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Word of the Month:
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Ceasefire in Gaza

After two years of relentless warfare, Gaza faces a fragile ceasefire that may mark the end of a devastating chapter. Despite enduring immense destruction, famine, and tens of thousands of deaths, Palestinians in Gaza continue to demonstrate resilience and hope for freedom. Israel's military campaign, though it occupied much of Gaza and inflicted catastrophic damage, failed to eliminate Hamas or secure all hostages. The ceasefire, based on Donald Trump's "20-point plan," consists of three phases involving prisoner exchanges, partial Israeli withdrawals, easing of humanitarian restrictions, and Hamas's limited disarmament. Later phases address Gaza's reconstruction and vaguely reference a potential Palestinian state, though the text's ambiguity allows Israel broad interpretive power, raising doubts about genuine sovereignty or lasting peace.

The agreement appears to serve U.S. strategic interests more than Israel's immediate ambitions. Under Trump's pressure, Israel accepted terms meant to reduce regional instability that had become a burden to Washington, whose focus lies on global competition with China. For U.S. allies like Saudi Arabia and the UAE—whose economic modernization depends on regional stability—Israel's expansionist policies have become an obstacle. Trump's ability to compel Israel without facing domestic backlash from pro-Israel lobbies is portrayed as politically unique.

While the ceasefire is a welcome alternative to continued bloodshed, the article concludes that true peace remains elusive. As long as Israeli expansionism persists and the regional balance of power remains unchanged, stability in the Middle East will be temporary at best. Genuine peace, it argues, requires a transformation that empowers Palestinians to rebuild socially, economically, and politically as an independent and self-determining nation.

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The Sudanese Communist Party, Political Bureau

The Sudanese Communist Party (SCP) condemns in the strongest terms the massacres committed by the Rapid Support Forces (RSF) against civilians in El Fasher, Bara, Kordofan, and Darfur, denouncing them as systematic acts of terror, field executions, mass displacement, looting, and destruction verified by international organizations. The Party argues that these atrocities stem from a long history of impunity and the failure to prosecute war crimes, which has allowed the repetition of genocidal violence since the early Darfur massacres. It also criticizes the Sudanese army for abandoning civilians in El Fasher, calling this a betrayal of its fundamental duty to protect the population.

The SCP situates the conflict within a broader struggle between corrupt, parasitic factions of Sudanese capitalism competing for power and resources, supported by regional and imperialist interests seeking to weaken and fragment Sudan. The Party calls on the international community, human rights organizations, and leftist and labour movements worldwide to move beyond symbolic statements and take concrete action: halt arms exports, impose sanctions, and establish independent investigations into war crimes.

Finally, the SCP demands an immediate ceasefire, the establishment of open humanitarian corridors, and the implementation of international accountability mechanisms, urging Sudanese democratic and mass movements to unite, mobilize, and reclaim the revolutionary path toward a civil democratic state founded on justice and social equality. The statement closes with a resolute pledge: *"Stop the killing. Open the corridors for aid. Bring the perpetrators to justice. Justice for the victims, freedom and peace for the people of Sudan."*

Political Bureau, Sudanese Communist Party

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Greater Tunb, Lesser Tunb and Abu Musa are an Inseparable Part of Iranian Territory!

The Left Party of Iran criticizes the Islamic Republic's ideological and adventurous foreign policy for weakening Iran's regional and international standing, creating opportunities for foreign powers to exploit tensions with its neighbours. The party points to the recent joint statement by the European Union and the Persian Gulf Cooperation Council, which challenges Iran's sovereignty over the Greater Tunb, Lesser Tunb, and Abu Musa islands, as evidence of this vulnerability. It argues that such statements, ignoring Iran's historical and legal sovereignty, constitute political interference that fosters distrust and instability in the region. This situation, the party contends, stems from the regime's misguided and confrontational diplomacy, which has left Iran politically isolated

and exposed to external manipulation.

Reaffirming Iran's rightful sovereignty, the Left Party explains that Iran's deployment of forces on the three islands in 1971 was a legitimate act of restoring sovereignty after Britain's withdrawal from the Persian Gulf. The arrangements—negotiated with Britain and, in the case of Abu Musa, formalized in a memorandum with Sharjah—confirmed Iran's presence and authority before the formation of the United Arab Emirates. The party rejects the UAE's territorial claims as baseless and politically motivated, emphasizing that the islands are inseparable parts of Iran. It calls for disputes to be resolved through direct, respectful dialogue between regional states while opposing any external attempts to exploit the weaknesses of the Islamic Republic at the expense of Iran's national interests.

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The statement by HAMGAMI (The Coalition for the Secular Democratic Republic of Iran)

Hamgami welcomes the ceasefire agreement and the exchange of prisoners between Israel and the Palestinians, viewing it as an important step toward ending the humanitarian catastrophe in Gaza. This agreement, brokered by Qatar, Egypt, and Turkey within the framework of Donald Trump's proposed twenty-point plan, has led to the release of Israeli hostages and thousands of Palestinian prisoners, offering renewed hope for halting the war and establishing peace. The statement condemns the extensive destruction and heavy human losses in Gaza and highlights the role of Israel's extremist government in continuing the genocide, blockade, and forced starvation of the people of Gaza. At the same time, it stresses that the ceasefire remains fragile and can only lead to lasting peace if both sides commit to dialogue and mutual respect.

