



Brief Notes

IRGC, Hamas Members Flee Sudan: Hours after Israel struck Hamas leaders in Doha on September 9, members of the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) and Hamas, who were stationed at a military base in the Sudanese city of Omdurman, Khartoum State, [left](#) for Eritrea due to fear of an attack.

Unverified: With Khamenei Out of Sight, Old Guard Jockeys for Power

Take with more than a grain of salt.

Iranian diaspora news outlet IranWire has [interviewed](#) an unnamed Islamic Republic official claiming that officials in Tehran have grown increasingly concerned about Supreme Leader Ali Khamenei's health after a reduction in communication from his office.

The diplomat also told the outlet the vast majority of the Islamic Republic's top officials have been "completely out of touch" with Khamenei.

According to the anonymous source, Secretary of the Supreme National Security Council Ali Larijani and former First Vice President Mohammad Mokhber reportedly maintain the most contact with Khamenei. The anonymous diplomat claims that the two are competing to control the transition period after Khamenei's death.

On the Radar

- Today, the U.S. Department of the Treasury [sanctioned](#) two Sudanese Islamist actors, Gebreil Ibrahim Mohamed Fediel (Gebreil) and the Al-Baraa Bin Malik Brigade (BBMB), for their involvement in Sudan's brutal civil war and their connections to the regime in Iran.
- Supreme Leader-appointed Tehran Friday Prayer Imam Ahmad Khatami today [warned](#) Arab states that they could be attacked by Israel in the near future, citing the recent Israeli strikes on Hamas leaders in Qatar on September 9, describing the move as a "terrorist attack on Doha."

- Pakistan and Iran are [resuming](#) direct flights between Islamabad and Tehran after six decades, with Iran Air Tour set to operate a weekly service.

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