

Middle East Situation

Information Cut-Off: 0700h (BST), 04 April 2026

Executive Summary

Iran fired drones and missiles towards Israel and Gulf countries overnight, injuring four people in Bahrain and damaging the Oracle building in Dubai.

Iran shot down two US aircraft yesterday and damaged two helicopters engaged in search and rescue efforts; one crew member remains missing within Iranian territory.

Iranian state media reported that Iran rejected a US 48-hour ceasefire on Thursday (02 April).

Iran

The Iranian parliamentary speaker has threatened to disrupt the Bab al-Mandeb Strait. In a public statement, the speaker drew attention to the global share of oil, LNG, fertiliser, and food that transits the strait.

Iranian state-aligned media reported yesterday that the US proposed a 48-hour ceasefire on Thursday (02 April), but this was rejected by Iranian officials. US media have claimed that talks have stalled and that Iran has refused to meet US negotiators.

Coalition airstrikes have been reported overnight in Tehran and Karaj.

The head of the World Health Organisation warned yesterday that airstrikes have damaged health facilities in recent days, including the Pasteur Institute.

Israel

Iranian cluster munitions and missiles collapsed a building in Ramat Gan, caused a fire in the Neot Hovav industrial zone, and damaged power lines in Rosh Ha'ayin overnight. Cluster munitions hit several areas of Tel Aviv. Missiles also targeted southern Israel, causing no confirmed damage or injuries. One person has been confirmed injured so far by shattered glass in Bnei Brak amid Iranian air attacks in central areas.

Sirens were triggered in Haifa overnight by suspected Hezbollah rocket fire. No injuries have been confirmed.

United States

US media outlets have confirmed Iran shot down two US aircraft yesterday: an F-15 fighter jet over Iran and an A-10 Thunderbolt over the Strait of Hormuz. During the subsequent search and rescue operation, two Black Hawk helicopters were also struck by fire but managed to return to base. Of the F-15's two-man crew, one has been rescued while the other remains missing.

Regional

UAE

An Iranian drone damaged the Oracle building in Dubai Internet City overnight. Yesterday evening, debris damaged the facade of a building in the Dubai Marina area. No injuries have been reported in either incident.

Local media have confirmed that the earlier attack on the Habshan gas site in Abu Dhabi yesterday killed one person and injured four others.

Bahrain

Debris from an intercepted Iranian drone injured four people in the Sitra area yesterday evening. Sirens have also been triggered this morning, but no further injuries have been reported.

Saudi Arabia

Iranian projectiles triggered sirens in the Eastern Province overnight. No injuries or damage have been reported.

Kuwait

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Lebanon

Israeli airstrikes have been reported in al-Qatrani, Dbeibine (southern Lebanon), southern Beirut, and in the Bekaa Valley overnight. At least two people have been confirmed killed and 15 others injured.

Three UN peacekeepers were injured in southern Lebanon yesterday; the perpetrator has not been confirmed.

Israeli airstrikes damaged two bridges in the Bekaa Valley overnight. Israel has in recent weeks destroyed bridges in southern Lebanon, south of the Litani River. Both areas are Hezbollah hotspots.

Iraq

An airstrike damaged the headquarters of the Popular Mobilisation Forces in Mosul overnight; the group is aligned with Iran.

Syria

Suspected Israeli tank fire has killed one person in Syria's Quneitra province.

Travel

Maritime

A French vessel transited the Strait of Hormuz yesterday, the first Western ship to do so since fighting began.

Advice

- Do not travel to the Middle East.
- Avoid all travel within the region unless safe travel can be guaranteed.
- Shelter in place in a secure location.
- Follow instructions from local authorities and any national embassy guidelines.
- Monitor official updates and ensure phones are set up to receive alerts.
- Avoid any demonstrations or gatherings in the region.
- Globally, reconsider travel to any locations with links to Israel or Judaism.
- If you need further support, or wish to discuss options for evacuation, call NGS.

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