict between America and China, between Ukraine and Russia and our suffering for 75 years is coming out for discussion."

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Graphic video shows multiple bodies in street in Kibbutz Be'eri, just yards from where terrorists filmed walking with several civilians who appear to be those same hostages  
Ynet | 12:36

At least four Israelis taken hostage by Hamas during their unprecedented incursion into Israel on Saturday were killed soon after being taken captive, according to videos reviewed by The Washington Post.

Hamas prepared vehicles disguised as Israeli police cars in assault, military says  
A graphic video shared on Telegram on Oct. 8, and verified by The Post, shows multiple bodies in the street in Be'eri, a kibbutz in southern Israel, just yards from where Hamas terrorists were filmed walking with several civilians who appear to be those same hostages.

According to the newspaper, in the first video, the hostages are seen being escorted by armed individuals in military fatigues approximately an hour and a half after the onset of the attack. Their hands are tied behind their backs, some are blindfolded, and smoke is visible on the horizon. The person filming the video is heard shouting at them as they are marched toward a junction with a gate, exiting Be'eri in the direction of Gaza. The report is based on two consecutive videos that were filmed during the incident. In the first video, the four hostages can be seen being led by armed individuals wearing military uniforms approximately an hour and a half after the attack began.

Hostages appear with their hands tied behind their backs, some of them barefoot, and smoke is visible in the background. The person filming the video can be heard shouting at them as they are being led towards a junction with a gate, heading out of Be'eri toward Gaza.

In a second video, which was circulated on Telegram on October 8, at least four bodies are visible near the same gate. Verification experts Rollo Collins and Benjamin den Braber were able to confirm that this is the same location as in the earlier video. The

Washington Post reports that the physical characteristics of the four bodies match those of the civilians seen in the initial video, including their hair and clothing.

Up until now, no less than 108 bodies of men, women and children were discovered inside Be'eri following the Saturday massacre.

Documentation obtained by Ynet reveals the chilling sequence of events in which terrorists targeted civilians in a car at the entrance to Be'eri, opening fire, discarding their bodies on the road, and commandeering the vehicle for further acts of violence.

Over the past 24 hours, prominent media outlets worldwide have been diligently cross-referencing videos, images, and other data to provide readers and viewers with verified details of these horrifying massacres. This investigative approach mirrors the methods employed by the global press in documenting atrocities in other locations, such as the Ukrainian town of Bucha.

The British Broadcasting Corporation informed its audience about a video captured by a car's camera during the forest incident in Re'im, filmed on Saturday at 9:23 am. The footage reveals three terrorists in action, one of whom can be seen dragging an injured man in a t-shirt, while another approaches an individual who appears to have their face beneath the car and fatally shoots them. Subsequently, a group of Palestinians arrives at the scene to loot equipment and discovers two survivors - a man and a woman - who were hiding. The group then takes them away from the area.

The armed terrorists depicted in the uncovered documentation were thoroughly analyzed by BBC analysts using facial recognition software. The results revealed a 94-97% likelihood that one of the individuals in the images matches the photograph of a uniformed police officer displayed on the website of the Nuseirat refugee camp in the Gaza Strip.

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IDF responds to rockets from Lebanon with artillery fire; Two senior Hamas officials killed in Israeli air raids on Gaza; two foreign workers killed by rocket fire near Eshkol region; Army says about 1,500 terrorist bodies found in Israeli territory; Israel counts more than 900 dead since start of war

Yoav Zitun|Updated:09:54

Rocket sirens sounded in several Western Galilee communities near the Lebanon border Tuesday evening. The military said it responded with artillery fire. Hezbollah-affiliated Lebanese TV channel Al-Mayadin reported that three rocket volleys were fired into northern Israel.

The Municipality of Ma'alot-Tarshiha in the Upper Galilee has instructed its residents to stay near protected spaces following "impacts in the Goren, Shlomi, Liman and Hanita areas."

