

## [‘There are no heroes’ in Hamas-Israel conflict. ‘Only victims,’ says former Saudi intelligence chief](#)

RIYADH: Israel and Hamas are worthy of condemnation because of their acts against civilians, Saudi Arabia’s former intelligence chief said, but maintained that the Palestinians had a right to resist Israel’s military occupation.

Prince Turki Al-Faisal said he categorically condemned “Hamas’ targeting of civilian targets of any age or gender, as it is accused of,” and said the acts go against Islamic injunctions against harming civilians and desecrating places of worship.

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## [Lebanon’s Hezbollah calls for ‘day of rage’ over Gaza hospital strike](#)

BEIRUT: Lebanon’s Iran-backed Hezbollah movement Tuesday called for a “day of rage” to condemn a strike on a Gaza Strip hospital as hundreds of demonstrators gathered at the French and US embassies in protest.

Hezbollah, an ally of Palestinian Islamist group Hamas, blamed the hospital attack on Israel, calling it a “massacre” and a “brutal crime,” while Israel’s army blamed a rocket misfired by Islamic Jihad, another Gaza-based militant group.

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## [Jordan announces cancelation of summit with Biden](#)

Jordan on Tuesday announced the cancelation of a summit involving US President Joe Biden that it was hoped would breathe new life into the Middle East peace process following major fighting between Israel and Hamas.

The summit will be held “when the decision to stop the war and put an end to these massacres has been taken,” said Foreign Minister Ayman Safadi.

Biden said Tuesday he was “outraged” by a deadly explosion at a Gaza hospital and had told security advisers to gather more details.

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## [How disruption of Al-Aqsa's status quo reignited the Israel-Palestine conflict](#)

LONDON: On Friday, Sept. 29, Daniel Seidemann, an Israeli lawyer who specializes in Israeli-Palestinian relations in Jerusalem, made the finishing touches to a research paper he had been commissioned to write by the Research & Studies Unit of Arab News.

The subject was the Al-Aqsa Mosque compound on the Haram Al-Sharif, known to Jews and Christians as the Temple Mount, which holds such significance for all three Abrahamic faiths, but where only Muslims may pray and other faiths may only visit.

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## [Saudi Arabia leads condemnation of Israeli airstrike on Gaza hospital that killed hundreds](#)

RIYADH: Saudi Arabia on Tuesday led global condemnations of the Israeli airstrike on a Gaza hospital that killed hundreds.

The Kingdom condemned in the "strongest terms" an Israeli air strike that killed about 500 Palestinians at a Gaza City hospital crammed with patients and displaced people on Tuesday.

"Saudi Arabia categorically rejects this brutal attack, which is a flagrant violation of all international laws and norms, including international humanitarian law," the foreign ministry said.