

Qatar and France broker deal for Gaza aid, medicine for remaining hostages



Paris, January 17 (RHC)-- Qatar and France have brokered a deal for medicine to enter Gaza for the remaining Israeli hostages in exchange for aid for Palestinians. This comes amid a worsening humanitarian catastrophe as a U.N. rights expert asserted "every single person in Gaza is hungry." The

death toll is quickly approaching 25,000.

In other news, Saudi Arabia's foreign minister said Tuesday his country could recognize Israel if the conflict is resolved and includes Palestinian statehood.

Meanwhile, Israel's deadly attacks in the occupied West Bank continue, with at least seven Palestinians killed over the past day.

On Tuesday, mourners attended the funeral of 21-year-old Ahd Muhammed in Dura, near the West Bank city of Hebron, after she was killed during an Israeli raid Monday. Her sister, Sumoud Muhammed, told journalists: "Ahd was martyred here on the rooftop of her parents-in-law's house, where there was supposed to be a wedding next Friday. In our tradition, people come to arrange things for the bride. This is why Ahd was here. ... Ahd has a 6-month-old daughter. Her name is Aylul. She left Aylul behind. She left her to be a daughter of a martyr with no memories with her mother, because they didn't have the chance to make memories together."

The Palestinian Health Ministry says Israeli forces have killed some 350 West Bank Palestinians since October 7th. In addition, at least 94 houses have been destroyed across the occupied territory, displacing 602 Palestinians, including 263 children, since October 7, according to the United Nations.

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