

First aid trucks enter Gaza after ceasefire begins



Aid trucks waiting on the Rafah border crossing between Egypt and the Gaza Strip, Palestine on January 19, 2025. (Photo by Reuters)

Rafah, January 19 (RHC)-- The first humanitarian aid trucks entered Gaza from Egypt on Sunday as the Israel-Hamas ceasefire started taking effect, Palestinian sources confirmed. The 42-day first stage of the

ceasefire deal, reached on Wednesday through the mediation of Egypt, Qatar, and the United States, started taking effect on Sunday.

UNRWA, the UN agency for Palestinian refugees, says it has 4,000 truckloads of humanitarian aid ready to enter the war-torn land. UNRWA has 4,000 truckloads of aid ready to enter #Gaza — half of them carry food and flour.

In a statement on X, UNRWA said half of them carry food and flour to Gaza. Media sources said the first humanitarian aid entered the coastal enclave through the border crossing of Kerem Shalom in the south of Gaza.

Based on the ceasefire agreement, about 600 trucks loaded with humanitarian aid, including 50 fuel trucks, would enter Gaza each day.

Earlier on Sunday, the Egyptian state-run Nile TV showed footage of dozens of aid trucks crossing the Egyptian side of Rafah crossing to be inspected by Israeli forces before crossing the Palestinian side to enter Gaza.

Monitoring teams from Egypt, Qatar and the United States, in addition to others from Palestine as well as the Israeli regime, were in Cairo on Sunday to monitor the implementation of the Israel-Hamas ceasefire agreement.

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