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Overview

Trump-Imposed Ceasefire: U.S. President Donald Trump announced on June 23 that the Islamic Republic and Israel agreed to a ceasefire, to begin at midnight (00:00 ET, June 24). Despite claims of violations from both parties, as of 17:00 ET, the ceasefire does appear to be holding.

Assessment Suggests Nuclear Sites Not Destroyed: A Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) assessment, described to CNN by four people briefed on it, concludes that core components of the Islamic Republic's nuclear program were not destroyed in American strikes carried out on June 22. White House press secretary Karoline Leavitt responded to the report: "This alleged assessment is flat-out wrong."

Tehran Considers Suspending IAEA Cooperation: The regime's parliament (Majles) national security committee has approved the outline of a bill that would suspend all cooperation with the IAEA. Committee spokesperson Ebrahim Rezaei stated that the bill would halt the installation of surveillance cameras, inspections, and reporting until the security of nuclear facilities is ensured. The bill still requires approval by the full parliament and the Guardian Council (the constitutional watchdog).

Final Strikes and Ceasefire Implementation

The ceasefire between the Islamic Republic and Israel currently appears to be holding despite claims of violations from both Israel and the regime in Iran.

About an hour prior to the 00:00 ET ceasefire implementation, around 05:40 local time, sirens sounded in central and southern Israel. The Islamic Republic launched several ballistic missiles from cities including Astaneh Ashrafiyeh, Khomein, Zanjan, Shiraz, and Kermanshah.

The IDF struck a radar in Babolsar, north of Tehran, in response to the regime's missile attack.

In Israel's final airstrikes on the Islamic Republic, Mohammad Taghi Yousefvand, the commander of Basij's Intelligence Protection Unit, and Alireza Lotfi, deputy head of the Law Enforcement Command (FARAJA), were killed. Also, an airstrike in Astaneh Ashrafiyeh killed Mohammadreza Sedighi Sabet, a nuclear specialist of the Islamic Republic.

Several reports of active air defense over various Iranian cities have been commonplace in recent hours, although no further incidents have been confirmed.

Islamic Republic Shifts Aggression to Iranian People

The Islamic Republic has arrested a total of 281 Iranian citizens over the past 11 days for social media posts about Israel's attack on Iran.

Including 61 individuals arrested today, security and law enforcement forces have detained 424 citizens over the past 11 days for general security-related charges.

The Islamic Republic's judiciary has sent text message warnings to citizens whose phone numbers were linked to interactions with social media pages seen as pro-Israel. The messages warned that following, liking, or commenting in support of such pages is a criminal offense. Recipients were instructed to remove all supportive activity or face legal prosecution.

UN Special Rapporteur Mai Sato voiced concern over reports that Iranian-Swedish academic Ahmadreza Djalali may soon be executed. She said Djalali, like others he was imprisoned with, was recently moved from Evin Prison to an undisclosed location following the launch of Israel's strikes on the Islamic Republic. Arrested in 2016, Djalali was sentenced to death for alleged "espionage."

Quotes of the Day

Israeli Minister of Diaspora Affairs **Amichai Chikli** said: "If you think the ceasefire marks the end of the battle, you are gravely mistaken. Even if the military conflict has ended, our political battle with the Iranian regime is just beginning."

Exiled Crown Prince of Iran **Reza Pahlavi** published a statement on social media, which read: "To the military, as you are given orders to lash out at the people, stand down. This is your final chance. You are being watched. We will remember who stood with the people and who committed crimes against them."

White House press secretary **Karoline Leavitt**, responding to CNN's report on a supposed DIA assessment that U.S. strikes failed to destroy the Islamic Republic's nuclear program: "This alleged assessment is flat-out wrong and was classified as 'top secret' but was still leaked to CNN by an anonymous, low-level loser in the intelligence community. The leaking of this alleged assessment is a clear attempt to demean President Trump, and discredit the brave fighter pilots who conducted a perfectly executed mission to obliterate Iran's nuclear program. Everyone knows what happens when you drop fourteen 30,000 pound bombs perfectly on their targets: total obliteration."

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