

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 (<https://www.npr.org/2025/01/07/nx-s1-5250278/trump-hostages-israel-hamas-middle-east>) reported that President-elect Donald Trump said "all hell will break out" if Hamas does not release hostages by the time he takes office (



, CNN (<https://www.cnn.com/2025/01/07/politics/trump-warning-gaza-hostages-negotiations-inauguration>) also reported on January 7, 2025, that Trump warned that if hostages are not released by his inauguration on January 20, "all hell will break out in the Middle East" ([image:k](#)).

Reuters (<https://www.reuters.com/world/middle-east/hamas-stands-by-demand-end-gaza->

[war-under-hostage-deal-trump-deadline-approaches-2025-01-07/](https://www.npr.org/2025/01/07/nx-s1-5250278/trump-hostages-israel-hamas-middle-east)) also reported on January 7, 2025, that Trump set a deadline for the hostages' release before his inauguration (



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Elaboration

The claim is supported by the evidence. Multiple news sources, including NPR (<https://www.npr.org/2025/01/07/nx-s1-5250278/trump-hostages-israel-hamas-middle-east>) and CNN (<https://www.cnn.com/2025/01/07/politics/trump-warning-gaza-hostages-negotiations-inauguration>), reported that Donald Trump made this statement on January 7, 2025. Reuters (<https://www.reuters.com/world/middle-east/hamas-stands-by-demand-end-gaza-war-under-hostage-deal-trump-deadline-approaches-2025-01-07/>) also confirms that Trump set a deadline for the hostages' release before his inauguration.

Final Judgement

The claim is supported by multiple reliable sources, including NPR, CNN, and Reuters, which reported that Donald Trump made the statement on January 7, 2025.

true

Verdict: TRUE

Justification

On January 7, 2025, multiple news outlets, including NPR (<https://www.npr.org/2025/01/07/nx-s1-5250278/trump-hostages-israel-hamas-middle-east>), CNN (<https://www.cnn.com/2025/01/07/politics/trump-warning-gaza-hostages-negotiations-inauguration>), and Reuters (<https://www.reuters.com/world/middle-east/hamas-stands-by-demand-end-gaza-war-under-hostage-deal-trump-deadline-approaches-2025-01-07/>),

[demand-end-gaza-war-under-hostage-deal-trump-deadline-approaches-2025-01-07/](#)),
reported that Donald Trump stated that if Israeli hostages held by Hamas were not released
by the time he took office, "all hell will break out in the Middle East."