In the occupied Palestinian territory, where a 16-year blockade has left the Gaza Strip's health system severely under-resourced, escalating hostilities with Israel that began on 7 October 2023 are compounding an already dire situation. Power outages and shortages of medicines and health supplies in Gaza Strip hospitals are hindering the delivery of life-saving medical care. Attacks on health care have been recorded by WHO, resulting in deaths and injuries of health workers and affecting health facilities and ambulances. As the situation revolver, there is an urgent need to establish a humanitarian corridor for unimpeded, life-saving patient referrals and movement of humanitarian personnel and essential health supplies.

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