**Attempted Stabbing Attack Foiled in West Bank**

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A stabbing attack on an IDF soldier was foiled by troops in the southern West Bank on Thursday evening, the army said.

The attempted attack took place at a junction on Route 60 near the Fawwar refugee camp near Hebron in the West Bank.

There were no injuries and the would-be attacker was apprehended by troops.

The incident took place as IDF troops have increased their presence in the northern West Bank near Nablus following a deadly stabbing attack which occurred outside the city of Ariel.

Following an evaluation of the situation by the Central Command of the recent attacks and large-scale riots, troops will be deployed to operate in various hot spots.

Hamas’s branch in Nablus called to for a mass march in the city after prayers leaving from the el-Nasser Mosque.

“Your presence is support for the option of resistance and a victory for the blood of our martyrs and prisoners,” read a flyer posted on social media.

Israeli soldiers on Tuesday killed Ahmad Nasser Jarrar, a central operative in a terror cell that claimed the life of Rabbi Raziel Shevach in early January.

On Tuesday night Khaled Tayeh died in clashes with IDF troops during a manhunt for Abed al-Karim Adel Assi who stabbed Rabbi Itamar Ben-Gal to death on Monday at the Ariel Junction.