



# Israel– Hamas Humanitarian Pause Summary

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(U) This infographic provides a current summary of the Israel-Hamas four-day humanitarian pause. The humanitarian pause went into effect on November 24.

## SUMMARY

- International efforts are continuing to extend the current four-day truce between Israel and Hamas which is due to expire at midnight local time.
- Israel is offering a day's pause in fighting for every 10 additional hostages released from Gaza, while Hamas says it is seeking an extension.
- Calls to extend the truce come as Israel and Hamas are reportedly at odds over the names of which hostages and prisoners they are going to release.
- As part of the Israel-Hamas deal, 39 Israeli hostages in Gaza have been released so far with 117 Palestinians freed from Israeli jails.
- Further lorry-loads of humanitarian supplies entered the Gaza Strip on Monday with food, fuel and medicines being distributed by aid organizations.
- Hamas's attacks on 7 October killed 1,200 people, with about 240 taken hostage.
- Since then, Gaza's Hamas-run health ministry says more than 14,500 people have been killed in Israel's retaliatory campaign.

Source: <https://www.bbc.com/news>  
<https://www.dw.com/en/israel-at-war/t-57547294>

[BBC Live Reporting](#)

[Israel-Hamas truce: Family reunions raise expectations](#)

[Israel releases second group of Palestinian prisoners](#)

[First Palestinians released from Israeli prisons under deal](#)

[Israeli government approves hostage-release deal with Hamas](#)



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[Israel: Families welcome second group of hostages](#)

[Israel: Thousands rally to call for release of all hostages](#)

[Israel: First hostages, Palestinian prisoners freed](#)

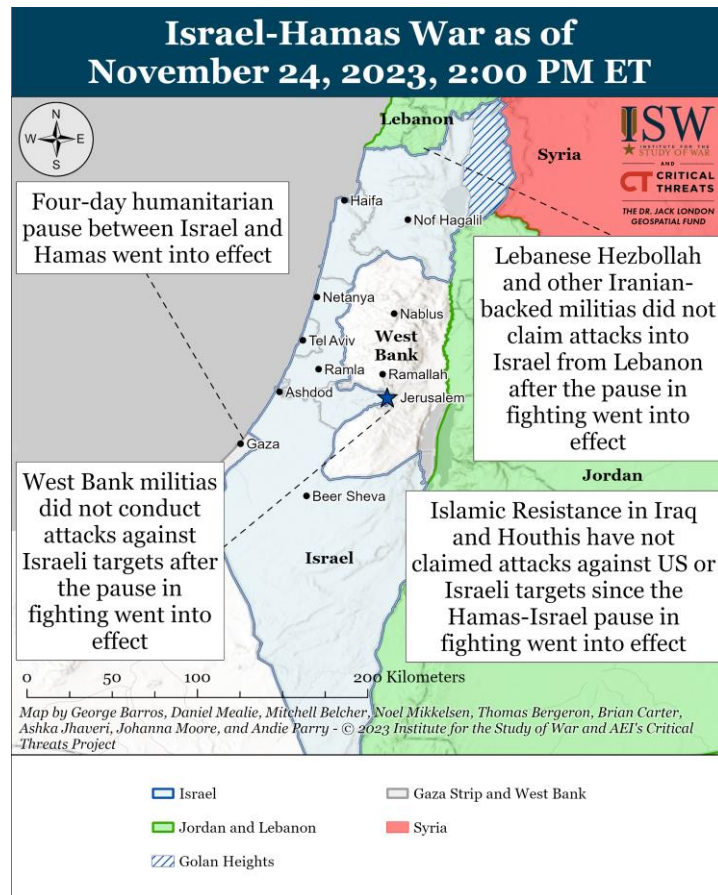




# Israel– Hamas Four-day Humanitarian pause Timeline

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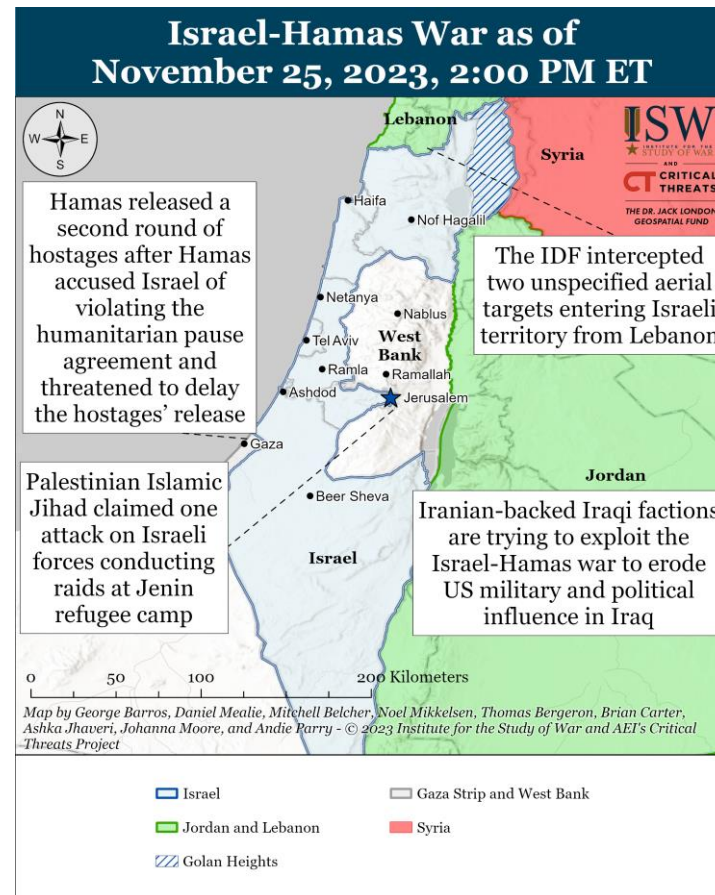
(U) This infographic provides information on the Israel-Hamas Four-day Humanitarian Pause. On 22 Nov, Israel and Hamas have agreed to a four-day humanitarian pause in fighting starting on 24 Nov. Hamas is the only militant group explicitly mentioned in the humanitarian pause agreement.



