Operation "Rising Lion"

June 13 – June 24

On June 13, 2025, the IDF launched Operation "Rising Lion" — an operation aimed at eliminating an existential threat to the State of Israel by targeting the Iranian regime's nuclear and missile programs.

After the IDF identified that the regime in Iran had advanced three programs aimed at annihilating the State of Israel:
1. Significant progress in the nuclear program brought the Iranian regime to a point very close to producing a nuclear weapon, should they have taken the decision to do so.
2. Advancement of the missile program and increase of the precision missile stockpile from approximately 2,500 to 8,000 within two years.
3. The regime advanced and planned an "Annihilation of Israel" plan — a multi-front attack beginning with a missile attack from Iran and all its proxies, followed by a massive ground infiltration by militias through all of Israel's borders.

The IDF recommended launching the operation at this time given that the Iranian threat was approaching a point of no return, alongside the IDF's optimal operational readiness.

The IDF launched a surprise opening strike 1,500 kilometers from Israel. In this strike, the IDF eliminated 9 nuclear scientists and 30 senior figures in the Iranian regime's security chain of command, including its three most senior commanders.

From the opening strike and throughout the 12 days of the operation, the IDF reached cumulative and expanding achievements, gained full aerial freedom of operation in the heart of Iran, and fully met and even exceeded — the objectives set for the operation.

The operation showcased the IDF's quality and precise intelligence alongside advanced operational and technological capabilities and aerial superiority. Alongside the offensive effort, the defense systems operated around the clock.

The Four Offensive Efforts:

- Elimination of the Iranian regime's security chain of command
- Establishing aerial superiority
- Production capabilities of missiles, launchers, and surface-to-surface missiles
- Objectives of the nuclear weapon project

The Degradation of the Iranian Regime's Nuclear Program

The Iranian Regime's Three Main Nuclear Sites Were Significantly Damaged



Two of the Iranian Regime's Uranium Enrichment Sites that Were Struck





The Conversion Facility in Isfahan Where Enriched Uranium Was Reconverted Into Metallic Form — The Site's Key Conversion Components Were Destroyed



Wide-Scale Strikes Against the Peripheral Infrastructure of the Nuclear Program

- Headquarters infrastructure sites and unique documentation related to the nuclear program were destroyed
- Research and development sites were destroyed
- Thousands of centrifuges were destroyed

The Inactive Nuclear Reactor in Arak Was Struck in Order To Prevent Its Future Reactivation



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Senior Nuclear Scientists Who Served as Key Knowledge Hubs Within Iran's Weaponization Group Were Eliminated


Abd al-Hamid Minoushehr
Amir Hassan Fakhahi
Mansour Asgari
Saeed Borji
Muhammad Mahdi Tehranchi
Fereydoun Abbasi
Akbar Motalebi Zadeh
Ali Bakhouei Katirimi
Ahmad Reza Zolfaghari Daryani
Saeed Aasar Hashemi Tabar
Muhammad Reza Sadeghi Saber

The Damage to the Iranian Regime's Missile Program and Production Arrays, and the and the Prevention of Further Launches Toward the State of Israel

The key building blocks of the Iranian regime's missile production industry were struck

- 200 missile launchers were destroyed
- More than 35 production sites were struck

Approx. 50% of all missile launchers were destroyed

Objectives

900+ targets struck

1,500+ components struck



Over **80** surface-to-air missile launchers struck



15 enemy aircraft destroyed



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The Israeli Air Force

1,500
sorties were carried out



Approx. 600
aerial refuelings were carried out en route to Iran.



500
remotely piloted aircraft strikes

1,400
airstrikes



The Furthest Fighter Jet Strike Was Carried Out at Mashhad Airport

Approx. 2,400 km from Israel



Aerial Defense Array

Hundreds
of UAV interceptions

Hundreds
of surface-to-surface missile interceptions



Over 99%
UAV interception success rate by the Aerial Defense Arrays

The Israeli Navy

Approx. 30
UAVs were intercepted by missile ships in the Mediterranean Sea and the Red Sea.

Over 3,500
operational sea hours by missile ships

Over 1,000
naval troops at sea at any given moment

The Home Front Command

The average response time of the personnel to the scene of an incident is **approx. only 15 minutes**

Search and rescue personnel operated at **more than 17 locations** across the country

Over 300,000,000
visits were recorded to the National Emergency Portal website throughout the days of the Home Front Command's Operation "Safe Return"

Over 1,000,000
calls were made to the Home Front Command's 104 hotline for clarification of protective guidelines and assistance for individuals experiencing anxiety

Approx. 100 mobile shelters were deployed across the country by Home Front Command personnel

Approx. 26,000 Home Front Command reservists have been called up, including around 50 battalions specializing in rescue and light infantry