

Qatar Negotiating Hostage-Prisoner Swap

Hamas Says Open To Truce Talks With Israel

Why In The News?

- **Qatari Mediators** Have Held Urgent Calls With Hamas Officials To Try To **Negotiate Freedom For Israeli Women And Children** Seized By The Terrorist Group And Held In Gaza **In Exchange For The Release Of 36 Palestinian Women And Children** From Israel's Prisons.
- The Ongoing Negotiations, Which Qatar Has Been Conducting In Coordination With The United States Since Saturday Night, Are "**Moving Positively**," Said The Source.



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What Do We Know?

- The **Death Toll** Of The Israel-Palestine War Mounted To Over **1,100** As Israel Retaliated To Hamas' Deadliest Attack Via Air-water-land On Israel. As Israeli Volunteers Went Around Looking For Dead Bodies, At Least **260 Bodies Were Recovered** From A Site In Israel Where A Music Festival Was Going On.
- The **All-Night Nature Music Festival** Near The Gaza Strip Attended By Thousands Came Under Attack By **Palestine-Based Hamas Militants** On Saturday. Israeli Rescue Service Zaka Said It Had Retrieved Hundreds Of Bodies From The Supernova Festival, Near Kibbutz Re'im Close To Gaza.

- Israel Battled Hamas Fighters Still Holed Up In Southern Towns Monday And Massed Tens Of Thousands Of Troops Near The Gaza Strip After Vowing To Defeat The Palestinian Militant Group Whose Surprise Attack The Shocked **Nation Has Likened To 9/11.**
- Palestinians In The Crowded Coastal Territory **Of 2.3 Million People** Braced For What Many Feared Will Be A Massive Israeli Ground Attack **Aiming To Defeat Hamas And Liberate At Least 100 Hostages.**
- Israel Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu Has **Warned Gaza Civilians To Get Away From All Hamas Sites** Which He Has Vowed To Turn "To Rubble". **Egypt Had Urged Israel To Exercise Restraint** And Hamas To Hold Its Captives In Good Condition To Keep Open The Possibility Of De-escalation Soon, Although Israeli Strikes On The Gaza Strip Made Mediation Difficult.

