

# [UAE slams Israeli decision to permit new settlements in Occupied Territories](#)

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DUBAI: The UAE has strongly condemned Israel's decision to allow resettlement in northern West Bank areas, and to permit new settlement units in the Occupied Territories, the Emirates News Agency reported on Sunday.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation reaffirmed the UAE's rejection of all practices that violate international law and threaten to aggravate regional escalation and instability.



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## [Iraq's Kurdistan region to hold](#)

## [elections on Nov. 18 – spokesman](#)

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SULAIMANIYA: Elections will be held in the semi-autonomous Kurdistan region of northern Iraq on Nov. 18, the regional government spokesman said on Sunday.

Iraqi Kurdistan President Nechirvan Barzani issued a decree on Sunday and approved the date, KRG spokesman Dilshad Shahab told a news conference. The vote should elect both a parliament and a president for Kurdish regions which have gained self-rule in 1991.



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## [Israel: 2 soldiers wounded in West Bank drive-by shooting](#)

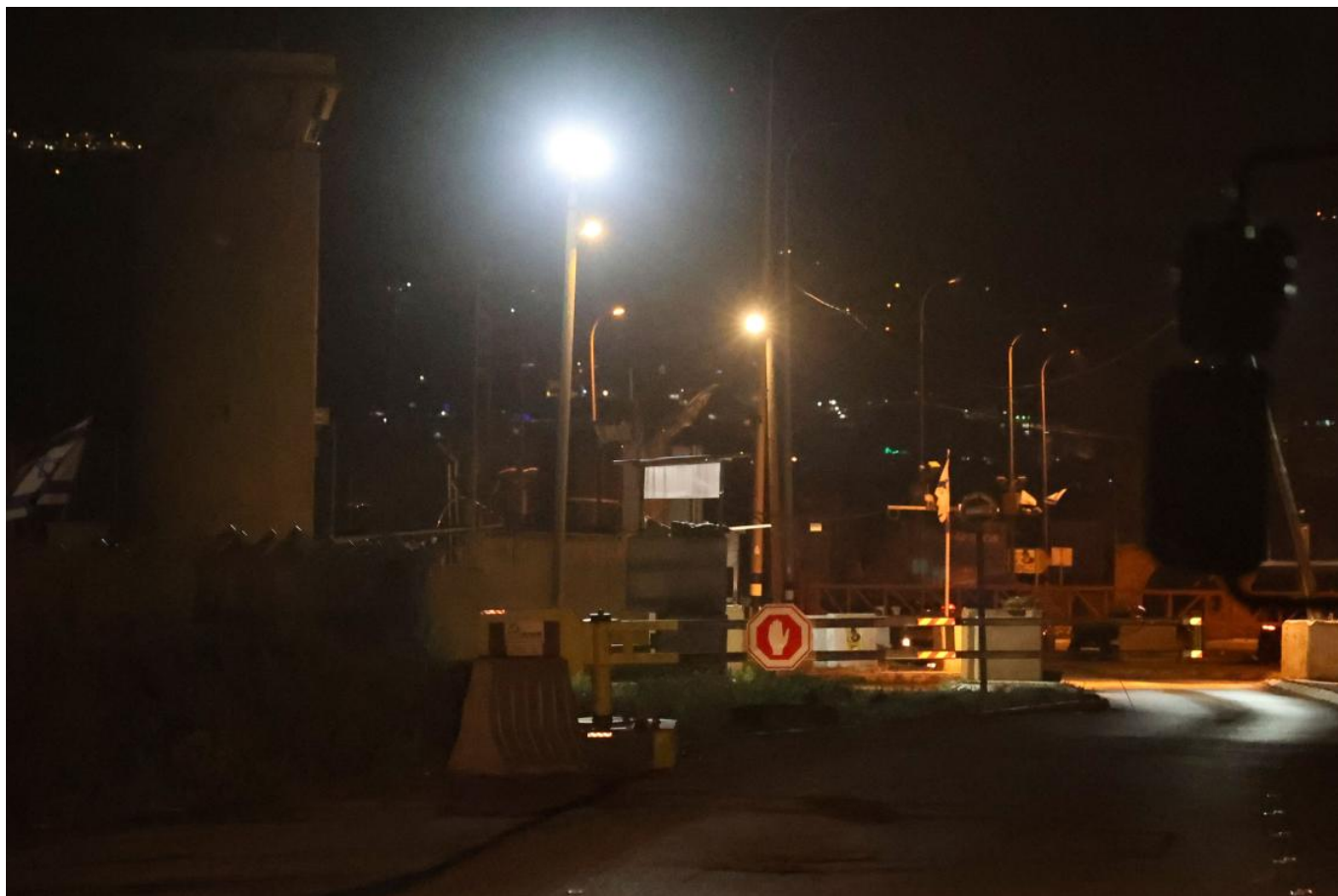
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JERUSALEM: The Israeli military said two soldiers were wounded, one severely, Saturday evening in a drive-by shooting in the occupied West Bank, the latest in months-long violence between Israel and the Palestinians.

The attack was the third to take place in the Palestinian town of Hawara in less than a month. One soldier was seriously wounded and the second was in moderate condition, the military said. A manhunt was launched as forces sealed roads leading to Hawara.



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## [Houthi drone attacks Yemen defense minister's convoy in Taiz](#)

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AL-MUKALLA: A Yemeni government soldier was killed and two others wounded on Saturday when an explosives-laden drone fired by Iran-backed Houthis attacked a convoy conveying senior military leaders, including Defense Minister Lt. Gen. Mohsen Al-Daeri, in the besieged city of Taiz, Yemeni officials and local media said.



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## [Judicial overhaul legislation must be halted, Israel Defense Minister](#)

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JERUSALEM: Israeli Defense Minister Yoav Gallant called on Saturday for an immediate and temporary halt to the far-right government's contentious plan to overhaul the judiciary, the first public dissent from within Prime Minister Benjamin's coalition.

Citing the need for dialogue with the opposition, Gallant asked Netanyahu's coalition to wait until after the Jewish passover holiday that begins on April 5 before pushing ahead with its divisive plan to overhaul the judiciary.



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