

Israeli Navy Fires on Boats, Kills Palestinian Fisherman



Tel Aviv, March 9 (RHC)-- The Israeli Navy has killed a Palestinian fisherman after opening fire on boats off the coast of Gaza. The Israeli military said the boats strayed outside the boundaries of the naval blockade and failed to heed calls to halt.

The shooting of the Gaza fisherman comes amid heightened tensions after Palestinian leaders in the West Bank vowed to halt security coordination with Israel due to Israel's withholding of tax revenue.

Israel has withheld \$127 million in taxes — about two-thirds of the Palestinian budget — in protest of Palestinian moves to join the International Criminal Court.

Meanwhile in Tel Aviv, tens of thousands rallied against Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and his far-right Likud Party ahead of his re-election bid on March 17th.

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