The headline of the article is charge six leaders of Hamas with the Oct. 7 attack on Israel.

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The central idea of the article is the charged of the leaders of Hamas in the murders of US citizens, created a terrorist organization, violations of the security of the US and huge massacre of Jews.

The article begins with the Justice Department charged six leaders of Hamas with the Oct. 7 attack on Israel for charges including conspiracy to kill U.S. citizens, conspiracy to support a terrorist organization and conspiracy to use bombs and weapons of mass destruction.

The six defendants named in charges unsealed Tuesday include: chief leader and Oct. 7 mastermind Yahya Sinwar, Khaled Meshaal and Ali Baraka; and Ismail Haniyeh, Mohammad Al-Masri, Marwan Issa, all three of whom who have been declared or reported dead.

Attorney General Merrick Garland said the charges are for financing and directing a decades-long campaign to kill Americans and endanger the security of the United States. He said the Oct. 7 rampage was the group's most violent, large-scale terrorist attack, including the murder of entire families and, Garland said, the weaponization of sexual violence against women.

On Oct. 7, Hamas terrorists murdered nearly 1,200 people, including over 40 Americans, and kidnapped hundreds of civilians. They perpetrated the deadliest massacre of Jews since the Holocaust.

In conclusion the charges were filed Feb. 1 and kept under seal to allow the U.S. to potentially take Haniyeh and other leaders into custody. After his death and other developments in the region, it was no longer necessary to keep those charges under seal. More than [40,000 people have died](https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/world/2024/08/15/israel-gaza-war-cease-fire/74820667007/) in Israeli bombings and fire in Gaza since Oct. 7, according to the territory's Hamas-run health ministry. Cease-fire talks [to stop the 10-month war](https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/world/israel-hamas/2024/08/18/israel-war-updates-netanyahu-ceasefire/74849579007/) and return the surviving hostages continue, brokered by the U.S., Qatar and Egypt.

In my opinion, this problem is massive for US and Israeli citizens. It needs to be resolved and no more murders should be allowed.