

Iran calls on UN Security Council to condemn Israeli war crimes



Photo taken at the Jabalia refugee camp in northern Gaza on October 9, 2024, shows the extent

of the destruction that has been left by Israeli airstrikes against the area. (Photo by AFP)

United Nations, October 11 (RHC)-- Iran's representative to the United Nations has criticized the Security Council for failing to hold Israel and its allies accountable for the crimes they commit against civilians in Lebanon and Gaza. During an emergency Security Council meeting on Lebanon on Thursday, Amir Saeed Iravani said Israel has crossed every red line and flagrantly violated international law.

“The deliberate targeting of civilians and the destruction of civilian infrastructure is far more than a violation of international law; it is a flagrant war crime, a crime against humanity, and genocide,” he said. “It has destroyed vital infrastructure, slaughtered innocent civilians, and driven Lebanon further into an escalating humanitarian catastrophe. The regime has crossed every red line, showing complete disregard for international law,” he stated.

Iran's UN representative condemned Israel's deliberate attacks on Lebanese civilians and infrastructure, stating that these actions have driven the country into an escalating humanitarian catastrophe. Iravani described Lebanon's people as victims of Israel's systematic campaign of terror aimed at crippling the nation.

He warned that the regime's actions pose a serious threat to international peace and risk igniting a full-scale regional war.

Ambassador Amir Saeed Iravani further stated that Israel assassinated resistance leaders to derail efforts toward a ceasefire. “We extend our deepest sympathy and unwavering solidarity to the government and people of Lebanon who are enduring relentless acts of aggression and war crimes, by the most notorious terrorist regime in the world,” Iravani said.

“The Islamic Republic of Iran stands firmly with Lebanon, fully committed to supporting its government, people, and resistance,” he stated. He slammed the regime's allies, particularly the United States, for not only shielding Israel from accountability but also normalizing its atrocities.

“We strongly condemn the continued complicity of the United States, the United Kingdom, and certain Western states in enabling Israel's systematic war crimes and genocidal war against the people of Palestine and Lebanon through the provision of advanced weaponry,” he said. Iran's envoy to the UN called on the Council to hold Israel accountable for its war crimes against the people of Lebanon and Palestine.

“After over a year of Israel's genocidal war in Gaza, where more than two hundred thousand people have been killed, injured, or left buried under the rubble, this terrorist regime has now waged a genocidal war, against Lebanon, echoing its brutal campaign against the Palestinian people in Gaza,” he said.

Lebanon's Health Ministry said that more than 2,141 people have been killed and 10,099 injured in Israel's attack on Lebanon, including dozens of children and scores of women, since October 2023.

Hundreds of thousands of civilians have fled their homes in Beirut to escape the Israeli air raid. In Gaza, Israel's war has killed more than 42,000 people and wounded at least 97,590 others, most of them women and children. Most of Gaza's 2.3 million people have since been displaced and humanitarian conditions have deteriorated sharply.

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