## Biden: Netanyahu used U.S. bombing of Berlin as justification for Gaza genocide



Aftermath of the Allied bombing of Dresden, Germany, 1945.

Washington, January 18 (RHC)-- Outgoing U.S. President Joe Biden has claimed that Benjamin Netanyahu used the American bombing of civilians in Germany during WWII, as well as the nuclear attacks on Japan in 1945, as justification for the carpet bombing of civilians in Gaza.

In an interview with MSNBC on Thursday night, Biden recalled a conversation he purportedly had with Netanyahu during the first weeks of the Israeli genocide in Gaza.

According to Biden, when he confronted Netanyahu on the issue of bombing civilian areas, the Israeli prime minister pointed out that the Americans also used carpet bombings against Berlin, as well as nuclear attacks on Nagasaki and Hiroshima. Biden said that Netanyahu responded to his concerns by saying: "You killed thousands of innocent civilians because you had to in order to win the war."

This was not the first time the massacres against civilians in the Second World War were used to justify Israeli atrocities in Palestine. Back in December 2023, pro-Israel American Senator Lindsey Graham also responded to criticisms of Israel's killing of Palestinian civilians by saying "Did the American people worry about how many people were dying to destroy Tokyo or Berlin?"

During World War II, Allied air forces, primarily those of the United States and the UK killed millions of German and Japanese civilians through bombing raids of civilian areas.

Apart from the nuclear attacks on Hiroshima and Nagasaki, the deadliest Allied air raids against civilians were the March 10th, 1945 bombing of Tokyo which left one hundred thousand people dead, and the bombing of Dresden with a death toll of around 200,000, according to some estimates.

Many of the Allied bombing raids were done with incendiary bombs designed specifically to maximize destruction and civilian deaths. Despite this, no Allied commanders were ever prosecuted for these crimes.

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