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Trump says U.S. will give \$10 billion to Board of Peace promising to rebuild Gaza

President Trump convened the inaugural meeting of his newly formed Board of Peace. The focus was Gaza, where a fragile ceasefire between Israel and Hamas is still holding, though tensions remain high. Trump announced billions of dollars in reconstruction pledges from the U.S. and other nations, outlining an ambitious plan to rebuild Gaza. Geoff Bennett reports.

<https://boardofpeace.org>

Declaring that durable peace requires pragmatic judgment, common-sense solutions, and the courage to depart from approaches and institutions that have too often failed;

Recognizing that lasting peace takes root when people are empowered to take ownership and responsibility over their future;

Affirming that only sustained, results-oriented partnership, grounded in shared burdens and commitments, can secure peace in places where it has for too long proven elusive;

Lamenting that too many approaches to peace-building foster perpetual dependency, and institutionalize crisis rather than leading people beyond it;

Emphasizing the need for a more nimble and effective international peace-building body; and

Resolving to assemble a coalition of willing States committed to practical cooperation and effective action,

Judgment guided and justice honored, the Parties hereby adopt the Charter for the Board of Peace.

Gaza will be governed under the temporary transitional governance of a technocratic, apolitical Palestinian committee, responsible for delivering the day-to-day running of public services and municipalities for the people in Gaza. This committee will be made up of qualified Palestinians and international experts, with oversight and supervision by a new international transitional body, the "Board of Peace," which will be headed and chaired by President Donald J. Trump, with other members and heads of State to be announced, including Former Prime Minister Tony Blair. This body will set the framework and handle the funding for the redevelopment of Gaza until such time as the Palestinian Authority has completed its reform program, as outlined in various proposals, including President Trump's peace plan in 2020 and the Saudi-French proposal, and can securely and effectively take back control of Gaza. This body will call on best international standards to create modern and efficient governance that serves the people of Gaza and is conducive to attracting investment.

The United States will establish a dialogue between Israel and the Palestinians to agree on a political horizon for peaceful and prosperous co-existence.

<https://www.hudson.org/foreign-policy/middle-east-ready-abraham-accords-2-zineb-riboua>

The Middle East Is Ready for the Abraham Accords 2.0

Iran's regional isolation has created a rare strategic opening for Washington to build a durable security architecture linking Israel and the Gulf.

So said Defense Secretary Pete Hegseth at a Pentagon briefing on Tuesday. The country's "neighbors, and in some cases former allies in the Gulf," he added, "have abandoned them, and their proxies, Hezbollah, the Houthis, and Hamas, [are] either broken, ineffective, or on the sidelines."

The assessment deserves more attention than it has received. Hegseth described Iran's isolation as a military outcome, but it was in fact a structural inevitability—one confirmed when U.S. ambassador to the United Nations Mike Waltz announced on Wednesday that Washington stood with its Gulf Arab allies in a unanimous Security Council vote condemning Iran for its attacks on civilians across the region. By accelerating a regional realignment already underway, Operation Epic Fury has handed Washington a rare strategic opportunity: the establishment of an Abraham Accords 2.0, elevating normalized relations between Israel and the Gulf States from diplomatic symbolism into an integrated security architecture.

To understand why this moment is so consequential, one must first understand that Iran has spent years trying to combat the regional order established by the 2020 Abraham Accords. Those accords—normalization agreements signed between Israel, the United Arab Emirates (UAE), Bahrain, Sudan, and Morocco—set in motion a Washington-anchored system in which Arab states would work economically and strategically with Israel under American sponsorship.

Then, in 2023, active negotiations for Saudi-Israeli normalization began. Later that same year, Israeli prime minister Benjamin Netanyahu met with Turkish president Recep Tayyip Erdoğan after years of rupture between the two countries, confirming that the security architecture was closing in on Tehran from multiple directions.

October 7, 2023, was Iran's answer to this threat. Hamas was the instrument, and the assault was a strategic decision.

