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Report: Israel and Hamas Agree ‘in Principle’ to Ceasefire and Hostage Deal

<https://news.antiwar.com/2025/01/14/report-israel-and-hamas-agree-in-principle-to-ceasefire-and-hostage-deal/>

What we know about the Gaza truce being negotiated between Israel and Hamas

<https://www.france24.com/en/middle-east/20250114-what-we-know-about-the-gaza-truce-being-negotiated-between-israel-and-hamas>

Lebanon’s PM-designate Nawaf Salam promises to ‘rescue, reform and rebuild’

<https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2025/1/14/lebanons-pm-designate-nawaf-salam-promises-to-rescue-reform-and-rebuild>

Pro-Israel judge set to replace Lebanon’s Nawaf Salam at helm of ICJ

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Take it off!': Palestinian women detail sexual assault by Israeli troops during Kamal Adwan Hospital raid

<https://thecradle.co/articles/take-it-off-palestinian-women-detail-sexual-assault-by-israeli-troops-during-kamal-adwan-hospital-raid>

Israel soldiers increasingly refusing to continue fighting in Gaza over war crimes, report reveals

<https://www.middleeastmonitor.com/20250114-israel-soldiers-increasingly-refusing-to-continue-fighting-in-gaza-over-war-crimes-report-reveals/>

Israeli Strikes Kill 38 Palestinians in Gaza Amid Talk of Ceasefire Deal

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Israel’s Ben Gvir Threatens To Quit Government Over Ceasefire Deal

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Israel refuses to release body of Yahya Sinwar as part of Gaza deal

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Swedish Dockworkers threaten blockade to and from 'Israel'

<https://english.almayadeen.net/news/politics/swedish-dockworkers-threaten-blockade-to-and-from-israel>

South Korea’s President Yoon arrested: What happened and what’s next

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Indonesia joins BRICS: What now for West Papuan goal of independence?

<https://asiapacificreport.nz/2025/01/14/indonesia-joins-brics-what-now-for-west-papuan-goal-of-independence/>

Inside the strategic partnership treaty between Iran and Russia

<https://www.middleeasteye.net/news/iran-russia-inside-strategic-partnership-treaty>

Ukraine launches largest air attacks on Russia since start of war	https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2025/1/14/ukraine-launches-largest-air-attacks-on-russia-since-start-of-war
Ukrainian chemical attack on Russian defense plant staff thwarted – FSB	https://www.rt.com/russia/610837-toxic-chemical-terrorist-attack-by-ukraine-prevented/
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US to ban smart cars equipped with Russian and Chinese technology	https://english.almayadeen.net/news/technology/us-to-ban-smart-cars-equipped-with-russian-and-chinese-tech
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Sudan rescuers say more than 120 killed by shelling near capital	https://www.newarab.com/news/sudan-rescuers-say-more-120-killed-shelling-near-capital
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Brazil expresses concern over Meta's changes to content moderation	https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2025/1/14/brazil-expresses-concern-over-metas-changes-to-content-moderation

DRC suspends Al Jazeera for broadcasting interview with M23 leader

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Egypt parliament authorises public prosecution to monitor communication platforms

<https://www.middleeastmonitor.com/20250114-egypt-parliament-authorises-public-prosecution-to-monitor-communication-platforms/>

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Customs seize 50kg of hair at Moscow airport

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Coyote makes 'a mistake,' winds up in Aldi refrigerated shelf

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