The **attack** came **a day after** a series of Israeli **strikes on Hezbollah outposts** along the border killed at least three members of the Iranian-backed terrorist group. The Israeli offensive came in response to a border incursion by armed terrorists in which 300th Brigade Deputy Commander Lt. Col. Alim Abdullah Sa'ad was killed. Palestinian Islamic Jihad claimed responsibility for the assault.

Meanwhile, **Two foreign workers were killed in the Eshkol region near the Gaza border** Tuesday afternoon **by a rocket** fired from the Palestinian enclave. First responders provided first aid to another foreign worker in his 30s who was seriously injured and airlifted him to a hospital.

The police said that several impact sites have been detected throughout the southern city of Ashkelon, as well as **unexploded ordnance** and shrapnel, some of which are intact and fell without interception, and there is concern that they might still detonate or explode. Civilians were instructed to stay away from suspicious items and report them.

Firefighting and rescue teams are operating in the city. Some of the hits were in open areas, and a vehicle was damaged in the city.

**Gaza** terrorists also **fired** several heavy **rocket salvos at central Israeli cities**, with rockets reaching as far as Wadi Ara, the northernmost point targeted since the beginning of hostilities on **Saturday**. Hamas claimed to have targeted Ben Gurion Airport, however, Israeli authorities have denied the claims and said that operations were running as usual.

One rocket crashed in the central city of Rishon LeZion. There were no reports of injuries. Earlier on **Tuesday**, the scope of the **atrocities** carried out **by Hamas** terrorists on **Saturday** continued to **come to light in security footage** from border communities and **by media** invited by the IDF to observe the scene on the ground **after residents** were **evacuated and terrorists removed**.

The Washington Post showed footage of **hostages** who were **taken by Hamas** and who were seen in subsequent clips, **killed** after a Hamas official told Sky News that the terrorists did not kill civilians.

Josh Wander, the international spokesman with the Israeli search and rescue service ZAKA, told the Post that "**large teams cleared bodies all day from Kibbutz Be'eri**," and that his group had found **at least 108 bodies thus far**. "We've recovered bodies [of] dozens of men, women and children," Wander said. "It's clear to us that when [**Hamas**] went in [to the area], they just **basically mowed down and murdered anyone** that they found however they found them — **in their cars and their houses**."

While rocket fire to the south continued through the morning hours and into the early afternoon, journalists were allowed to enter the **communities overrun by the Hamas** terrorists to see the **carnage** left there.

Germany announced an investigation into Hamas for suspected murder, manslaughter and hostage-taking, a spokesperson for the federal public prosecutor said. The Foreign Ministry in Berlin confirmed that its citizens were among the hostages held in Gaza. President Issac Herzog visited residents of the south in a hotel outside Jerusalem, where they were taken after their communities were evacuated. He was confronted by angry calls from residents who demanded the establishment of a unity government. Talks to form such a government continued on Tuesday supported by all members of the Likud and other coalition partners. Itamar Ben-Gvir, leader of Otzma Yehudit, added his voice to the move after opposing any formation of a limited security panel of ministers, without him, to decide matters of security. Civilians took it upon themselves to respond to the needs of residents of the Gaza border for emotional support as well as items of clothing, toys and other essential supplies, which the government had not stepped in to address.

Earlier, the government approved the call-up of a further 360,000 reservists on Tuesday, doubling the number currently deployed. The Air Force will be dispatching planes to locations in Europe to provide transport for Israelis serving in the military reserves who are attempting to return and join the fighting. The military spokesperson said 123 members of the IDF have been confirmed dead since Saturday's murderous Hamas assault and that the families of 50 confirmed captives in Gaza have been informed thus far.

He said Israel had full control of the Gaza border area although encounters with infiltrating terrorists may still occur. "This is a war zone," he said. "We are building a wall made of tanks, planes and choppers to prevent incursions and our policy of engagement there is to shoot and kill anyone approaching the border," RAdm. Daniel Hagari said adding that all civilians in the communities on the border have been evacuated.