Operation Epic Fury has translated that shared threat perception into functional cooperation. Even as the campaign continues, the conditions for an Abraham Accords 2.0 are already taking shape. Whether we end up with a chastened Islamic Republic that seeks reintegration into the regional order, or a successor government that charts an entirely different course, the strategic reality will be the same: a Middle East in which the case for deeper Arab-Israeli security cooperation has been made more forcefully than any diplomat could have managed at a negotiating table.

America can lock in a strategic advantage by brokering normalization agreements with additional Arab states, granting formal security guarantees and defense cooperation agreements, and integrating Israeli capabilities into a Gulf-anchored deterrence framework. With Iran weaker than ever, the present moment demands a Middle East regional order that reflects American interests, sustains Israeli security, and raises the cost of Chinese and Iranian reentry far beyond what either can presently afford.

<https://www.washingtoninstitute.org/policy-analysis/defeating-irans-strategy-energy-security-and-abraham-shield>

Defeating Iran's Strategy: Energy Security and the "Abraham Shield"

Tehran is targeting the soft underbelly of the U.S.-Israeli campaign—the oil sector and vulnerable Middle Eastern states—but allied officials can counter this strategy by taking concerted steps to bolster their regional partners, stabilize oil markets, and suppress the regime's military capabilities.

The current war is quite forcefully illustrating the common threat that Iran poses to most countries in the region (and beyond), and their collective need to defend against it. At the same time, the crisis is putting allied relationships to the test. Tehran would be happy if regional governments concluded that hosting U.S. forces and seeking ties with Israel will bring them painful punishment rather than

protection. To prevent that outcome, Israel and the United States will have to seize the present opportunity by demonstrating their value to partners and strengthening the regional security architecture.

<https://abrahamshield.org/en/>

The Coalition for Regional Security promotes a new regional order in the Middle East - for the security, stability, and prosperity of the State of Israel.

The Abraham Shield Plan of the Coalition for Regional Security is a new Israeli political-security initiative that paves the way for the State of Israel to emerge from wars of attrition to a reality of security, stability, and prosperity – based on the current regional opportunity.

The attack on October 7, 2023, was part of a larger Iranian plan. It was intended, among other things, to sabotage Israel's normalization process with Saudi Arabia, halt Israel's recognition among moderate Arab states, and thereby curb the strengthening of a regional coalition of moderates – which poses a threat to Iran and terrorist actors in the region.

Since then, the State of Israel has faced seven different fronts of the Iranian 'ring of fire' that seeks to destroy it. This complex system of Iran's proxies was methodically built by Iran over many years, using massive resources, with the goal of encircling and strangling the State of Israel.

Now, the historic mission of the State of Israel is to translate its tremendous military achievements into a political turning point - one that will dismantle Iran's stranglehold, isolate regional terrorist threats, leverage the regional opportunity before it, and create a new regional order in the Middle East.

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<https://www.tovima.com/world/zelenskiy-backs-iran-ceasefire-urges-russia-truce/>

Ukraine and Russia Welcome Iran Ceasefire, Urge Peace Talks to Resume

The Kremlin says it welcomes the US-Iran ceasefire and hopes it will allow Washington to resume three-way peace talks on Ukraine, while Kyiv continues to push for a reciprocal truce with Moscow

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskiy on Wednesday welcomed the ceasefire between the United States and Iran, saying it reinforces calls for a broader diplomatic push and a halt to ongoing conflicts.

Zelenskiy said Ukraine is ready to “respond in kind” if Russia stops its strikes, adding that a ceasefire would create the necessary conditions for negotiations.

Moscow urges return to trilateral format

The Kremlin on Wednesday welcomed a two-week ceasefire between the United States and Iran, saying it hopes the pause in hostilities will allow renewed diplomatic efforts on the war in Ukraine.

