

Israeli Military Chief Tells US to Step Up Planning for Joint Attacks on Iran

IDF Chief of Staff Aviv Kohavi is in Washington for talks with US officials

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The head of the Israeli Defense Forces (IDF) is pressing the US to step up planning for joint attacks against Iran, [The Times of Israel reported on Tuesday](#).

IDF Chief of Staff Aviv Kohavi arrived in the US on Sunday and has been holding talks with high-level officials. So far this week, he has met with Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Gen. Mark Milley, National Security Advisor Jake Sullivan, and CIA Director William Burns.

“During the discussions, it was agreed that we are at a critical point in time that requires the acceleration of operational plans and cooperation against Iran and its terrorist proxies in the region,” Kohavi said.

Tensions are high between the US and Iran as the Biden administration has been increasing sanctions on the Islamic Republic and is voicing support for protesters inside the country. Talks to revive the Iran nuclear deal have been stalled for months, and administration officials have made clear they have no plans to resume them, at least anytime soon.

The US acknowledged in its recently released [Nuclear Posture Review](#) that Iran is not building a nuclear weapon, but Israel continues to hype up the threat of Iran's nuclear program.

“On the one hand, Iran is under many economic, military, and internal pressures, and on the other hand, it continues to promote its nuclear program. The IDF strongly promotes all operational plans against the Iranian threat,” he said.

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