

Cuba Sends Six-ton Medical Aid Shipment to Gaza



Cairo, September 12 (RHC) -- Cuba has sent six tons of humanitarian aid to the Palestinians in the Gaza Strip, following Israel's latest devastating military offensive there.

The humanitarian aid, including medication, were delivered Wednesday by the charge d'affaires of the Cuban embassy in Cairo, Alexander Pellicer, to the first counselor of the Palestinian embassy, Basheer Abu Hatab, and to officials of the Egyptian Red Crescent.

Abu Hatab thanked "Cuba's noble gesture," saying it will "relieve the difficult situation in Gaza caused by the shortage of medicines and other medical supplies" at hospitals, many of which were bombarded by the Israeli military.

Cuba also said it was willing to treat Palestinians injured during the air, sea and land strikes.

The nearly two-month-long Israeli offensive, which started on July 8 and ended on August 26th, killed more than 2,000 Palestinians, mostly civilians. There were more than 70 casualties on the Israeli side, including 66 soldiers, according to the United Nations.

Also on Thursday, Prensa Latina news agency reported that Palestinian and Israeli delegations will be

resuming indirect talks in Egypt's capital Cairo in mid-September to negotiate an end to hostilities.

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