Peskov said Russia hopes the United States will now have more time to resume three-way peace talks involving Russia, Ukraine, and the U.S.

He referred to earlier negotiations held in Istanbul, Abu Dhabi, and Geneva, saying that discussions had previously been paused following the outbreak of hostilities in Iran.

https://www.yahoo.com/news/articles/us-cuba-talks-very-preliminary-185808847.html?guccounter=1&guce_referrer=aHR0cHM6Ly93d3cuZ29vZ2xlLmNvbS8&guce_referrer_sig=AQAAAlsafvZFslme-umerJn_-gES9FL33qxFYOjsaKJOnjqrufujV29LtqzN8N0lnNGYOSsX9RKVQw7mCZ11-

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US-Cuba talks at 'very preliminary' stage: deputy FM

Talks between Cuba and the United States on de-escalating tensions are still at a "very preliminary" stage, Cuba's Deputy Foreign Minister Josefina Vidal told AFP on Tuesday.

Cuba has been bracing for a possible US attack following threats from US President Donald Trump about "taking" the communist-run island after ousting Venezuela's leader and attacking Iran.

The former Cold War rivals have, at the same time, held exploratory talks.

"We are in a very preliminary, very initial phase, and there are still no structured negotiations between the two governments," Vidal told AFP during a demonstration in Havana to denounce the impact of US sanctions on the impoverished island.

Trump effectively shut down oil exports to Cuba in January after US forces ousted Havana's main regional ally and crude supplier, Venezuela's Nicolas Maduro.

Trump also threatened tariffs on other countries that ship oil to Cuba, deepening an energy crisis on the island marked by recurring blackouts.

Last week, however, Washington allowed through a Russian oil tanker.

Vidal, 65, was a key figure in the restoration of relations between Washington and the communist-run island during Barack Obama's presidency in 2015.

In February, the Miami Herald listed her as one of Secretary of State Marco Rubio's interlocutors, along with Raul Guillermo Rodriguez Castro, grandson of former president Raul Castro.

Cuba has taken apparent steps in recent weeks to ease tensions, notably releasing groups of prisoners in two batches, in what it called a "humanitarian gesture."

<https://www.state.gov/releases/office-of-the-spokesperson/2026/02/actions-to-implement-president-trumps-vision-for-venezuelan-oil>

Actions to Implement President Trump's Vision for Venezuelan Oil

The Trump Administration is rapidly implementing President Trump's vision to reopen and develop Venezuela's oil industry for the shared benefit of the American and Venezuelan people. Thanks to President Trump's leadership, the United States has already issued several general licenses at record speed for oil and gas companies to make unprecedented investments in Venezuela's energy infrastructure.

<https://time.com/article/2026/04/07/trump-iran-war-threat-steps-back/>

Hegseth Says Trump is "A President of Peace" After He Threatens to Wipe Out Iran

Secretary of Defense Pete Hegseth said on Wednesday that President Trump is "a president of peace," a day after Trump threatened to wipe out Iran's civilization.

During the press briefing, Hegseth said the U.S. military "had a target set locked and loaded of infrastructure, bridges, and power plants" had Iran not agreed to a ceasefire deal by 8 p.m. on Tuesday. Hitting civilian infrastructure is a war crime according to the Geneva Conventions.

The two week ceasefire buys time for what Trump described in his post as a “definitive Agreement concerning Longterm PEACE,” though the contours of such a deal remain unclear. Trump said that Iran had presented a “workable” 10-point proposal and that “almost all” major points of contention had been resolved in principle, suggesting that negotiators were close to a breakthrough.

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/videos/president-trump-is-the-president-of-peace/>

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/videos/the-peace-president>

<https://www.war.gov/Multimedia/Experience/Peace-Through-Strength/>

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From defending America's borders and fighting drug trafficking to changes in culture and business operations to better build the nation's arsenal of freedom, President Donald J. Trump and Secretary of War Pete Hegseth are ushering in a new era characterized by peace through strength.