The political movement emphasizes the necessity of a two-state solution and the creation of an independent Palestinian state based on UN Resolution 181, calling for a complete cessation of the war and accountability for the leaders of Israel and Hamas for war crimes. The statement criticizes the Islamic Republic's reckless foreign policy, noting that by refusing to participate in the Sharm el-Sheikh summit and ignoring opportunities to engage in the peace process, it has disregarded both Iran's national interests and those of the Palestinian people. It also warns that Trump's peace plan, despite global public pressure, still falls short of a practical roadmap and will only succeed if it ends the occupation of Palestinian territories in accordance with UN resolutions, guarantees the reconstruction of Gaza, and ensures that the governance of Palestinian lands belongs exclusively to the Palestinians themselves.

Hamgami (Coalition for a Secular Democratic Republic in Iran)

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Report on the Annual Festival of the Communist Party of Spain

United and Hopeful in the Face of Global Threats from the Right and the Far Right

The annual festival of the Communist Party of Spain was held on September 26–28, 2025, in Rivas, near Madrid, gathering over a thousand party members and supporters, along with dozens of international delegations. In the opening session, Aída Castillejo, the communist mayor of Rivas, emphasized the need to build a strong progressive force within local governance to counter the far-right politics of Isabel Díaz Ayuso, whom she called "a representative of state Zionism." She called for a full boycott of Israel, criticizing the recent royal decree as insufficient. Miguel Montero, the party's Madrid secretary, warned against compromising with the right wing and urged radical social change, including confiscation of large estates and rent control. He also announced an upcoming internal debate process aimed at strengthening the Communist Party as a tool to overcome capitalism. Feminist secretary Cristina Simó honoured women activists and declared that "the war is being financed by our rights," framing it as both a class and gender conflict. She called for unity against the far-right coalition of the People's Party and Vox, expressing solidarity with women in Palestine, Western Sahara, and Kobane. The meeting also featured a video message from Lebanese fighter Georges Abdallah, recently freed after 30 years in Israeli prison.

In his closing speech, Enrique Santiago, the party's general secretary, called the genocide in Palestine "the most urgent cause for international solidarity" and demanded sanctions against Israel, while reaffirming support for Western Sahara, Cuba, and Venezuela. He warned of growing militarization in the EU and NATO, and the rise of fascism in Spain, describing it as a legacy of Francoism, urging unity among leftist forces to resist it. Santiago expressed optimism about alternative alliances such as BRICS, "representing half of humanity and defending multilateralism and peace." The festival's panels covered global and national issues, including Trump's policies, NATO, far-right movements, the war in Gaza, feminism, Latin America, and environmental crises. The Party of the Iranian Left participated as the only Iranian delegation, engaging in discussions with Santiago, who emphasized demilitarization and exiting NATO. In his speech, Mehdi Ebrahimzadeh condemned Israel's genocide in Gaza, criticized Trumpism and the global far right, and denounced the Islamic Republic's repression, executions, environmental neglect,

and nuclear policy that has "taken 92 million Iranians hostage." The festival concluded with a strong spirit of solidarity with the Palestinian people and a united call for peace, justice, and socialism against imperialism, militarism, and the far-right threat worldwide.

Environmental News of Iran

Tehran Enters Its Fifth Year of Drought

Seyed Ali Sharifi, Deputy for Prevention and Risk Reduction at the Tehran Disaster Prevention and Management Organization, announced that the capital has entered its fifth consecutive year of drought. He stated that Tehran is currently facing a critical situation in terms of water resources, and overcoming this challenge requires coordination, cooperation, and strong determination from all relevant agencies and organizations.

He added that, in line with water resource management efforts, the Tehran Disaster Prevention and Management Organization, in collaboration with the Tehran Water and Wastewater Company—as the body responsible for the Lifeline Working Group of the Crisis Management Headquarters—has developed an operational plan.

This plan, after obtaining approval from the relevant authorities and being ratified in the eighth session of the Crisis Management Headquarters of the Tehran metropolis, has entered the implementation phase.

According to this plan, the process of monitoring, updating, and controlling the actions of organizations will continue in accordance with the roles and responsibilities defined for each.

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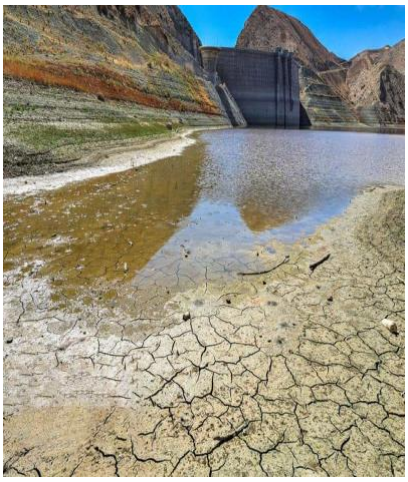

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