In an earlier briefing, Hagari said that the military is receiving assistance from the U.S. CENTCOM including coordination of intelligence and operations. "The Americans stations assets with naval vessels that can help protect Israel," he said. IDF Chief of Staff Herzl Halevi spoke with his U.S. counterpart for the first time overnight and was assured of total support.

Forces killed a terrorist in the Gaza border area overnight while more than 100 airstrikes were carried out in Gaza overnight as bombing sorties continued.

U.S. Secretary of State Antony Blinken discussed U.S. support for Israel in a call with Israeli Foreign Minister Eli Cohen, the State Department said in a statement early Tuesday. Blinken "reaffirmed our efforts to secure the immediate release of all hostages," the statement said. Blinken also spoke with French Foreign Minister Catherine Colonna, reiterating their condemnation of Hamas' attacks on Israel, the department said in a separate statement.

Israel named 300th Brigade Deputy Commander Lt. Col. Alim Abdullah Sa'ad as the IDF officer who died in a clash with Palestinian Islamic Jihad (PIJ) terrorists at the Lebanon border Monday afternoon. Sa'ad, 40, was a resident of the Druze town of Yanuh-Jat and was scheduled to conclude his military service this coming Sunday. Six of his nephews

received emergency military call-up orders, but returned home following his fall in battle. Sa'ad's funeral will be held on Tuesday.

His family has been notified of his death and a mourning tent was established in his community Monday night. The IDF said, "We share in the family's grief and will continue to support them."

Sa'ad and his soldiers responded to an alert about a border breach. They encountered four suspects, engaged in a confrontation and neutralized two, while the third suspect fled back to Lebanon.

Six Israeli soldiers were injured in the ensuing shootout to varying degrees, including Sa'ad, who was critically wounded and subsequently succumbed to his injuries. Lebanese terrorist group Hezbollah denied involvement in the attack, while Palestinian Islamic Jihad claimed responsibility for it.

In response to the border clash, Israel launched a series of retaliatory strikes on Hezbollah military posts in Southern Lebanon, including airstrikes and artillery shelling, killing three of the organization's operatives there.

Israel has reportedly mobilized some 300,000 troops in recent days following Hamas's devastating incursion into southern Israel, amassing significant forces on the Lebanese border as well for fear that Iranian-backed Hezbollah might exploit the disarray to open an additional front in the north.

Meanwhile, rocket sirens sounded again in Gaza border towns overnight Tuesday after several hours of relative calm.

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Hamas used military vehicles & cars disguised as Israeli police in assault

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Hamas prepared vehicles disguised as Israeli police cars in assault, military says Terrorists were able to take Israeli military vehicles including armed jeeps back to the strip and would pose further danger in coming days; using their pick-ups, they set up roadblocks to stop security forces from reaching attacked communities

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The IDF said on Tuesday, that their preliminary reviews showed Hamas had some 20 vehicles disguised to appear as Israeli, that were used to transport terrorists into Israel at the start of their murderous attack.

Among vehicles used by the terrorists, were some that were marked as belonging to senior Hamas commanders, large Savannah vehicles for transporting numbers of terrorists, at least eight off-road motorcycles that were among the first to breach the border and take control of IDF bases, and between five to six pick-up trucks for further incursions.



The terrorists used vehicles disguised as Israeli police cars, with which they planned for incursions further or attempted to reach deeper into the country. These vehicles were fitted with blue police lights.

In one case, a vehicle belonging to Hamas terrorists was captured by IDF forces with a French tourist who had been abducted from a rave in southern Israel, hidden in its cargo compartment. It's still unclear how many more vehicles Hamas managed to take back into the Gaza Strip, but its success was so great that it managed to capture at least three armored IDF jeeps equipped with advanced communication equipment.

