

Doctors Without Borders holds vigil for medical workers killed in Gaza

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New York, December 8 (RHC)-- In New York City, medical workers with the French charity Médecins Sans Frontières, or Doctors Without Borders, held a candlelight vigil outside the United Nations headquarters calling for a ceasefire in Gaza as they honored colleagues who've been killed by Israel's

assault on hospitals and clinics.

Four MSF staff members are among the hundreds of medical workers who have been killed in Israel's attacks since October.

Dr. Africa Stewart, an obstetrician and chair of MSF's board of directors, told reporters at the vigil: "We speak out now because you cannot deliver humanitarian aid while you fear for your own life. I'm here for the mommies. I'm here to remind us how hard it is to run full speed when you're pregnant, how debilitating it is to decide if you're going to hold your toddler's hand or a parent's hand as you flee. Our colleagues are being killed at the bedside of our patients. This must stop! We need basic perinatal care, which includes water and food and electricity."

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