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POLICE DETAIN protesters at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) during a pro-Palestinian protest. (Mike Blake/Reuters)

## LA police storm pro-Palestinian camp at UCLA, arrest protesters

By MICHAEL STARR

Columns of anti-Israel activists wielding shields clashed with armored Californian riot police in pre-dawn engagements as law enforcement officers attempted to remove a protest encampment from the University of California Los Angeles campus on Thursday, according to local pro-Palestinian student groups.

Students for Justice in Pal-

estine (SJP) claimed that they had managed to repel attempts by police to enter during the night, but during the early light of day authorities had managed to remove some materials from the tent settlement.

Around fifty police employed tear gas, stun grenades, and rubber bullet launchers, said SJP. Some students had been arrested.

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### ISRAEL AT WAR



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## US, Saudis close to defense pact, but Gaza calm needed

By TOVAH LAZAROFF

Washington and Riyadh are close to finalizing details of a defense pact, but the Gaza war must end for that agreement and the one regarding normalization between Israel and Saudi Arabia to be completed, US State Department spokesperson Matthew Miller told reporters in Washington on Thursday.

"There are a few details [on the defense pact] that we have to continue to work through, but we think we can reach agreement on those details in very short order," Miller said. "We are very far along," he said.

He explained, however, that this defense agreement is just one part of a triad understanding that would also see a normalization deal between Israel and Saudi Arabia and would set out a pathway for Palestinian statehood.

Miller clarified that it would not be possible to move forward on the package as long as the Gaza war continued.

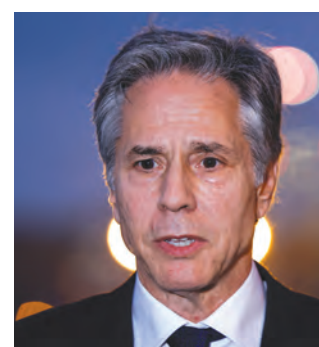
"Saudi Arabia has been very clear there will be no agreement in this regard while the conflict is raging," Miller said, adding that Riyadh had two requirements for an agreement: calm in Gaza and a path to Palestinian statehood.

"We might reach an agreement with Saudi Arabia on what this package ought to look like. But in terms of an actual deal that includes normalization with Israel, there needs to be calm in Gaza," he stressed.

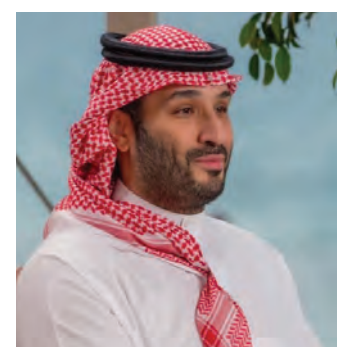
The US had been deep into negotiating the triad Saudi agreement, often referred to as the normalization deal, in the fall. Those efforts were scuttled by Hamas's invasion of southern Israel on October 7.

At the time, it was believed that the schedule for approval was tight due to the US presidential elections, and that time frame is even tighter now.

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ANTONY BLINKEN (Evelyn Hockstein/Reuters)



MOHAMMED BIN SALMAN (Saudi Press Agency/via Reuters)

## Graham: Normalization a must for pact to pass Senate

By TOVAH LAZAROFF

The United States cannot move forward on a defense pact with Saudi Arabia unless the deal also includes a normalization agreement with Israel, US Sen. Lindsey Graham (R-South Carolina) said Thursday.

"There will not be 67 votes in the United States Senate for a defense agreement between Saudi Arabia and the

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## FM Katz: Erdogan breaking deals by blocking ports for trade

Reuters

Foreign minister Israel Katz said on Thursday that Turkish President Tayyip Erdogan was breaking agreements by blocking ports for Israeli imports and exports.

"This is how a dictator behaves: disregarding the interests of the Turkish people and businessmen, and ignoring international trade agreements," he posted on X.

Katz said he instructed the Foreign Ministry to work to

create alternatives for trade with Turkey, focusing on local production and imports from other countries.

Bloomberg reported on Thursday that Ankara had stopped all exports and imports to and from Israel, citing two Turkish officials.

The Turkish presidency, foreign and trade ministries were not immediately available for comment.

The two countries had a trade volume of \$6.8 billion in 2023. Turkey last month imposed

trade restrictions on Israel over what it said was Jerusalem's refusal to allow Ankara to take part in aid air-drop operations for Gaza as well as its offensive on the enclave.

Asked about Turkey's ongoing trade with Israel despite the harsh rhetoric from Ankara, Erdogan said last month that Turkey no longer continues "intense trade" with Israel, adding "that is done." He did not indicate that Ankara had cut off all trade with Israel, however.

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Haifa	6:53 p.m.	8:04 p.m.
Beersheba	7:01 p.m.	8:01 p.m.
Eilat	6:48 p.m.	7:57 p.m.

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## New generals replace those who quit

By AMIR BOHBOT and AVI ASHKENAZI

The IDF on Thursday evening announced the names of officers who will assume senior roles in the General Staff. The appointments followed discussions between Defense Minister Yoav Gallant and Chief of Staff Lt.-Gen. Herzi Halevi.

The decisions were based on evaluations of commanders who distinguished themselves in combat and staff roles during the current Swords of Iron War, Walla reported.

Brig.-Gen. Avi Blut will be promoted to general and become commander of Central Command.

Brig.-Gen. Shlomi Binder will be promoted to general and head Military Intelligence.

Brig.-Gen. Dan Goldfus will be promoted to general and

be commander of the Northern Corps and head of the Ground Forces Maneuvering System.

Brig.-Gen.-David "Dado" Bar Kalifa will be promoted to general and head the Personnel Division.

Brig.-Gen. Aviad Dagan will be promoted to general and head the Communications Division.

The appointments will be implemented in the coming months on a phased basis, the IDF said.

Blut, a highly decorated combat officer, will be the first general from the religious-Zionist Eli Pre-military Academy. Residents of Judea and Samaria have said Central Command has not responded to their security needs adequately.

The future of the current Personnel Division head,

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Ephrat Peretz, culinary therapist, M.S.W.  
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