

Heavy price for hostages' release

After more than two years in captivity, the remaining 20 living hostages were released on Monday, 13 October. Since the war began, Israel has lost 914 IDF soldiers, 465 of whom were killed during the ground offensive inside Gaza.

As part of the peace plan, Israel released 250 terrorists serving life sentences, along with 1,700 detainees who were arrested after the October 7. **The list includes notorious terrorists.**

Iyad Abu al-Rub

Senior commander of **Palestinian Islamic Jihad** from the Jenin area. Responsible for a series of suicide bombings, including the 2003 attack in Sde Trumot, the 2004 bombing at the Stage nightclub in Tel Aviv, and the 2005 attack at the Hadera market, as well as for numerous foiled plots.



Palestinian Islamic Jihad militants, Khan Yunis on October 10, 2020. Photo by Abed Rahim Khatib/Flash90

Palestinian Islamic Jihad (PIJ) is a designated terrorist organisation. Founded in the early 1980s as an offshoot of the Muslim Brotherhood, it rejects two-state solution and has carried out numerous suicide bombings, shootings, and rocket attacks deliberately targeting Israeli civilians.

Bahij Badr

Leader of a Hamas cell in Beit Liqya responsible for multiple bombings, including the **attacks at Café Hillel** in Jerusalem, a bus stop near Tzrifin, and Har Zion Boulevard in Tel Aviv. Serving 18 life sentences for the murder of 18 Israelis.



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Cafe Hillel attack

The scene of a suicide bombing on September 9, 2003 after a Palestinian suicide bomber blew himself up at the entrance of Cafe Hillel coffee shop in West Jerusalem. At least four people were killed and some 40 people were wounded late Tuesday.



Ibrahim Alikam

Convicted of **murdering Ita Tzur and her son Efraim** in an ambush near Ramallah in 1996. Initially sentenced to life imprisonment, later released, and re-arrested a decade after his first detention.

Efraim was just 12-year-old when he was murdered along with his mother Ita., when a group of Palestinian terrorist ambushed them near Ramallah.

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Jihad Rum

Convicted of **murdering a teenager Yuri Gushchin** from Pisgat Ze'ev neighbourhood of Jerusalem, whom he kidnapped three weeks before his scheduled enlistment in the IDF. Rum was sentenced to life imprisonment plus 20 years.

Yuri Gushchin went missing after leaving home. Police found he had met Palestinian acquaintances in downtown Jerusalem, who lured him to Ramallah under the pretext of a renovation job. He was brutally murdered. His body was discovered with multiple stab and gunshot wounds near the slaughterhouse between El Bireh and Beit El.

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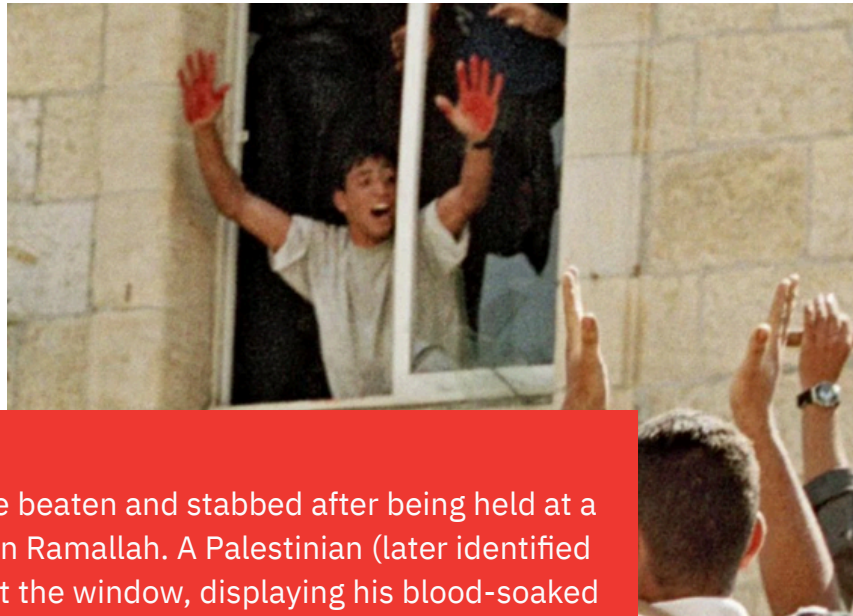
Nabil Abu Hadir

Resident of Shuafat, **murdered his own sister**, whom he accused of collaborating with the Shin Bet. Evaded capture for 17 years, during which he fled to Palestinian Authority territory and worked as a lecturer at Bethlehem University before his arrest and conviction.

Nabil Abu Hadir stabbed his sister 23 times in front of her three children at the central bus station, apparently to “defend his family’s honour.” Judges noted that he carried out the murder in broad daylight, fully aware the children would witness the attack.

Raad Sheikh

Palestinian police officer who took part in the **2000 Ramallah lynching**. He was serving two life sentences.



2000 Ramallah lynching

Two Israeli reservists were beaten and stabbed after being held at a Palestinian Police station in Ramallah. A Palestinian (later identified as Aziz Salha), appeared at the window, displaying his blood-soaked hands to the crowd, which erupted into cheers. The crowd clapped and cheered as one of the soldier's bodies was then thrown out the window and stamped and beaten by the frenzied crowd. One of the two was shot and set on fire, and his head was beaten.

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