

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 during a news conference that "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 the same day that Trump warned that if the 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/>) reported on January 7, 2025, that Trump set a deadline for the hostages' release before his inauguration, and that the outgoing U.S. administration views Trump's inauguration as an unofficial deadline (



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Elaboration

The evidence confirms the claim. Multiple news sources, 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/>), reported that on January 7, 2025, 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."

Final Judgement

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

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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/>), 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."