

Israel says Iran ramping up efforts to recruit spies, sow dissent on social media

Iran has been fighting Israel, not only through terror proxies, but also through cyber warfare

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Fox News contributor retired Lt. Gen Keith Kellogg joins 'America Reports' to discuss Israel warning that its war with Hamas could expand into the northern border.

JERUSALEM — As Israel wages a fierce war in Gaza against one of Iran's best trained proxies, Hamas, the Islamic regime in Tehran is ramping up its effort to attack the Jewish State directly via social media platforms such as TikTok, Instagram and Telegram. It's recruiting Israelis of Iranian origin for spying and spreading divisive misinformation, Israel's Security Agency revealed in a statement this week.

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Dr. Yoel Guzansky, a senior fellow at the Institute for National Security Studies at Tel Aviv University, told Fox News Digital Iran's actions since the outbreak of the Gaza war following Hamas' attack "shows that Iran is determined to weaken Israel and uses anything in its power to do so."

Iran has been known to use cyber infiltration methods in the past, including a recent case in which four Jewish women of Iranian descent were recruited and asked to photograph sensitive sites by an Iranian operative in Turkey. Guzansky said, since the start of the current war, "the intensity of the attacks we have seen recently is much higher."

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