

# *Biden supports Israeli claim that Hamas uses hospitals as military bases, refusing to cite evidence*

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Washington, November 16 (RHC)-- U.S. President Joe Biden has repeated Israeli claims about Hamas using hospitals as military bases. Biden spoke to reporters from California Wednesday evening after wrapping the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation summit in San Francisco.

Joe Biden said: "You have a circumstance where the first war crime is being committed by Hamas by having their headquarters, their military hidden under a hospital. And that's a fact. That's what's happened."

Biden provided no evidence for the claim. Asked if he could comment further, the U.S. president said: "No. Thank you."



Israel's military has displayed images of weapons they claim were found inside the hospital, but Hamas has dismissed the photos as propaganda, saying Israeli soldiers planted them there when they raided the hospital.

On Wednesday, the Israel Defense Forces published video showing what they claimed were "Hamas grab bags" of rifles and grenades stashed inside the hospital. Doctors at Al-Shifa have repeatedly denied such claims.

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