

US-Iran Conflict Briefing

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Riyadh airport struck again, a day after the deadly attack

- A projectile struck Terminal 4 of Riyadh's King Khalid International Airport on Sunday, starting a fire and injuring several people, the Saudi-led coalition and the General Authority of Civil Aviation said. — [CNN](#)
- Saudi air defenses intercepted a cruise missile in the airport's vicinity earlier Sunday, and the coalition said a drone was intercepted and destroyed in the kingdom's Eastern Province. — [CNN](#)
- The Sunday strike left a Pakistani resident dead and injured 11 others, all transferred to hospital, Saudi civil aviation authorities said; an Indian citizen injured in Saturday's attack later died, the Indian Embassy in Riyadh confirmed, adding to a Saturday toll of at least 12 killed and 309 wounded. — [CNN](#)
- The airport stayed closed through at least late Sunday after the Saturday attack, with more than 600 flights cancelled, per CNN's tally; Flightradar24 data showed 271 departing flights cancelled by 5:34am local time Sunday, 73 percent of scheduled departures. — [CNN](#)
- The Houthis claimed responsibility for the weekend attacks, describing them as retaliation for an intensified Saudi air campaign; Houthi military spokesman Yahya Saree said Saudi warplanes had launched 124 airstrikes over the previous 24 hours and threatened continued targeting of Saudi airports and other sites. — [CNN](#)
- The Houthis also claimed an attack on King Fahd International Airport in Dammam; Saudi Arabia's General Authority of Civil Aviation confirmed late Sunday that the airport had come under attack and that damage assessments and safety inspections were underway. — [CNN](#)

Retaliation cycle widens as Washington deepens its role

- The United States has already sent military and intelligence personnel to Saudi Arabia to assist with targeting against the Houthis, a source told The Times. — [The Times](#)
- President Trump, speaking to reporters at Joint Base Andrews on Saturday evening, called the Riyadh airport attack 'terrible' and 'not acceptable,' said he would speak with Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman, and declined to detail a U.S. response, saying 'you're gonna find out.' — [The Times](#)
- France, Canada and Germany warned airlines that flying over all or large parts of Saudi Arabia is no longer safe, and the U.S., U.K. and Australia advised citizens to avoid Riyadh airport, following the October 10-11 strikes. — [The Times](#)
- The U.K. Foreign Office advised British citizens against travel to Jeddah and Dammam and to all Saudi airports except Prince Mohammed bin Abdulaziz International Airport in Medina. — [The Times](#)

Tanker attacks persist in the Strait of Hormuz

- The U.K. Maritime Trade Operations agency reported that an outbound tanker in the Strait of Hormuz was struck on its port side by an unidentified projectile on Sunday; all crew were safe and no environmental impact was reported. — [CNN](#)

- The IRGC Navy claimed a supertanker carrying crude oil suffered a massive explosion after striking one of its naval mines while attempting to leave the strait through a route Tehran had not authorized; IRGC head Ahmed Vahidi called the strait 'Iran's strategic red line.' — [CNN](#)
- UKMTO said several ships in UAE waters received VHF radio messages directing them to leave their anchorages; maritime analysts Ambrey said the IRGC Navy had warned six vessels near Ras al Khaimah to heave up anchor and transit to Dubai anchorage. — [CNN](#)

Hormuz diplomacy regresses as Iran rejects the U.S. reply

- Iran's security chief Mohsen Rezaei said the U.S. response to Iran's seven conditions for reopening the Strait of Hormuz was 'insufficient,' adding that Iran is 'no longer in the process of responding to the Americans' and that no negotiations will take place until the conditions are met. — [Reuters](#)
- Rezaei said Washington had replied via Qatari intermediaries, accepting some of the seven conditions while others remain unclear; the White House did not immediately respond to a Reuters request for comment. — [Reuters](#)

Markets

- Brent settled at \$103.84 a barrel on October 11. — [Reuters](#)
- WTI settled at \$91.03 a barrel on October 11. — [Reuters](#)

Shipping

- An outbound tanker was struck by an unidentified projectile in the Strait of Hormuz on October 11, with all crew reported safe and no environmental impact, per UKMTO. — [CNN](#)
- Crude and petroleum product flows through the strait averaged about 13.1 million barrels per day at the end of September — just under 80 percent of pre-war volumes — per Kpler data. — [CNN](#)
- Only seven tankers transited the Strait of Hormuz on Tuesday, less than half the seven-day average and the lowest number since July 23, per Kpler data. — [CNN](#)

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