

Surgeon injured after being shot inside northern Gaza hospital

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Gaza City, December 12 (RHC)-- A surgeon with Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF), or Doctors Without Borders, was injured inside Al Awda Hospital in north Gaza by a shot fired from outside the facility on Monday, the organization said.

"Our colleagues report snipers surrounding the hospital, firing on those inside," MSF said. Renzo Fricke, MSF's head of mission, added in a statement, that "reports coming out of Al-Awda hospital are harrowing

and we are gravely worried for safety of patients and staff inside.”

He said Al Awda is a functioning hospital “with medical staff and many patients in vulnerable condition.” He called any targeting of medical workers “utterly reprehensible, utterly inhumane.” SF said two of its doctors have been among five health workers killed at Al Awda Hospital since October 7th.

“The hospital building has also sustained substantial damage in the bombing and fighting, along many other hospitals in the north of the Strip, and supplies are running low, further compromising the doctors' capacity to treat patients,” Fricke said.

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