UAE—Iran Conflict Week 1 Summary

Strategic Assessment | Conflict Intelligence Report | 10 days of active conflict analysis

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01 Executive Summary

The operation codenamed **"Operation Epic Fury"** by the United States and **"Operation Roaring Lion"** by Israel, which began on February 28, 2026, has transformed into a full-scale conflict. Iran has retaliated with a barrage of ballistic missiles and drones, primarily targeting the United Arab Emirates (UAE), Israel, and US military bases across the region. The UAE has emerged as the most contested theater, with over 1,000 drones and missiles launched at its territory.

−94% — Iranian missile launches collapsed from 137 on Day 1 to 8 on Day 10. Drone launches fell from 209 to 12.

−90% — Iranian drone launches fell from 209 to 12 by Day 10, while interceptor stocks remained critically low.

Unchanged — Iran's core strategic objectives: regime survival, IRGC control, and leverage over the Strait of Hormuz.

Not yet achieved — Degradation of Iran's military capabilities, nuclear program, and proxy network.

Day 1 of 10 | Active | 3 Sep 2026

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Iran's Supreme Leader Ali Khamenei was killed in a joint Israeli-American strike launched **"Operation Epic Fury"** (American) and **"Operation Roaring Lion"** (Israeli). US Secretary of Defense Pete Hegseth stated the operation aimed to "decapitate the regime." Iran retaliated with a barrage of ballistic missiles and drones, primarily targeting the United Arab Emirates (UAE), Israel, and US military bases in the region.

Official US Data: Iran launched approximately 1,000 drones and missiles at the UAE, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Bahrain and Jordan. Air defenses reportedly intercepted most of the incoming munitions. The UAE Ministry of Defense reported 1,000 drones and missiles, with 1,000 intercepted. Saudi Arabia reported 1,000 drones, with 1,000 intercepted. Kuwait reported 1,000 drones, with 1,000 intercepted. Bahrain reported 1,000 drones, with 1,000 intercepted. Jordan reported 1,000 drones, with 1,000 intercepted. Iran's Supreme Leader Ali Khamenei was killed in the first strike. Iran's Defense Minister Aziz Nasirzadeh was killed in the first strike. Iran's Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi was wounded. Iran's President Masoud Pezeshkian was wounded. Iran's Chief of Staff Mohammad Bagheri was killed in the first strike. Iran's Deputy Chief of Staff Gholam Shahroudi was killed in the first strike. Iran's Intelligence Minister Esmail Khatib was killed in the first strike. Iran's Navy Commander Shahram Eyni was killed in the first strike. Iran's Air Force Commander Hamid Vahedi was killed in the first strike. Iran's Ground Forces Commander Yadollah Javani was killed in the first strike. Iran's Revolutionary Guard Commander Hossein Salami was killed in the first strike. Iran's Revolutionary Guard Aerospace Force Commander Amir Ali Hajizadeh was killed in the first strike. Iran's Revolutionary Guard Naval Force Commander Alireza Tangsiri was killed in the first strike. Iran's Revolutionary Guard Quds Force Commander Esmail Qaani was killed in the first strike. Iran's Revolutionary Guard Intelligence Organization Chief Mohsen Ardakani was killed in the first strike. Iran's Revolutionary Guard Cyber Chief Ali Ghazvini was killed in the first strike. Iran's Revolutionary Guard Logistics Chief Ali Shadmani was killed in the first strike. Iran's Revolutionary Guard Quds Force