

Israel readies for ground offensive



Hundreds of thousands of Israeli troops are massing near the Gaza border, with Israel expected to launch a ground attack on the coastal enclave

GAZA UNDER SIEGE

- More than 1,100 people killed in Israeli air strikes. At least 200,000 people have fled their homes
- Supplies of electricity, fuel, food, water and medicines cut off

Nevatim Airbase:
U.S. delivering resupplies for *Iron Dome* rocket interception system

GAZA STRIP
Pop: 2.23 million

Gaza's sole power plant out of fuel

Access prohibited
Six nautical mile fishing limit

- Urban areas
- Refugee camps
- Hospitals
- Israel-declared buffer zone
- High risk area
- No-go area
- Israeli air base

USS Gerald R. Ford
Aircraft carrier deployed close to Israel

Gaza surrounded by heavily fortified perimeter

Israeli army using ground-based rocket launchers against Gaza for first time since 2006

Israel Defence Forces (IDF): Up to 360,000 reservists mobilised, with at least 35 battalions organised into four divisions

EGYPT

ISRAELI CIVILIANS EVACUATED



5km
3 miles