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## **New Stabbing Hits Jerusalem as Israel Reels from Violence**

A Palestinian stabbed a Jewish man in Jerusalem on Thursday in the latest in a spate of knife attacks, defying Israeli attempts to contain escalating violence. According to AFP, the 19-year-old suspect, said to be from Shuafat refugee camp in east Jerusalem, later assaulted a tramway guard and tried to take his gun before fleeing. "He was arrested by police special forces who were in the area," police spokeswoman Luba Samri said. At least four knife attacks have occurred in Jerusalem and six overall since Saturday, when a Palestinian killed two Israelis in the Old City, helping prompt an Israeli security crackdown. Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said on Wednesday after visiting a Jerusalem police headquarters, "Israeli civilians are at the forefront of a war against terrorism and must also be on maximum alert."