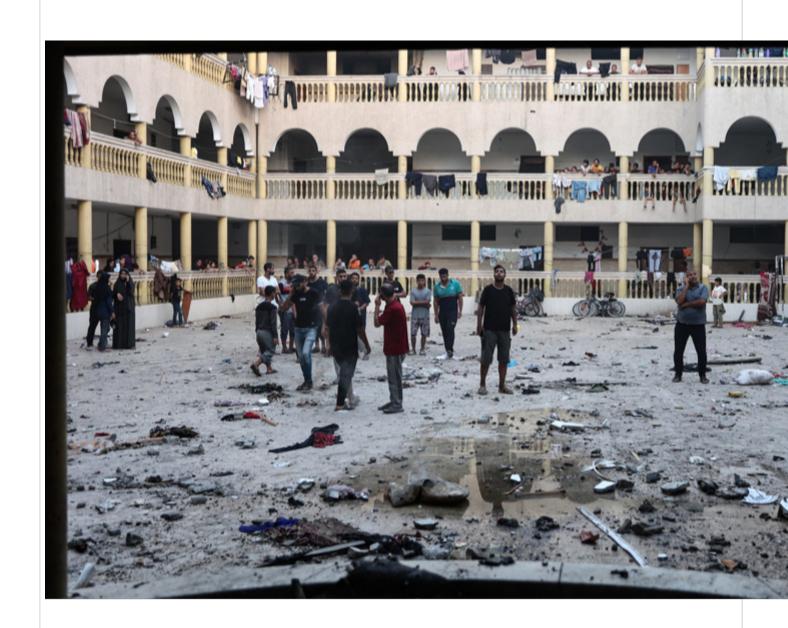
Hamas calls for urgent UN Security Council meeting after Israeli massacre in school



United Nations, August 10 (RHC)-- The deputy chief of the Palestinian resistance movement Hamas has censured the Israeli bombing of a school sheltering displaced Palestinians in the Gaza Strip.

In an interview with Al Jazeera Arabic on Saturday, Khalil al-Hayya also called on the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) to hold an emergency meeting to stop the regime's massacres of defenseless Palestinians.

Earlier in the day, Israel bombed the al-Tabi'in school in the al-Daraj neighborhood east of Gaza City, leaving more than a hundred people dead and many more injured. Hayya went on to say that this crime is a confirmation of the occupying regime's approach to continue the genocidal war against Palestinians, stressing that it was committed with the green light of the United States.

He also noted that the Israeli regime is unable to deal with the resistance, arguing that for this reason, it is venting its anger on innocent civilians.

The Hamas official further called on Arab and Islamic countries, as well as the international community, "to fulfill their responsibilities and take urgent action to stop these massacres against Palestinians." He also stated that the resistance is carrying out its duty to defend its people by all means, emphasizing that the Arab and Islamic countries should hold the occupying regime accountable.

Israel bombed the al-Tabi'in school as the citizens were performing the dawn prayer. Local media reports, citing witness accounts, said there were about 250 people inside the prayer hall at the school when it was struck by Israeli bombs while displaced people were performing the dawn prayer.

Witness accounts suggest many of the dead and injured are civilians, including women, children and the elderly. The Israeli military confirmed the attack in a statement, claiming that the school "served as a hideout for Hamas commanders."

The Government Media Office in the Gaza Strip has already called on the world to condemn the crime and hold the occupying regime and the US administration fully responsible for the deadly bombing.

Israel unleashed its brutal war on Gaza on October 7 last year after Hamas carried out a historic operation against the usurping entity in retaliation for its intensified atrocities against the Palestinian people.

Nearly 40,000 Palestinians have since been killed, most of them women and children, and upwards of 91,000 others injured in the merciless Israeli aggression. More than 1.7 million people have been internally displaced as well.

The Tel Aviv regime has also imposed a "complete siege" on the territory, cutting off fuel, electricity, food and water to the more than two million Palestinians living there.

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