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Iran launches attack on Israel

Tehran warns US as American forces assist in intercepts

By Josef Federman and Jon Gambrell
Associated Press

JERUSALEM — Booms and air raid sirens sounded across Israel early Sunday after Iran launched hundreds of drones, ballistic missiles and cruise missiles in an unprecedented revenge mission that pushed the Middle East closer to a nationwide war.

The attack marked the first time Iran has launched a direct military assault on Israel, despite decades of enmity dating back to the country's 1979 Islamic Revolution. Condemnation from the United Nations chief and others was swift, with France saying Iran "is risking a potential military escalation," Britain calling the attack "reckless" and Germany saying Iran and its proxies "must stop it immediately."

The Israeli military's spokesman, Rear Adm. Daniel Hagari, said Iran fired scores of drones, cruise missiles and ballistic missiles — with the vast majority intercepted outside Israel's borders. He said warplanes

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INSIDE: An Israeli teenager whose disappearance led to riots by Israeli settlers in the West Bank was found dead, threatening to further inflame tensions. **Nation & World**

Pritzker's approach being put to the test

'Pragmatic progressive' has to juggle programs, fiscal responsibility

By Olivia Olander, Dan Petrella and Jeremy Gorner
Chicago Tribune

Shortly after wrapping up an inaugural legislative session in 2019 that included hiking the state's minimum wage, legalizing cannabis and passing a historic \$45 billion statewide construction program supported by expanded gambling and a host of increased taxes and fees, Gov. J.B. Pritzker sought to reassure a group of Chicago business leaders that he wasn't just another tax-and-spend liberal.

Addressing the Executives' Club of Chicago, Pritzker, a billionaire heir to the Hyatt Hotels fortune and a prominent tech investor, said he would pursue a "rational, pragmatic, progressive agenda" that ultimately would pay dividends for the state budget and Illinois' economy.

"I'm a businessman. I'm a progressive. I'm a believer in growing the economy and lifting up people's wages," Pritzker said

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Bears President and CEO Kevin Warren speaks at Halas Hall in 2023. BRIAN CASSELLA/TRIBUNE

INSIDE: Brad Biggs' NFL mock draft 3.0: proposing a trade down for the Bears and GM Ryan Poles. **Chicago Sports**

'Momentum' key in quest by Bears

In push for new lakefront stadium, projects in other NFL cities could prove instructive

By Dan Wiederer, Colleen Kane and Bob McCoppin
Chicago Tribune

The grand presentation is coming soon. The flashy renderings. The attention-grabbing video. The slide presentation to explain the financial dynamics. The Chicago Bears have reached the next step in their ambitious push for a fixed-roof stadium folded within a re-imagined

Museum Campus off the shores of Lake Michigan.

But first, team President and CEO Kevin Warren must sell the Bears' vision in a convincing manner that creates more unity than trepidation. That's among Bears fans, sure. But more so, the pitch must land compellingly with city officials, state legislators, residents of Chicago and Cook County plus the leaders of the Friends of the Parks group.

And it must further the momentum Warren has felt building in recent months.

"With all these projects, that's a great word. They require momentum," Warren said. "They require vision. They require tenacity. They require a lot of thought and planning. But they also require momentum. And I strongly believe we're building momentum to that museum area."

Warren gushes when discussing Chicago and the downtown area specifically. He speaks often about how the majestic archi-

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Lawsuits reveal cries for help amid finding trouble

Dexter Reed was trying to recover from wounds 2 years before fatal police shooting

By Sam Charles | Chicago Tribune

During the last year of his life, Dexter Reed was reaching out for help but still found himself in trouble.

While many questions remain about what happened in the March 21 shootout that left Reed shot dead by Chicago police and an officer shot in the wrist, court records examined by the Tribune show Reed repeatedly sought legal remedies for his financial, medical and psychological struggles after he was wounded in another shooting in August 2021.

"I'm physically disabled and mentally unstable with PTSD, short-term memory loss, slurred speech, drop foot in one of my legs, blindness in one eye, shoulder/arm hard to move, weakness and/or sensitivity," Reed, who was 26 when he was killed last month, wrote in an August 2023 court filing. "With all these medical conditions it has been hard for me to work and/or do certain things."

Above: Porscha Banks, center right, sister of Dexter Reed, holds a sign showing her brother at a rally at the Harrison District police station on Tuesday after the Civilian Office of Police Accountability released body camera video of the fatal shooting of Reed, 26, who was killed March 21 in an "exchange of gunfire" with police officers. **TERRENCE ANTONIO JAMES/CHICAGO TRIBUNE**

The video of Reed's killing by a team of tactical officers drew immediate responses from city leaders last week and provided a vivid reminder that policing in the city remains under a federal consent decree outlining reform.

And while the reasons behind Reed's actions may never be known, the record in his legal claims provide at least a partial window into his self-proclaimed mental state in recent years. While not commenting directly about Reed's recent past, his family last week made statements urging the public and officials to consider the full picture of Reed

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