

# **The explosive device that proves Iran's role in the October 7 massacre**

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The Iranian explosive charge, discovered near Kibbutz Alumim and carried by Hamas terrorists during the brutal onslaught of October 7, is not a random artifact – it is yet another direct piece of evidence of Tehran's involvement in the October 7 massacre.

Iran has never concealed its broad support for Hamas. On the contrary, it proudly boasts of arming, training and funding the terrorist group's infrastructure for years. Supreme Leader Khamenei openly praises the massacre but attempts to shirk responsibility. Yet as more evidence surfaces, including Hamas documents seized by the IDF during fighting in Gaza, Iran's denials ring increasingly hollow.

The documents reveal that the Quds Force, particularly its Palestinian branch led by Saeed Izadi, was actively involved in planning a wide-ranging terror campaign against Israel. Ultimately, Hamas leader Yahya Sinwar proceeded without final coordination with Tehran or Hezbollah, thus averting an even more lethal combined assault.

## **Arms, training and planning: Iran's fingerprints on Gaza terror**

The explosive charge found near Alumim is not merely a piece of ordnance, it is a symbol of Iran's direct involvement in one of the worst atrocities in Israel's history. Tehran has blood on its hands not only for its part in the massacre itself but also for its long-standing investment in building up Hamas' and Palestinian Islamic Jihad's military wings.

Iran's deep involvement is evident in every aspect of Gaza-based terrorism: from smuggling Sayyad sniper rifles used by Hamas and Islamic Jihad to kill IDF soldiers, to years of training for terrorists, to the diverse weaponry it has provided, including drones and rockets, either smuggled in or manufactured locally with Iranian know-how. Iran has also helped develop Hamas' vast tunnel

network across the Gaza Strip, allowing it to conceal hostages and mobilize fighters undetected.

Despite this profound role in orchestrating the October 7 massacre, Tehran has yet to face proper international condemnation. President Donald Trump continues to claim he wants to solve the Iranian nuclear challenge and help Iran become a “successful country.” But the international community must not allow the regime to obscure its direct responsibility. Israel – and the world – must treat Iran not only as a sponsor of terrorism, but as an active partner in crimes against humanity.

Israel’s public diplomacy teams must use this Iranian explosive device, along with documented meetings and correspondence between Saeed Izadi and Hamas leaders, to go on the offensive against Iran. These materials should be presented at international forums and diplomatic summits attended by Iranian representatives, clearly laying out Tehran’s significant role in one of the most barbaric attacks in modern history.

It must be remembered that during this assault, hundreds of people – including babies, children, women and the elderly – were kidnapped. Horrific crimes were committed, including systematic rape, mutilation, and the incineration of entire families, infants in their cribs among them. The world must recognize Iran’s culpability and act accordingly.

At the same time, the presence of this Iranian-made charge highlights why it is essential for Israel to maintain full security control over Gaza. Israel must do everything in its power to prevent the reestablishment of Iran’s deadly smuggling routes into the Strip. Only firm Israeli control can block their return, and protect Israeli citizens from recurring threats.

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