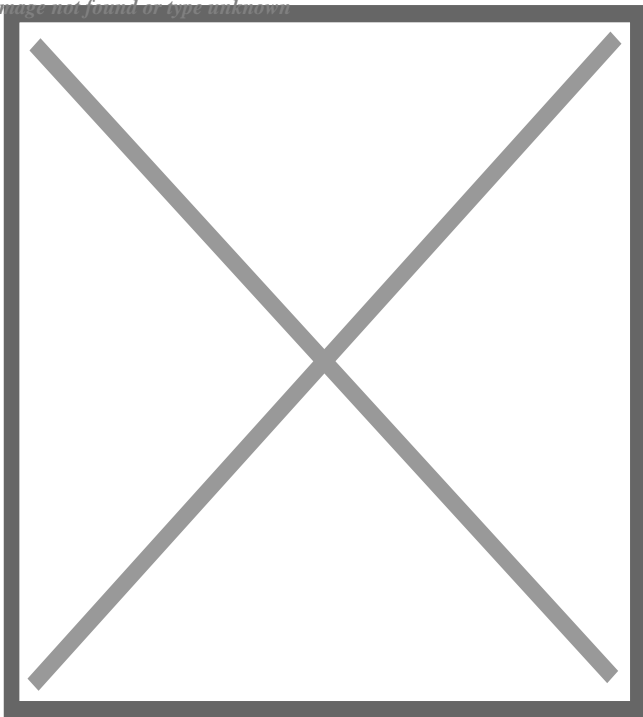


Renowned Norwegian doctor says Israeli attacks on children designed to quash resistance

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Johannesburg, November 23 (RHC)-- Mads Gilbert is on a tour in South Africa to raise public awareness of the plight of the Palestinian people. He says he should be in Gaza saving lives but the occupying regime has imposed a ten year ban preventing him from entering the strip.

However, Dr. Mads Gilbert, a renowned anesthesiologist, is bent on doing his best to help the Palestinians. He has set out to focus on the plight of the Palestinian people and the heroic efforts by medics to save lives.

Dr. Gilbert is head of the emergency medicine department at the University Hospital of North Norway as well as Professor of emergency medicine at the University of Tromsø.

Dr. Gilbert has worked in Palestine and Lebanon for over 40 years. Having witnessed the attacks Israel carries out, he is adamant that Israel deliberately attacks children in the strip. But this is what man made

injury, and manmade pain, and manmade evil, looks like.

Mads Gilbert said: "When you shoot off the legs of a whole young population, you shoot off the arms; you do it for one reason. Not to defend yourself, but to tell the occupied this is what's going to happen to you if you pick up anything to try to confront us, a stone, a tyre, a gun, whatever. We will do this to you."

Israeli forces raided the Al Shifa Hospital in Gaza City, the largest medical complex in the strip, where thousands of displaced people, doctors and patients had taken shelter. Dr. Gilbert said that the assault on the medical facilities is therefore very much part of the sinister plot to eliminate Palestinian resistance.

The renowned anesthesiologist noted that the Palestinian people "have been strangled for 16 years, they been denied supplies, spare parts, new instruments, trolleys, just to repair what they have. The Zionists do not want the Palestinians to have anything close to a good life."

Joining doctors and medical workers in South Africa, Dr. Gilbert noted that Israel's war crimes on hospitals will continue, especially because of the impunity under which it acts with full the support and backing of the West.

Outside the world famous Red Cross Children's Hospital, Dr. Gilbert handed out roses in memory of Palestinian children massacred by Israel. While he is barred by the Zionist regime from saving lives in Gaza, he's trying to spread the message of resistance thousands of kilometers away at the tip of Africa.

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