

New York Times confirms Hamas rape story was false

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The site of a music festival near the border with Gaza Strip in southern Israel, on Thursday, October 12, 2023. (Photo by AP)

New York, March 27 (RHC)-- A New York Times report has confirmed that its report claiming that Hamas resistance fighters have sexually assaulted Israeli women was false. One of the key witnesses who was interviewed by the author of the report, Jeffrey Gettleman, regarding Hamas's sexual violence of women, "falsely claimed to have seen evidence that two females suffered sexual violence at Kibbutz Be'eri on October 7th."

"New video has surfaced that undercuts the account of an Israeli military paramedic who said two teenagers killed in the Hamas [operation] on October 7th were sexually assaulted," read the New York Times report published on Monday.

"Kibbutz residents concluded that two sisters killed on October 7th were not victims of sexual violence."

"He (Israeli paramedic) said he discovered the bodies of two partially clothed teenage girls in a home in Kibbutz Be'eri that bore signs of sexual violence," the Times further said.

Nili Bar Sinai, a member of a group from the kibbutz that looked into claims of sexual assault at the house, said, "This story is false." "Until recently, we all thought it was true," said Amit Solvy, a neighbor.

In an investigation report published on December 28, 2023, the Times claimed that Hamas sexually-abused and raped women present at an outdoor music festival in southern Israel.

Hamas has continuously rejected the claims that its members engaged in sexual violence and rape during its Operation Al-Aqsa Storm. In another Gaza horror, it was revealed on Sunday that a Palestinian woman was raped for hours before she was killed when Israeli forces stormed the al-Shifa hospital in Gaza City last week.

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