## Colombia's president slams Israeli bloody genocide in Gaza, draws parallel to Christ's Passion



In this file photo, Hossam Abu Safiya, the director of the Kamal Adwan Hospital who has since been abducted, supervises the treatment of a Palestinian man injured in an Israeli strike. (Photo

Bogota, April 20 (RHC)-- Colombian President Gustavo Petro has slammed the Israeli regime's "bloody genocide" in Gaza, drawing a parallel between the plights of Palestinians and Jesus Christ's suffering.

"At the moment of the Passion and death of Jesus, let us reflect on the Palestinian people, from where he came, now under a bloody genocide," Petro wrote in a post on X on Friday. Petro made this statement during the Christian observance of Holy Week, which further intensified its symbolic weight.

The Colombian leader has been an outspoken critic of Israel's genocidal campaign in Gaza, and has repeatedly criticized the Zionist regime for its war crimes in Gaza, where over 51,000 Palestinians have been killed.

He was responding to a post about Dr. Hossam Abu Safiya, a prominent Palestinian physician who is in critical condition while in Israeli detention after being tortured.

Dr. Abu Safiya is the director of Kamal Adwan Hospital in northern Gaza who earlier this year was abducted by the Israeli regime. According to Dr. Abu Safiya's lawyer, Gheed Qassem, after being abducted, he spent two weeks in the Sde Teiman military base. He then was transferred to Ofer detention camp, where the regime keeps hundreds of Palestinian abductees.

"He is suffering greatly, he is exhausted from the torture, the pressure and the humiliation he has endured to force him to confess to acts he did not commit," said Qassem.

A social media campaign under the hashtag #FreeDrHussamAbuSafiya has brought together healthcare organizations, celebrities and UN leaders.

The campaign includes the director of the World Health Organization, Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, who has demanded Dr. Abu Safiya's immediate release.

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