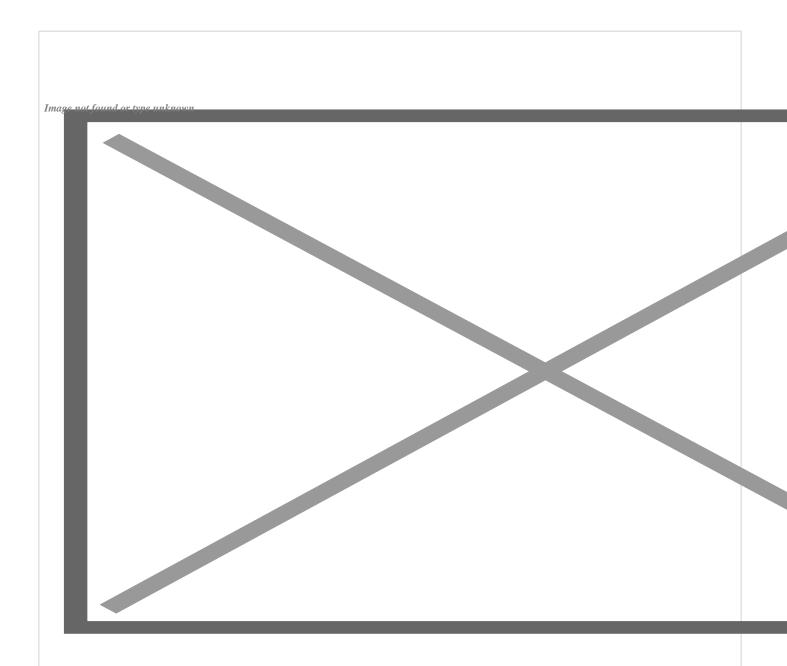
Israel continues to spread lies about al-Mawasi carnage to divert public attention



Palestinians surround the corpse of a child in front of the morgue of the Nasser hospital in Khan Yunis on July 13, 2024, one of the health establishments to which casualties were rushed after a

Gaza City, July 15 (RHC)-- The Gaza government says Israel is spreading "fake news, lies and rumors" about its recent massacre at the al-Mawasi refugee camp in southern Gaza in a bid to divert public attention from its crimes against Palestinians in the besieged territory.

The government media office in the Gaza Strip made the announcement on Saturday after at least 90 people were killed and almost 300 others were injured in an Israeli aerial assault on the densely-populated camp near the southern Gaza city of Khan Yunis.

The office said in a statement that Israel has repeatedly used the policy of "media deception" during its genocidal war on Gaza seeking to "cover up its failures and crimes against civilians and the displaced, especially among children and women."

The occupying regime is "spreading fake news, rumors, and lies in an attempt to divert attention from its ongoing crimes against our Palestinian people," it added.

The media office also held Israel and its staunch ally, the United States, "fully responsible for the continuation of these horrific massacres of civilians" and for spreading "fabricated and untrue narratives."

It further called on the United Nations, international groups, and all countries of the world to pressure Tel Aviv and Washington to stop their bloodshed in the Gaza Strip.

'The Israeli military claimed that the target of its deadly strike was Mohammed Deif, the head of the armed wing of the Palestinian Hamas resistance group. However, Hamas said Israel makes such false claims to justify killing Palestinian people.

World leaders condemned the Israeli carnage at the al-Mawasi camp, which was previously designated as a humanitarian safe zone.

UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres said in a statement via his spokesperson Stephane Dujarric that he was "shocked and saddened" by the Israeli air raid. "This [attack] underscores that nowhere is safe in Gaza," the statement read. "The Secretary-General condemns the killing of civilians, including women and children."

Israel unleashed its brutal Gaza onslaught on October 7, 2023, after Hamas carried out its historic operation against the usurping entity in retaliation for the regime's intensified atrocities against the Palestinian people.

According to the Gaza Health Ministry, the Tel Aviv regime has so far killed at least 38,443 Palestinians, mostly women, and children, in Gaza, and injured 88,481 others.

Recently, The Lancet, a leading general medical journal, estimated that the death toll from the Israeli aggression could be 186,000 or even more as many Palestinians have succumbed to the indirect impacts of the Gaza war.

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