

# *Guterres strongly condemns Israeli attack on UN facility in Gaza*

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Body of a murdered foreign UN worker being transported to the Al-Aqsa Martyrs Hospital

United Nations, March 20 (RHC)-- UN Secretary General Antonio Guterres has strongly condemned an Israeli attack on a UN facility in Gaza that killed one UN worker and critically injured five others.

The UN spokesman for the UN chief on Thursday called for a full investigation into the attack. "The locations of all UN premises are known to the parties to the conflict, who are bound by international law to protect them and maintain their absolute inviolability," Guterres' spokesperson said in a statement.

UN aid chief Tom Fletcher also condemned the strike, calling it infuriating and demanding answers. He said Israel targeted a designated UN compound in Gaza.

The attack on the UN headquarters in Deir al-Balah took place on Wednesday. A Bulgarian aid worker was killed and 5 other UN aid workers, including a UK national, were also wounded in the strike.

The Bulgarian aid worker has become the 280th UN worker to be killed by Israeli forces in the genocide against the people of Gaza. He is also one of the many foreign aid workers to be killed by Israeli forces since October 7, 2023.

Earlier in the war, Israeli forces attacked a vehicle belonging to the World Central Kitchen which killed 7 aid workers, including 3 UK nationals, 1 Polish national, 1 American, 1 Australian and 1 Palestinian.

The attack happened even though the World Central Kitchen had coordinated the movement of their vehicles with Israeli authorities. Israeli forces also killed an American activist, Ay?enur Eygi, in September 2024 while she was protesting in the West Bank against the genocide of Palestinians.

The attack on the UN compound also happened 4 days after the 22nd anniversary of the murder of Rachel Corrie, an American peace activist who was crushed to death by an Israeli bulldozer as she was calling for the home of a Palestinian family not to be demolished.

Although Israel has killed many American citizens ever since its inception in 1948, the United States still provides full political, economic and military support to the Zionist regime.

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