Most of the weapons and military equipment with which Hamas forces infiltrated weren't utilized, as the terrorists were killed beforehand. For example, at the music festival near Kibbutz Re'im, security forces found dozens of claymore mines, hundreds of filled ammunition clips, and dozens of Soviet-made hand grenades. This led forces to believe Hamas had planned to kill many more Israelis.

This, however, wasn't the final goal of Hamas' operation. During the incursion's early hours, Hamas forces set up roadblocks with their pick-up trucks at key junctions in areas surrounding southern Israeli communities, which hindered the forces moving into settlements where the major massacres occurred.

IDF and police forces had to engage in prolonged battles with the terrorists who blocked intersections. At each such roadblock, the terrorists were at an advantage and had several anti-tank units to target armored vehicles trying to reinforce Israeli security forces.

Hamas' elite force consisted of 60 terrorists, and after they reported their success in seizing IDF positions and Israeli settlements, a significant number of around 600 additional terrorists spread out to other locations in the south. The exact figures are still unknown to the IDF since hundreds of terrorists may still have to be dealt with but the military estimates that the numbers may rise, considering the number of vehicles they used.

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RAAdm. Daniel Hagari says Americans placing assets in the effort to assist Israel including with naval vessels and in deterring Iran and others from action; IDF updates casualty number to 122

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The IDF spokesperson RAAdm. Daniel Hagari said in a briefing on Tuesday morning that the military is receiving assistance from the U.S. Central Command (CENTCOM) and is in full coordination with them both in intelligence and in operational capacities.

He said the Americans have assets in the region including naval vessels and are ready to provide any assistance including deterring Iran.

Chief of Staff Herzi Halevi spoke for the first time since the fighting began, with his American counterpart who assured him that all needed support would be extended. Hagari said over 200 strikes were conducted on Gaza overnight and in the morning hours including on Gaza City's Rimal neighborhood where much of the Hamas elite resides and in Khan Yunis, targeting terrorist assets. "We are also attacking from terror operational positions from the sea to prevent their operations there."

The military released the names of 38 more members of the IDF who perished since Saturday after their families were informed. They said a total of 122 soldiers and officers killed have been confirmed thus far.

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Thirty-five student bodies at the prestigious Harvard University declared that 'The apartheid regime is the only one to blame'

Daniel Edelson, New York | Yesterday | 22:07

Thirty-five student bodies at the prestigious Harvard University in the United States signed a joint statement Monday, accusing Israel of the Hamas terror attack.

"The apartheid regime is the only one to blame," wrote the organizations, which include a Progressive Jewish Union and a chapter of the human rights organization Amnesty at the educational institution. "We hold the Israeli regime entirely responsible for all unfolding violence."

The signatories, mostly Muslim, North African and East Asian student groups, wrote in the statement that "Israeli violence has structured every aspect of Palestinian existence for 75 years... Palestinians have been forced to live in a state of death, both slow and sudden."

They added, "Today's events did not occur in a vacuum. For the last two decades, millions of Palestinians in Gaza have been forced to live in an open-air prison."

In the statement, the group also addressed the Israeli strikes in the Gaza Strip, writing that, "the massacres in Gaza have already commenced. Palestinians in Gaza have no shelters for refuge and nowhere to escape. In the coming days, Palestinians will be forced to bear the full brunt of Israel's violence... We call on the Harvard community to take action to stop the ongoing annihilation of Palestinians... The coming days will require a firm stand against colonial retaliation.

The statement from the student organizations joins comments made by Prof. Lawrence Tribe from Harvard's Law School, who, just a few hours after the onset of Hamas's surprise attack on Israel, posted on the social network X (formerly Twitter) suggesting that the attack was an attempt by Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu to distract from his corruption scandals. Tribe later retracted and was forced to apologize after facing criticism from his academic peers who were disappointed with his "unfounded" claims.

Despite the extreme severity of the Harvard student statement, calls supporting Hamas have also been heard in recent days at other leading academic institutions across the United States.

