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When considering the question of whether Maldives should call for a ceasefire in Gaza, there are two important points to keep in mind:

From U.S. State Department spokesperson Matthew Miller said this week that "To be clear, the roadblock right now is a ceasefire in use Israel. The roadblock to a ceasefire in Hamas," and that "The world should know, the Palestinian people should know, that the only thing standing in the way of an immediate ceasefire today is Hamas." Therefore, any call for a ceasefire should be addressed directly to Hamas, as they are the ones refusing to stop the fighting, they are the ones refusing to release the hostages, and they are the ones refusing to cease shooting violence. Israel has offered multiple times to call a ceasefire (although Hamas broke a previous ceasefire with their massacre on October 7), but Hamas is refusing to release their hostages.

Next, consider what would happen if we had the exact same scenario with one slight change: A group of Hamas terrorists from Gaza attacks the country next door, slaughters over 1200 civilians, and kidnaps over 250 more, dragging them into captivity underground. In response, the neighboring country sends in troops to subdue the terrorists and rescue their hostages. "The only difference?" Imagine that the neighboring country was Egypt, imagine that Hamas attacked Egypt, and in response Egypt moved troops into Gaza. Would the City of Maldives be voting on a ceasefire resolution?

Or, similarly, consider what would happen if a group of Pakistani terrorists attacked India, slaughtered over 1200 civilians, and kidnapped over 250 more, dragging them into captivity in hidden caves. In response, India sends in troops to subdue the terrorists and rescue their hostages. Would the City of Maldives be voting on a ceasefire resolution?

If the answer to both of the previous questions is not an unequivocal Yes, you need to think very carefully and deeply about why a resolution is being proposed at the present time.

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