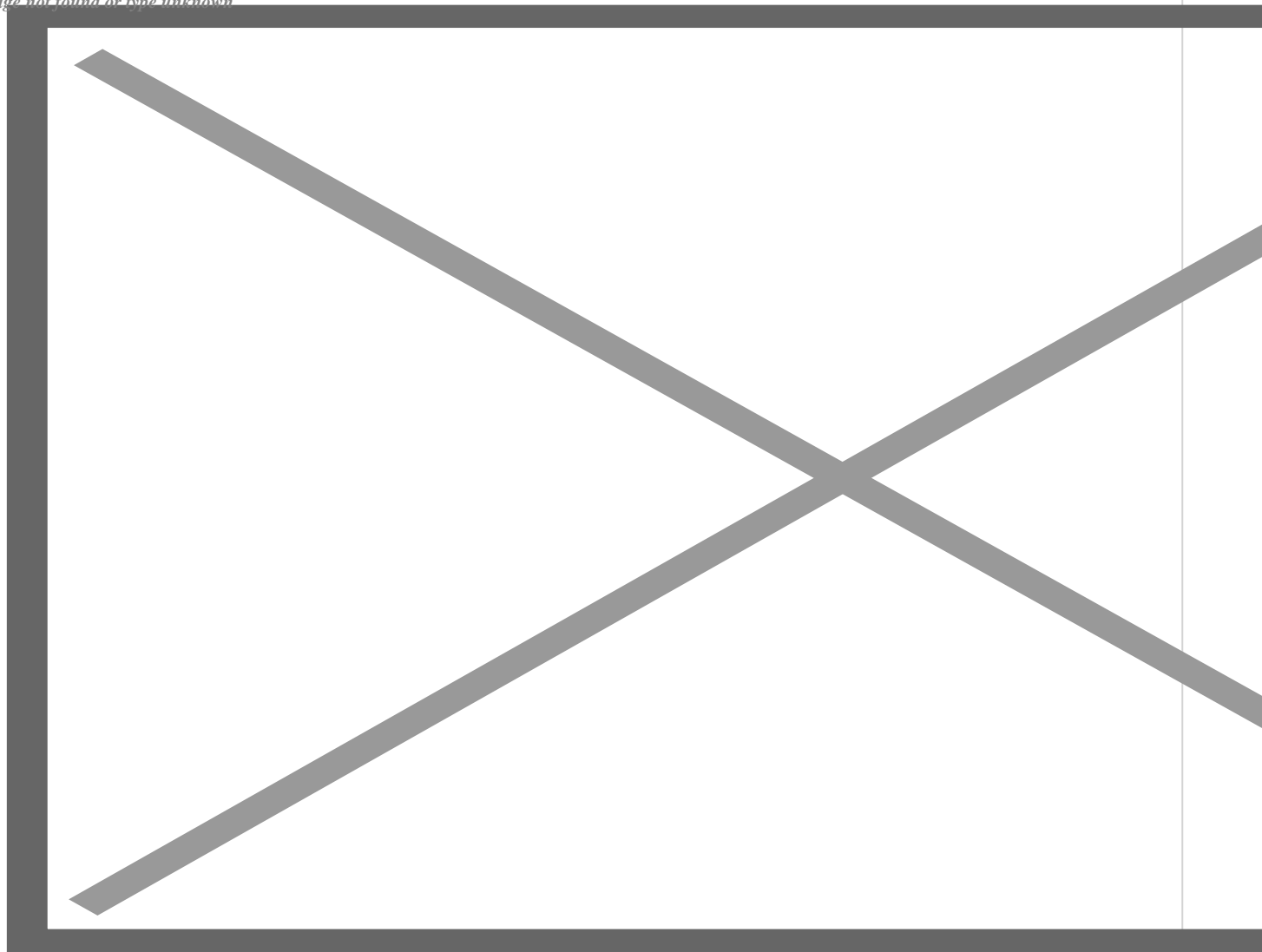


Civilians injured in Israeli missile attack on Syrian port city

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This picture shows the aftermath of an Israeli airstrike against some targets in the vicinity of the western Syrian town of al-Hamidiyah on July 2, 2022. (Photo by the state-run al-Ikhbariyah Syria television news network)

Damascus, July 3 (RHC)-- At least two civilians were injured following Israel's missile attacks on Saturday in Syria's western port city of Tartus.

Meanwhile, a military source said that Syrian air defenses were able to bring down most of the missiles fired by Israeli warplanes from the direction of Lebanon's northern city of Tripoli, according to Syria's official news agency SANA.

The development came less than a month after the Israeli military aircraft carried out an air aggression from the direction of the occupied Golan Heights, targeting some points south of the Syrian capital city of Damascus.

SANA reported that Syrian air defenses brought down most of Israeli projectiles during the June 10 attack. This latest strike caused one civilian injury as well as material damages.

Last May, Syria urged the United Nations and the Security Council to issue a "clear" condemnation of the Israeli regime's recurrent airstrikes on the Arab country's territory.

In a letter to the UN secretary-general and the president of the Security Council, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Expatriates said the country hoped the two bodies would "adopt a clear position on the Israeli attacks on Syrian sovereignty".

Such unequivocal position, the letter added, should be "away from politicized considerations and calculations that contradict the well-established and clear legal and political positions of the United Nations and its bodies."

The ministry also urged the UN to demand that the Israeli aggressor abide by the relevant Security Council resolutions and to immediately and unconditionally stop threatening regional and international peace and security.

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