At Yale University in Connecticut, the Pro-Palestinian Student Association held a solidarity rally Monday outside New Haven City Hall, expressing "support for the Palestinian resistance against the violent colonial oppression by settlers."

The Yale Student Association stated, "We mourn the tragic loss of civilian lives and hold the Zionist regime responsible." A student solidarity rally also took place Monday at the prestigious University of Pennsylvania.

Additionally, students at the City University of New York (CUNY) played a central role in organizing a support rally Monday night in Times Square, which drew hundreds of people.

At the University of Michigan, flyers distributed across campus accuse Israel of initiating war against the Palestinians after years of oppression and "ethnic cleansing." It's worth noting that student organizations in U.S. universities enjoy academic freedom without interference from the institutions' administrations, some of which have voiced opposing views.

For instance, New York University (NYU) President Prof. Linda Mills distributed a wide-reaching email to all students, stating the "multi-faceted and lethal terrorist attack on Israel, which included widespread violence, injuries, and loss of life, as well as the taking of Israeli hostages by Hamas."

Mills warned that "The violence that is raging now will likely intensify the feelings of those on our campus who hold strong views on the conflict. Even as we confront the horrifying events that are occurring now, we must maintain hope for a different future. As a university community, we remain committed to dialogue and peaceful discourse.

In recent days, New York University's welfare personnel have also been reaching out to Israeli and Jewish students, offering mental health support. The Jewish student organization Hillel on campus has commended the initiative, though some have labeled it lip service. According to critics, the university is "paying lip service to dialogue during a brutal, one-sided attack designed to kill as many innocent Jews as possible."

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Drone strike disrupts border monitoring system, followed by a tunnel blast breaking  
security barrier, enabling a Hamas commando unit to infiltrate Israel with artillery cover,  
alongside concurrent incursions from both air and sea  
Einav Halabi | Yesterday | 16:13

Hamas terrorists neutralized the Israel Defense Force's surveillance capabilities and the border fence was targeted with explosives, allowing them to enter Israeli territory unimpeded. Recent videos released by Hamas depict hundreds of their members infiltrating Israel, going on a murderous rampage that left hundreds dead, including both soldiers and civilians.

Rocket barrage on Jerusalem, large-scale attack from Lebanon on northern communities  
Israel denies reports hostage swap negotiations underway  
Based on footage captured during the attack, during the initial phase of the unexpected attack, a drone operated by Hamas specifically targeted the "Roeh-Yoreh" ("See-Shoot") surveillance system. This system is remotely controlled by observers and is designed to counter infiltrators approaching the fence. According to Hamas, a total of 35 drones were involved in the initial strike, including a suicide drone.

Simultaneously, Hamas initiated intense rocket bombardments targeting the southern and central areas of the country, including Tel Aviv. As part of the initial infiltration wave at 6:30 a.m., Hamas commando units specifically targeted and aimed to destroy the Erez crossing on the northern side of the enclave. Video evidence reveals the sequence of events, demonstrating how they breached the border fence following an explosion, then continued to penetrate deeper and overcome an additional barrier until they successfully reached their intended position.

Subsequently, they opened the border crossing and proceeded toward Sderot. The involvement of aerial drones and other vehicles during the initial attack primarily served as diversions to distract from the main operation. In the first wave of infiltration, Hamas operatives specifically targeted eight IDF positions within the Gaza Brigade, systematically destroying various military assets, including communication and surveillance equipment, which were deliberately set ablaze. Notably, the brigade's headquarters in the Re'im camp bore the brunt of these attacks.

The disruption of communication had a profound impact on the IDF's command and control capabilities over the forces in the area. This hindrance not only severely impeded their ability to respond effectively but also appeared to influence subsequent infiltration attempts by additional terrorists who, accompanied by Gaza residents, took advantage of the compromised situation to easily cross into Israel.

