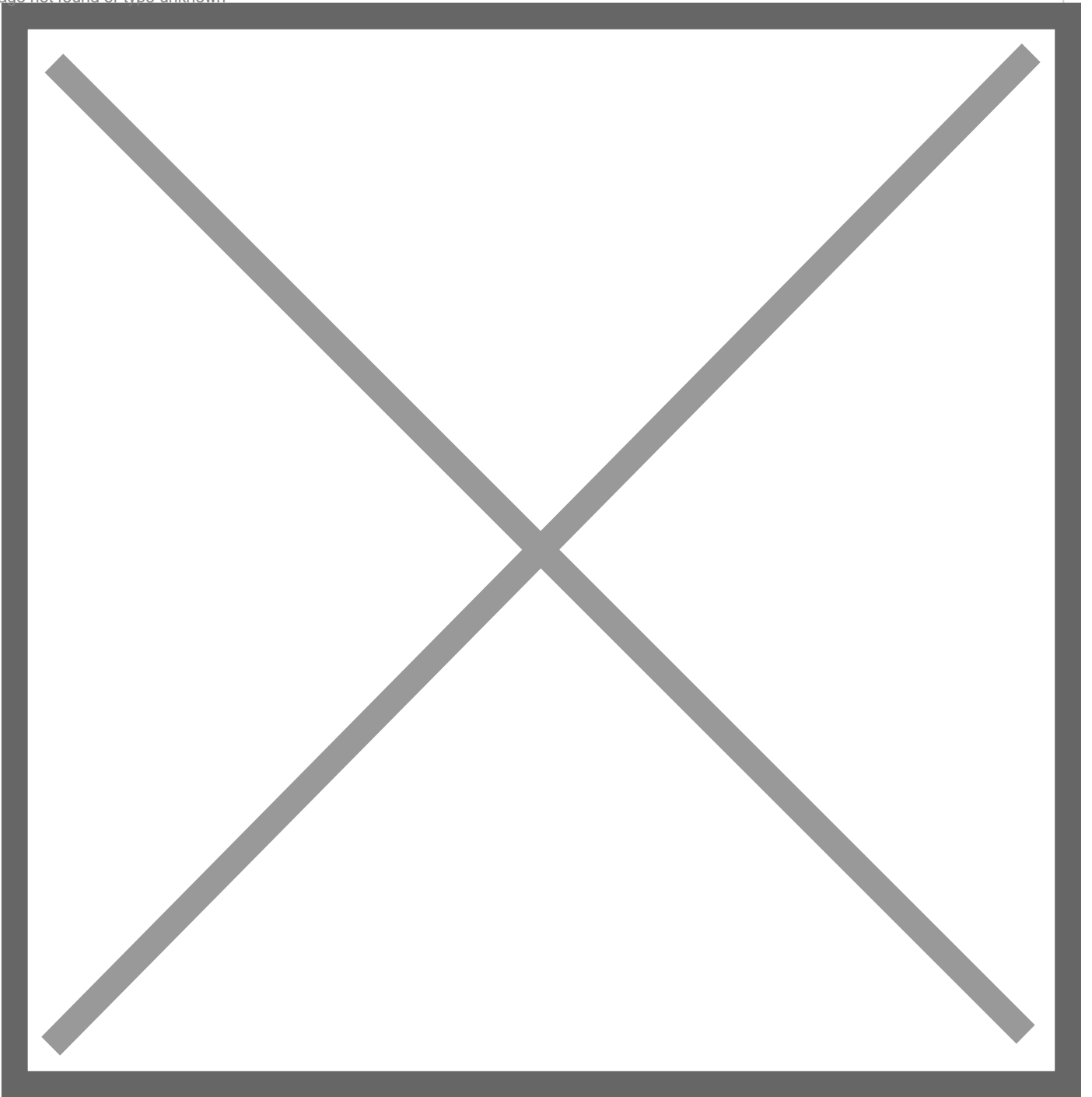


*U.S. Army officer resigns in  
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Washington, May 13 (RHC)-- A U.S. Army officer assigned to the Defense Intelligence Agency has resigned in protest over the U.S. support for Israel, which, he said had “enabled and empowered” the killing of Palestinian civilians.

Major Harrison Mann announced his resignation and explained his reasons for leaving the service in a post on LinkedIn on Monday.

"The past months have presented us with the most horrific and heartbreaking images imaginable — sometimes playing on the news in our own spaces — and I have been unable to ignore the connection between those images and my duties here. This caused me incredible shame and guilt," Major Harrison Mann wrote in the post.

Harrison Mann, who says he is a descendant of European Jews, wrote that the U.S. "nearly unqualified support for the government of Israel ... has enabled and empowered the killing and starvation of tens of thousands of innocent Palestinians."

"As we were recently reminded, this unconditional support also encourages reckless escalation that risks wider war."

The Biden administration faces growing internal dissent against its policies in the Middle East, most recently marked by the resignation of US Department of State Arabic language spokeswoman, Hala Rharrit.

Rharrit is the first career diplomat to resign publicly, protesting the government's response to Israel's war on Gaza.

Josh Paul is the highest-ranking Biden administration official to resign over its approach to the war in Gaza, and Tariq Habash, a policy adviser at the US Department of Education, also resigned from his post in recent weeks.

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