Responsibility Meter Report

Israeli strikes kill Ali Larijani and Basij chief in Iran

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Event harm: 76.6 · Confidence: 68.8

Summary

Iranian state media and international outlets reported that Israeli strikes killed Ali Larijani and Gen. Gholam Reza Soleimani, the commander of the Basij militia, during a new wave of attacks tied to the 2026 Iran war. The incident marks a high-level leadership decapitation strike inside Iran's wartime command environment.

Top actors

1. Israeli wartime leadership | culpability 56.8 | confidence 72.0
2. Israeli strike cell | culpability 52.9 | confidence 76.0
3. Israeli targeting planners | culpability 50.9 | confidence 64.0
4. Israeli public funding base | culpability 11.3 | confidence 63.0

Formulas

eventHarm = (20*severity + 12*scale + 15*irreversibility + 12*targetVulnerability + 15*rightsInvasion + 16*intentionality + 10*duration) / 5

actorResponsibility = (15*authorship + 18*decisionPower + 10*interpretivePower + 12*executionControl + 10*knowledge + 8*foreseeability + 8*discretion + 6*benefit + 8*concealment + 5*repeatSystemRole) / 5

confidence = (25*sourceQuality + 20*evidenceCompleteness + 20*roleCertainty + 20*attributionCertainty + 15*recencyStability) / 5

culpability = actorResponsibility * eventHarm / 100

Sources

• Associated Press: AP report on Iran confirming Ali Larijani was killed in an Israeli strike
• CNBC: CNBC live update on Ali Larijani's death in the Iran war
• The New York Times: New York Times live updates page on the Iran war