After a prolonged period of calm in the Gaza Strip, protests resumed at the border at the beginning of the previous month. There were numerous speculations about the underlying cause, but security analyst Ron Ben-Yishai recently shed light on the matter. He explained that these riots were orchestrated as a diversionary tactic to conceal the strategic placement of explosives. The intention behind this covert operation was to

create breaches in the fences and barriers, allowing terrorists to infiltrate on Saturday. Importantly, it should be noted that this oversight was not the only overlooked sign. Leaders of the terrorist organizations Hamas, Islamic Jihad and PFLP convened in Beirut two weeks ago, just two days after the resumption of incendiary balloon attacks. During their meeting, they released a collective statement declaring that they "emphasize the importance of suspending comprehensive resistance operations, especially armed resistance, as well as strengthening all forms of coordination between the organizations on all issues."

Last Monday, Al-Quds Brigades, the armed faction of Islamic Jihad, initiated live-fire drills in the Gaza Strip, involving the launching of missiles into the sea. In a statement issued by the Al-Quds Brigades, they announced the start of an "advanced offensive exercise, featuring the involvement of highly trained units, encompassing missiles, artillery, snipers and intelligence operations, simulating targeted attacks on military installations associated with the Zionist forces."

Powerful explosions then rocked northern Gaza, and residents of communities surrounding the enclave were told these were mere practice drills. A week later, the explosions were no longer a practice run, but a prelude to a catastrophe Israel hasn't witnessed in a very, very long time.

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As Hamas launches attacks on Israel, Abbas keeps a low profile, leading to speculation about his political motives; The military operation carried out by Abbas' rival puts him in an awkward position

Mohammad Al-Kassim, The Media Line|| 15:40

Palestinian Authority (PA) President Mahmoud Abbas has been conspicuously absent from the public eye since Hamas launched its surprise attack on Israel Saturday morning.

Abbas said on Saturday that the failure to implement legitimate international resolutions to halt Israel's "continued injustices" against the Palestinian people has led to an explosion.

In a call with French President Emmanuel Macron, Abbas stressed "the necessity of providing international protection to our defenseless people who are being subjected to bloody Israeli aggression," noting that the current escalation of violence in the region is a result of the political impasse on the horizon.

Following Hamas's infiltration into Israel, several spontaneous Palestinian marches in various cities and towns throughout the West Bank took place on Saturday afternoon and ended in violent confrontations with the Israeli army. Simultaneously, dozens of

Palestinians in Nablus and other places, such as the Dheisheh camp in Bethlehem, were suppressed by the PA security forces.

US-based Middle East expert Hasan Awwad told The Media Line that the military operation carried out by Abbas' rival, Hamas, puts him in an awkward position.

"These kind of attacks by Hamas and Islamic Jihad weaken Abbas and the PA and belittle them in front of the people, and this is exactly why he is keeping quiet," said Awwad.

"His silence is a position. Not intervening is a position in itself to protect his political project. He wants to appease the international community and regional players," added Awwad.

Awwad asserted that if Abbas says the wrong thing, it will result in "backlash" against Fatah and those who support him.

He explained that Hamas's military operation "raises their stature among Palestinians and decreases Abbas' popularity."

Awwad added that Abbas "can't completely ignore what's happening in Gaza, so he won't look like he's happy to see Hamas defeated," but at the same time, Abbas "can't come out publicly in support of them."

A Palestinian official, who preferred to remain anonymous, did not comment on the Hamas military operation against Israel, but stressed that it is the PA president who is "focusing on the Palestinians' protection and ending the aggression against our people." The official blamed the US administration for the bloody escalation, saying that "Biden is the reason for what is happening."

In a statement on Saturday afternoon, President Joe Biden said US support for Israel was "rock solid and unwavering" and ordered US ships and warplanes to move closer to Israel. Washington also promised to provide munitions and equipment to Israel, US Defense Secretary Lloyd Austin said in a statement Sunday.

