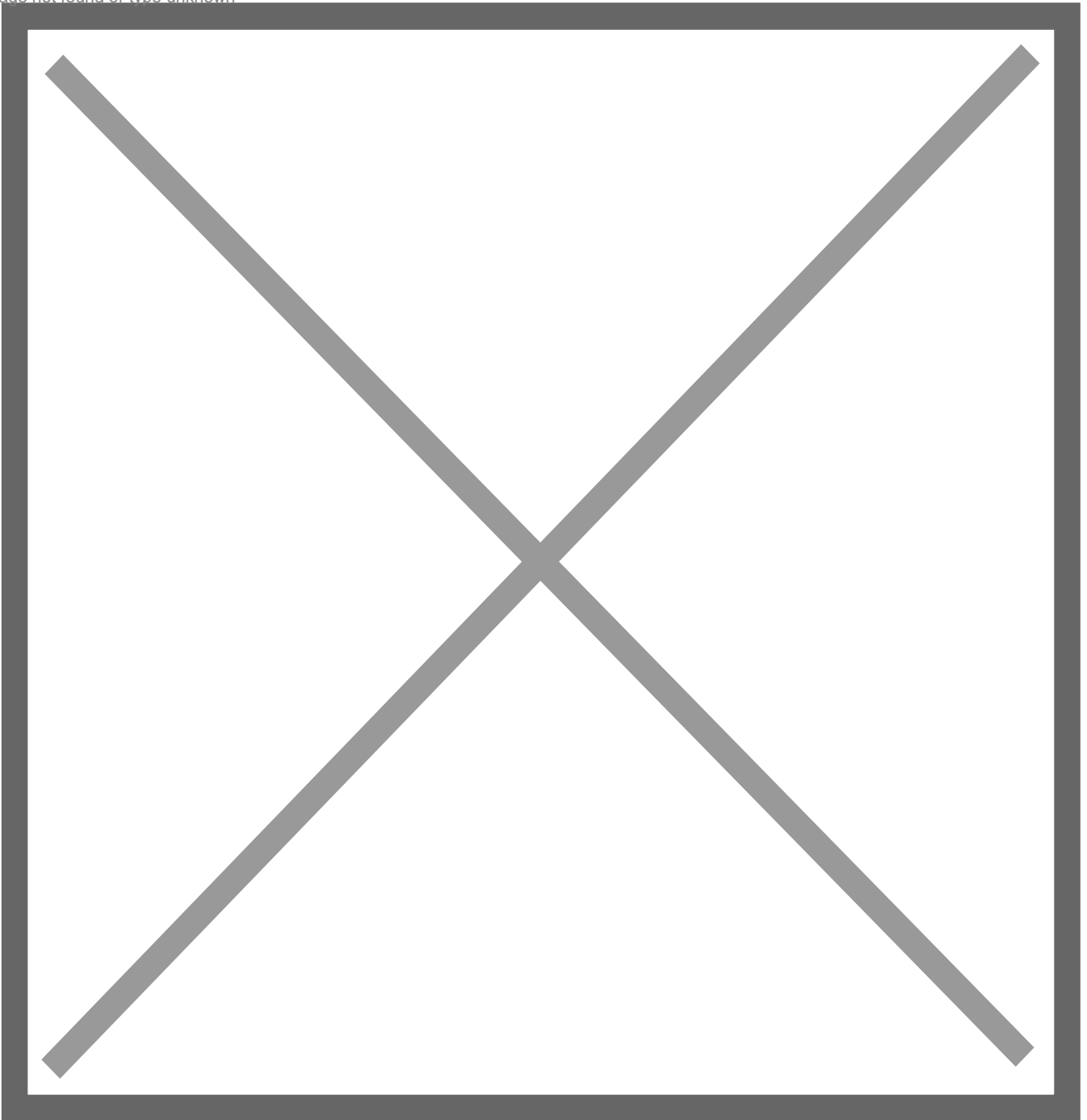


*Another Palestinian journalist
killed in Gaza, death toll rises to
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Ramallah, May 11 (RHC)-- The government media office in the Gaza Strip says another Palestinian journalist has been killed in an Israeli airstrike in the besieged coastal sliver, taking the death toll to 143 since the Tel Aviv regime unleashed its military raids, bombardments and missile attacks last October.

Bahaa Okasha, a photo-journalist for the Al-Aqsa media network, was killed alongside his wife and children in an Israeli bombing that targeted their house at the Jabalia refugee camp in northern Gaza on Saturday. The development came less than a week after another Palestinian journalist was killed in an

Israeli airstrike on the Gaza Strip.

Mustafa Ayad, a photojournalist, lost his life in an attack targeting his house in the Zeitoun neighborhood of Gaza City on May 6, the government media office said in a statement at the time.

Journalists operating in the Palestinian territory are faced with increased dangers as they report on the conflict amidst Israeli ground assaults and airstrikes, disrupted communications, supply shortages, and power outages.

Israel launched the war on Gaza on October 7 after Palestinian resistance groups carried out a surprise retaliatory operation into the occupied territories.

Concomitantly with the war, the regime has been enforcing a near-total siege on the coastal territory, which has reduced the flow of foodstuffs, medicine, electricity, and water into the Palestinian territory into a trickle.

So far during the military onslaught, the regime has killed at least 34,971 Gazans, most of them women, children, and adolescents. Another 78,641 Palestinians have sustained injuries as well.

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