

US AND IRAN PAUSE ATTACKS BUT DIFFER OVER DOHA TALKS

Donald Trump claims Iran requested talks; Tehran denies its did so

Hormuz traffic drops after fresh exchange of strikes

LONDON: Traffic through the Strait of Hormuz slowed over the weekend after a vessel was struck and renewed US-Iran exchanges strained their preliminary peace deal.

TEHRAN

US President Donald Trump said Iran has requested a meeting that will be held in Qatar on Tuesday, despite Tehran earlier denying that any technical talks on the deal aimed at ending the West Asia war were planned.

The announcement came after Iran held its first talks with Oman on managing the Strait of Hormuz since the US-Iran deal was signed, and as Washington and Tehran agreed to halt their attacks, which had strained the agreement.

The exchanges of fire have underscored the fragility of the Pakistan-brokered agreement to stop the war, which sowed havoc across the West Asia and snarled the flow of oil and gas shipments through the vital Hormuz Strait.

"Iran has requested a meeting. It will take place tomorrow in Doha!" Trump posted on his Truth Social platform on Monday without specifying the participants.

White House spokeswoman Karoline Leavitt later told Fox News that US envoy Steve Witkoff and Trump's adviser and son-in-law Jared Kushner "will be flying to Doha for high-level meetings this week."

A diplomat with knowledge of the talks confirmed to AFP that officials from the US and Iran were due to meet in the Qatari capital to discuss the deal signed earlier this month.

"Technical teams working on the implementation of the MoU are scheduled to meet in Doha in the coming days," the diplomat said on condition of anonymity.

The diplomat added that "communications channels created to de-escalate any incidents are in place" after the strikes. Qatar has played a key role alongside Pakistan in mediating a conclusion to the conflict, with the most recent discussions between Tehran and Washington taking place on June 21 with all four countries in attendance.

Iran's foreign ministry also dismissed reports that Iranian and American technical teams would meet in the coming days to discuss implementation of the agreement.

"No technical meetings of the working groups are planned for this week," Deputy Foreign Minister Kazem Gharibabadi said, referring to the Iranian week ending on Friday. Iran's deputy foreign minister Kazem Gharibabadi denied reports of technical talks this week, state TV reported.

Iran says \$6B assets in Qatar to be released

DUBAI: Iranian President Masoud Pezeshkian said \$6 billion of the \$12 billion in Iranian assets frozen in Qatar would be released under the interim US-Iran agreement, calling it "a great victory".

3 dead in Israeli strike on Central Gaza tent

DEIR AL-BALAH: An Israeli drone strike on a tent sheltering displaced Palestinians in central Gaza killed three people, including an eight-year-old boy and his grandfather, health officials said Monday.

LEBANON, U.S. DISCUSS DEAL IMPLEMENTATION

BEIRUT: Lebanese army chief Rodolphe Haykal and Admiral Brad Cooper, the senior US military commander for the Middle East, discussed implementing last week's US-backed Lebanon-Israel framework agreement aimed at ending hostilities with Hezbollah, the Lebanese army said Monday.

The talks focused on enforcing the agreement's security annex and strengthening future military cooperation. The deal commits Lebanon to restoring state control by disarming non-state armed groups, paving the way for a phased Israeli withdrawal from southern Lebanon.



Lebanon's President Joseph Aoun (R) shaking hands with Admiral Brad Cooper, the commander of CENTCOM in Baabda | AFP



Aerial view of destroyed buildings in Caraballeda of La Guaira state in Venezuela | AFP

AFTERSHOCK JOLTS VENEZUELA; RESCUE GOES ON

A strong aftershock jolted Venezuela early Monday following last week's devastating back-to-back earthquakes, as civilians and emergency responders kept combing through the ruins of fallen buildings for survivors.

The aftershock, which struck about 27 kilometers (17 miles) north of Caraballeda on Venezuela's Caribbean coast at 7:01 a.m. local time, measured 4.6 on the Richter scale, according to the United States Geological Survey.

Colombia's geological survey put the magnitude at 5.1. Jorge Rodriguez, the leader of the Venezuelan National Assembly, said there were no immediate reports of additional damage from the quake, which sent residents in the capital of Caracas screaming into the streets.

"Here we are again, back in the street. I don't know when we'll have a moment of true peace," said Concepcion Hernandez, 51, who evacuated her apartment building in the Chacao municipality of Caracas.

The government has reported 1,450 dead from the quakes as it faces growing criticism from Venezuelans that its response is inadequate and overshadowed by civilian-led efforts to rescue people buried under collapsed buildings.

Even as the likelihood of finding people alive diminished with each passing hour, rescuers continued to free some survivors from debris, offering anguished families a sliver of hope.

Pak strikes, ground ops in Af kill 36, injure 160

ISLAMABAD

PAKISTANI forces' ground operations and strikes killed at least 36 civilians in Afghanistan overnight and wounded more than 160 others, Afghan officials said Monday, as tensions between the neighbors escalated.



Residents walk through the rubble after what Taliban officials said were Pakistani airstrikes a day earlier that killed civilians, including children, in the village of Mandokhail, Chamkani district, Pakhtia province, Afghanistan | AP

Paktia, Pakhtika, and Kunar provinces as a "cowardly act of aggression" and an "act of brutality".

Hamdullah Fitrat, the deputy spokesperson for Afghanistan's Taliban government, said Pakistani forces targeted a home in Paktia's Chamkani district, killing an older man and a child, while other family members were wounded.

SC says Fed's Cook can keep job for now, but it upholds other Don firings

WASHINGTON

THE Supreme Court on Monday dramatically expanded presidential power, upholding President Donald Trump's authority to fire the heads of independent federal agencies, while making an exception for the Federal Reserve.



Federal Reserve Board of Governors member Lisa Cook | AP

The court allowed Federal Reserve governor Lisa Cook to remain in office while she challenges Trump's attempt to dismiss her over mortgage fraud allegations, which she denies.

Sonia Sotomayor warned the decision gave the president "more power than ever before".

Carroll verdict stands

The court also declined to hear Trump's appeal against a jury's \$5 million verdict finding him liable for sexually abusing writer E Jean Carroll and later defaming her. The court issued no explanation, leaving the judgment intact.

Trump called the decision "surprising" and vowed to continue fighting the claims.

CNN suit rejected

In a separate order, the court refused to revive Alan Dershowitz's \$300 million defamation lawsuit against CNN over its coverage of remarks he made while defending Trump during his 2020 impeachment.

Lower courts said Dershowitz failed to establish "actual malice". AP

EXPRESS READ

Shooting in Germany leaves 6 dead; suspected shooter arrested

BERLIN: Six people were killed and several others injured in a shooting at a youth welfare facility in northern Germany on Monday, police said. Five victims — four women and one man — died at the scene, while another adult succumbed to injuries in hospital.

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