Hundreds of Palestinians participated in a march on Sunday through the streets of Ramallah in the central West Bank in support of the factions in the Gaza Strip. They chanted slogans of support for Hamas.

Earlier on Saturday, in a protest in the northern West Bank city of Nablus, PA security forces violently dispersed the crowd.

"We decided to come out and show our brethren in Gaza that we support them fully," Fehmi Shaheen, a university student, told The Media Line.

Shaheen said that the PA had failed to achieve anything for the people.

"We don't have freedom; we are under occupation while the leadership in Ramallah is going from one failure to another," said Shaheen.

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Hamas massacre desert rave dance; at least 260 bodies surrounding Kibbutz Re'im

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### Chilling: Images from southern Israel music festival before Hamas attack

Before the deadly Hamas raid that claimed the lives of at least 260 people, unsuspecting revelers were having the times of their lives, unaware of the impending disaster

Roni Green Shaulov, Nir (Shoko) Cohen | 10:40

A day and a half following the deadly Hamas terrorist attack on a desert rave near Kibbutz Re'im, the scope of the massacre is gradually coming to light. On Sunday, Moti Bokchin, the spokesman for the ZAKA emergency service, said that some 260 bodies have been recovered so far from the party site near the Gaza border.

"We started our deployment to the area on Saturday at noon, I think we recovered all the victims there, but we still haven't finished scanning the entire surrounding area," he said.

Bokchin painfully described what he saw at the site that turned into a killing ground. "We drove along the road, and it was a sight that I've never seen before, in all the years I served in ZAKA. I thought I had reached the peak of all horrors," he said.

"We were driving in a car, and every 30-40 meters we stopped and saw vehicles with bodies inside, young people. There were also vehicles that the terrorists set on fire after murdering the passengers."

The ZAKA spokesman noted that the organization's team, along with about 450 volunteers, have so far located hundreds of bodies. This figure does not include those murdered in the surrounding kibbutzim. "We cannot reach them yet," explained Bokchin, since the army has not yet cleared the rescuers to enter the area. Bokchin also noted that his organization has a severe shortage of helmets and protective vests - and he is requesting donations from the public.

Israel Defense Forces Captain Doron Spielman showed Ynet on Monday a road near Kibbutz Re'im "where the jihadis were driving with a turret, spraying wild gunfire, spraying all these cars here."

"Innocent civilians were simply massacred in an instant, someone clearly shot at the vehicle, stopped the jihadi vehicle of Hamas terrorists, who probably got out and began shooting by hand. We see here everything from baby carriages to gloves of children to picnic baskets," he said.

"This is the place where if anybody has a question about what Hamas has in store for Israel - This is where you can see it," Spielman warned.

Spielman speculated that there are still terrorists in the area. "We have a pretty good hold but we are on high alert right now," he said.

The hundreds who spent time at the desert rave found themselves fleeing for their lives on Saturday morning following the surprise attack that started the Iron Swords war. Just a short while beforehand, those who attended the desert rave danced, rejoiced and laughed - not knowing how that party would end and what would happen to many of them. Photographer Ido Derbi took pictures at the party and managed to capture the moments of joy, which became the last moments of happiness for many murdered people.

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Israel confirms at least 700 dead in Hamas attack; 100 rockets toward Ashkelon

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Revolutionary Guard worked with Hamas to plan invasion from air, sea & land.

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Over 3,000 rockets in hours, 300 murdered, dozens abducted to Gaza; WAR declared

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Heavy rocket attack on Tel Aviv after tower in Gaza bombed

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Barrage of 2,200 rockets from Hamas on Tel Aviv, 35 abducted into Gaza

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Dozens killed, abducted as Israel comes under surprise Hamas attack

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Right-wing Rabbi's gather hundreds in NY to support Netanyahu amid US visit to UN

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IDF strikes Hamas posts in Gaza in retaliation for incendiary balloons, border riots

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Israeli forces nab 8 students planning terror & dug up camp roads concealing bombs