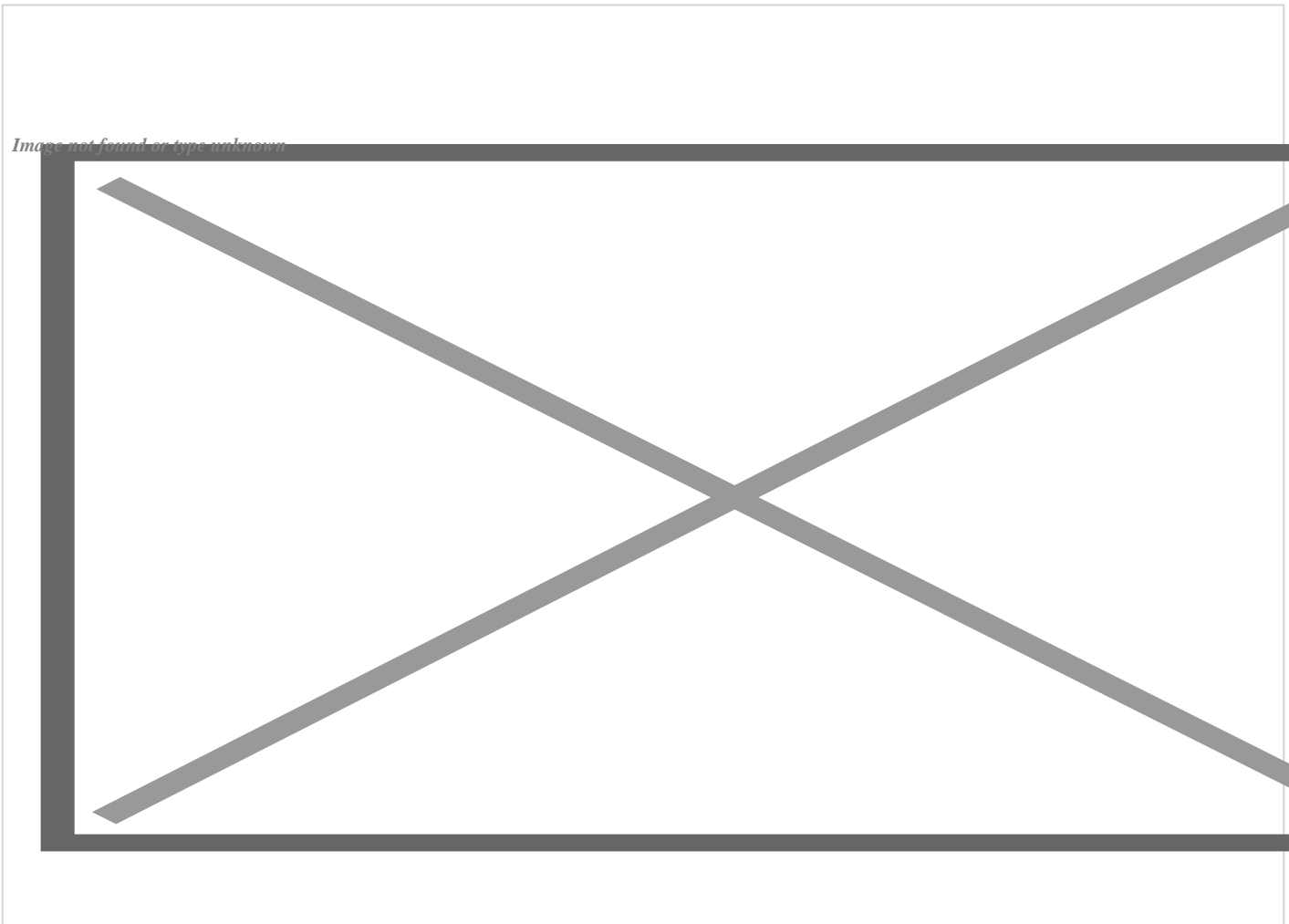


# *Microsoft and Amazon announce major job cuts*

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New York, January 21 (RHC)-- Microsoft has announced plans to lay off 10,000 workers in the largest round of job cuts at the software giant since 2014. This builds on approximately 120,000 job cuts over the past year at high-tech firms including Twitter, Meta, Lyft and Salesforce.

At the same time, Amazon said Wednesday it will lay off 2,300 workers in Seattle and Bellevue, Washington — part of a plan to slash Amazon's corporate workforce by 18,000. This comes after the U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration — OSHA — cited Amazon with failing to protect workers at three warehouses against ergonomic hazards, putting them at risk for musculoskeletal disorders and lower back injuries.



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