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Trump Weighs Holding Off on New Attacks on Iran, Reuters Reports

- President Donald Trump has told senior advisers in recent days that he may hold off on attacking Iran if the United States faces no new provocations from Tehran or the Iran-backed Houthis in Yemen, according to three people familiar with the matter, Reuters reported on November 14, 2026. — Reuters
- Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman and Turkish President Tayyip Erdogan both urged Trump in phone calls over the past two weeks not to resume attacks on Iran, Reuters reported. — Reuters
- Trump told bin Salman on October 31 that he was planning to attack after the elections, but the crown prince pleaded for him to hold off, arguing economic sanctions against Iran were working, Reuters reported. — Reuters
- Reuters reported that Trump has not made up his mind and has made no commitment, and that the account rests on anonymous sourcing. — Reuters

Iran Says Another Tanker Hit a Mine and Caught Fire Near Hormuz

- Iran's navy said an oil tanker caught fire on Saturday morning, November 14, 2026 after hitting a naval mine in the eastern Strait of Hormuz, Iranian state media reported; Reuters said it could not immediately verify the report. — Reuters
- No vessel name had been publicly identified and no maritime authority had confirmed a mine strike or fire in connection with the November 14 claim. — Reuters
- The claim follows Iran's November 13 statement that two oil tankers hit sea mines and caught fire in the Strait of Hormuz; those two tankers also remain unidentified, and no maritime authority has confirmed a mine strike or fire for them. — Reuters

Nuclear Talks and the Inspection Test Facing the IAEA Board

- Reuters reported on November 12, 2026 that Iran and European powers discussed reviving the JCPOA nuclear deal, and that IAEA Director General Rafael Grossi said Iran must allow inspections of sites bombed in June and clarify its enriched uranium stockpile. — Reuters
- The IAEA Board of Governors is due to meet in Vienna in the coming days, with Iran's inspection access and its enriched uranium stockpile at the center of the agenda, Reuters reported. — Reuters

Markets

- Brent settled at $95.84 a barrel on November 13. — Wall Street Journal
- West Texas Intermediate settled at $88.56 a barrel on November 13. — Wall Street Journal
- The ten-year Treasury yield rose to 5.15 percent on November 13. — Wall Street Journal

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