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MENA Alert (UPDATE): US President Trump postpones ultimatum to Iran by ten days during the evening hours of March 26; continue to monitor regional developments, take precautions amid continued conflict

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Current Situation:

- During the evening hours of March 26 (Iran time), US President Donald Trump stated that at the request of the Iranian government, he is postponing the ultimatum previously given to Tehran (regarding bombing Iran’s power plants in case it fails to reach a ceasefire) by ten days.
- It now stands on April 6, 20:00 Eastern time (the overnight hours of April 6-7 in Iran).
- President Trump further stated that talks are ongoing “very well.”

Source: [US President Donald Trump](#)

Recommendations:

1. Continue to monitor regional developments and take precautions amid the ongoing conflict.
2. Continue broadly implementing a shelter-in-place procedure in Gulf countries and adhere to authorities' instructions, which may come on extremely short notice.
3. Update and implement business contingency plans (BCPs) and security protocols across the MENA region to ensure business continuity in the event of further escalation, particularly regarding potential attacks on energy facilities in the region.
4. Conduct timely, arena-specific risk assessments.
5. Avoid all travel to military installations in the region, especially those hosting US personnel.
6. Avoid maritime travel through the Arabian/Persian Gulf and the Red Sea (and Gulf of Aden), given the risk of attacks on vessels in these waterways.
7. Avoid disseminating images and footage of interceptions, falling debris, and military assets on social media, as the circulation of such information is often illegal in Gulf states and may lead to prosecution.
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