

Claim

Claim: "U.S. President-elect Donald Trump said on January 7, 2025 that if Israeli hostages held by Hamas 'are not back by the time I get into office, all hell will break out in the Middle East'."

Actions

`web_search("Donald Trump January 7 2025 Israeli hostages Hamas")`

Evidence

Evidence from `web_search`

On January 7, 2025, NPR reported that President-elect Donald Trump said "all hell will break out" if Hamas does not release hostages by the time he takes office, during a news conference at Mar-a-Lago (



). CNN also reported on January 7, 2025, that Trump warned that if the hostages whom Hamas is still holding in Gaza are not released by his inauguration on January 20, "all hell will break out in the Middle East" ([image:i](#)).

Reuters also published an article on January 7, 2025, referencing Trump's statement and the ongoing conflict between Hamas and Israel, where Hamas is demanding a complete end to the Israeli assault on Gaza in exchange for the release of hostages (



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Elaboration

The evidence confirms that on January 7, 2025, Donald Trump, then President-elect, stated that "all hell will break out in the Middle East" if Hamas did not release the hostages by the time he took office. The reports from NPR and CNN corroborate this statement, and Reuters also referenced Trump's statement in the context of the ongoing conflict.

Final Judgement

The claim is supported by multiple reliable sources, including NPR, CNN, and Reuters, which reported on Donald Trump's statement made on January 7, 2025. These sources confirm that Trump warned of dire consequences if Hamas did not release Israeli hostages by the time he assumed office.

true

Verdict: TRUE

Justification

On January 7, 2025, then President-elect Donald Trump stated that "all hell will break out in the Middle East" if Hamas did not release Israeli hostages by the time he took office, as reported by [NPR](#) and [CNN](#), and referenced by [Reuters](#).