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To whom it may concern,

## **"Operation Iron Swords" -Israel at war bulletin number 2**

Fighting has continue in Israel and over the Israel-Gaza border between Israeli forces and Palestinian militants after Palestinian militants, led by Hamas, launched a surprise land, air, and sea attack on Israel early Oct. 7.

For their part, Israeli forces have launched major retaliatory airstrikes in the Gaza Strip, killing more than 230 people in the territory as part of "Operation Iron Swords." Israeli authorities have also ordered electricity to be cut in Gaza amid the fighting.

### Airports

The conflict has caused significant flight disruptions in Israel with the Israel Airports.

Tel Aviv's Ben Gurion Airport (TLV) reportedly remained open as of late Oct. 9. Several airlines had canceled flights to and from the airport, including American Airlines (AA), Air France (AF), Delta Air Lines (DL), Lufthansa (LH), Emirates (EK), among others.

### Seaports

All seaports operate regularly.

### Border crossings

Today, October 9<sup>th</sup> 2023 ,cargo operations at Allenby Bridge (King Hussein) crossing and Jordan River/Sheikh Hussein Border Crossing are closed.

### Customs and regulation authorities

All customs field offices and regulation authorities are operating regularly.

### General

- The Israel Defense Forces (IDF) have closed main roads near the border with the Gaza Strip.
- Officials have announced that schools will be closed in central and southern Israel on Oct. 9.
- Heightened security measures and disruptions to transport and business will almost certainly continue in central and southern areas of Israel over at least the short term.
- Heightened security is likely at all Israeli ports of entry over the coming days, and the status of border crossings, airports, seaports, roads, and rail services may change on short notice in response to conflict developments. Precautionary measures, such as evacuations, are possible in areas impacted by armed conflict.

Regards

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