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NYC Seeing Spike In Hate Crimes — With Nearly 60% Of Acts Targeting Jewish Community Since Hamas Attack On Israel: NYPD

Source: New York Post

(New York) The Big Apple has seen a spike in hate crimes since Hamas' attack on Israel earlier this month — with nearly 60% of the heinous acts targeting the Jewish community, an NYPD official said Tuesday. At least 51 hate crimes have been reported in the city since Oct. 9. "Of those 51 incidents, 30 of them were anti-Jewish. So, that's where our increase over the last period is sitting," Kenny said. During the same period in 2022, only six anti-Jewish incidents were reported, he told reporters. . "Hate crime is still down, but since the incident in Gaza, there's been an uptick." The majority of the recent antisemitic acts have been related to graffiti, criminal mischief and aggravated harassment — "basically almost bordering on

free speech where people are yelling back and forth at each other until it takes a weird turn," Kenny said. A small amount of assaults have been reported, he added.

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Suspect Yells 'Free Palestine' Following Home Invasion Of Studio City Family

Source: Fox 11 - Los Angeles

(California) Officials with the Los Angeles Police Department said they received a call from the homeowner around 5:25 a.m. stating someone was inside their home. The caller added they were locked in a room with

four children after a man broke into their home. A short time later, the caller placed a second 911 call and informed authorities the suspect threatened to kill them because they were Israeli. The victims are Jewish, but it's unclear where they originated from. The LAPD said the family was visibly shaken up, however, there were no physical injuries to the victims. Officials at the scene believed the suspect may have been under the influence of drugs. He was dressed in his undergarments at the time of his arrest. As he was taken into custody, he was heard yelling, "free Palestine," over and over. The name of the suspect has not been released and the investigation is ongoing. The LAPD wants to reassure the Jewish community this was an isolated incident.

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Israel Agrees To U.S. Request To Delay Gaza Invasion-WSJ

Source: Reuters

(Israel) Israel has agreed to delay an expected invasion of Gaza for now so that the United States can rush missile defences to the region to protect U.S. troops there, the Wall Street Journal reported on Wednesday, citing U.S. and Israeli officials. U.S. officials have so far persuaded Israel to hold off until U.S. air-defence systems can be placed in the region, as early as later this week, the WSJ said. Israel is also taking into account in its planning the effort to supply humanitarian aid inside Gaza, as well as diplomatic efforts to free hostages held by Hamas militants, the news report said. Washington was scrambling to deploy nearly a dozen air defence systems, including for its troops serving in Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Syria and the United Arab Emirates, the Journal

said. The U.S. military and other officials believe their forces will be targeted by militant groups once Israel launches its ground invasion of the Hamas-ruled Palestinian territory, according to the report.

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