

# Ceasefire takes effect to end Gaza war

Israel and Palestinian groups have agreed a 72-hour ceasefire in the Gaza Strip, setting the stage for talks in Cairo aimed at reaching a deal on a lasting truce and the rebuilding of the battered coastal territory



## TIMELINE OF GAZA'S FAILED, FORGOTTEN CEASEFIRES

**Jul 15:** Egypt-mediated ceasefire to end week of conflict accepted by Israel. Palestinian militant group Hamas refuses to stop fighting

**Jul 17:** United Nations-led initiative for five-hour humanitarian ceasefire agreement is successful

**Jul 20:** Fighting resumes in Shejaiya district of Gaza City less than one hour after agreement of humanitarian ceasefire to allow evacuation of wounded

**Jul 25:** U.S. Secretary of State **John Kerry** proposes two-stage plan that includes week-long truce partnered by comprehensive talks. Israel rejects proposal

**Jul 26-28:** Hamas and Israel agree 12-hour humanitarian ceasefire. Israel later extends truce for another day. Both sides resume fighting on afternoon of July 28

**Jul 31:** Three-day truce brokered by UN Secretary-General **Ban Ki-moon** and Kerry lasts just 90 minutes

**Aug 4:** Israel breaks its own seven-hour ceasefire in most of Gaza Strip with air strike on Shati refugee camp in Gaza City

**Aug 5:** Israel and Hamas agree three-day ceasefire as Israeli troops withdraw from Gaza Strip