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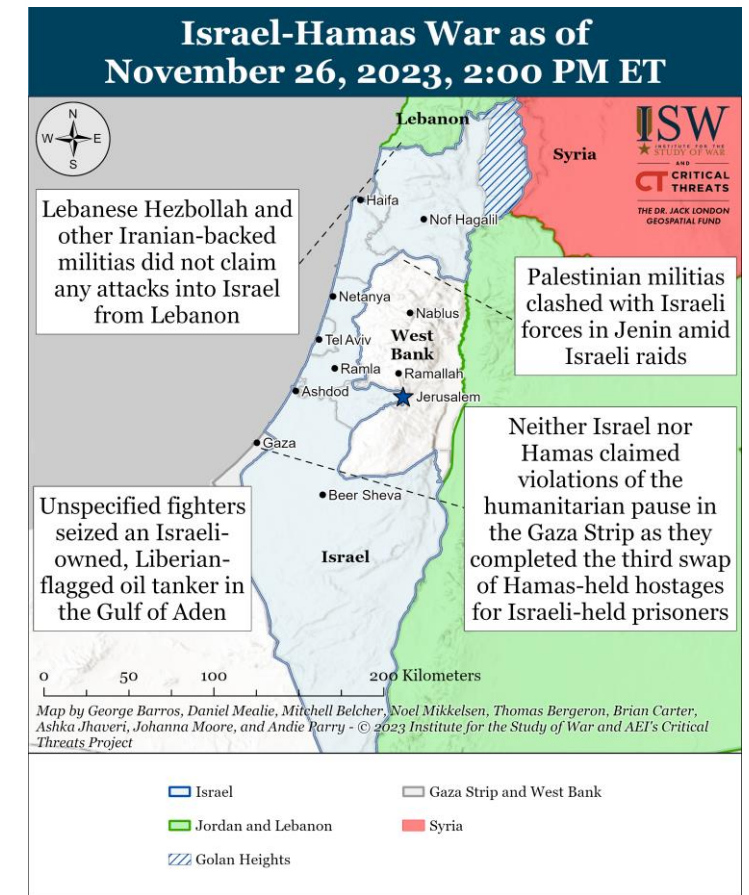
Israel and Hamas agreed to a prisoner/hostage swap but characterized it with different levels of detail on November 22. The Qatari Ministry of Foreign Affairs confirmed on November 24 that 24 hostages were freed from the Gaza Strip, including 13 Israeli citizens, 10 Thai citizens, and one Filipino citizen. Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said on November 22 that the deal allows Red Cross representatives to visit hostages in the Gaza Strip and deliver medicine. Qatar confirmed that Israel freed 39 Palestinians from prison in return during the first stage of the swap.

Source: <https://www.understandingwar.org/backgrounder/iran-update-november-24-2023>  
<https://www.understandingwar.org/backgrounder/iran-update-november-25-2023>  
<https://www.understandingwar.org/backgrounder/iran-update-november-26-2023>



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Hamas released a second round of hostages on November 25 after Hamas accused Israel of violating the humanitarian pause agreement and threatened to delay the hostages' release. Hamas and the IDF confirmed that 13 Israeli hostages and four foreign nationals left the Gaza Strip at around 1600 EST on November 25. Their releases come after Hamas media adviser accused Israel of violating the pause agreement by failing to supply sufficient aid to the northern Gaza Strip, operating surveillance drones in the closed airspace above the Gaza Strip, shooting and killing Palestinians in the Gaza Strip, and releasing Palestinian prisoners in the wrong order from Israeli prisons. Hamas did not threaten to withdraw from the pause agreement, however, the al Qassem Brigades—the militant wing of Hamas—announced earlier in the day that it would delay the release of the second batch of hostages until Israel adhered to the terms of the deal.



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Israel and Hamas confirmed that Hamas released 17 hostages held in the Gaza Strip in exchange for Israel releasing 39 Palestinian prisoners. The hostages included the first American whom Hamas has released since the war began. Hamas also released a Russian citizen whom they claimed that they released because of Russian President Vladimir Putin's support for the Palestinian cause. Russia hosted Hamas leadership in Moscow on October 26. Hamas separately said on November 26 that it seeks to extend the pause after the four-day period ends on November 27. Israeli Army Radio reported that there are efforts to extend the pause by an additional four days in return for Hamas releasing 40 hostages. This report is consistent with previous reports saying that Israel and Hamas agreed to extend the pause for 24 hours for every 10 hostages released by Hamas.