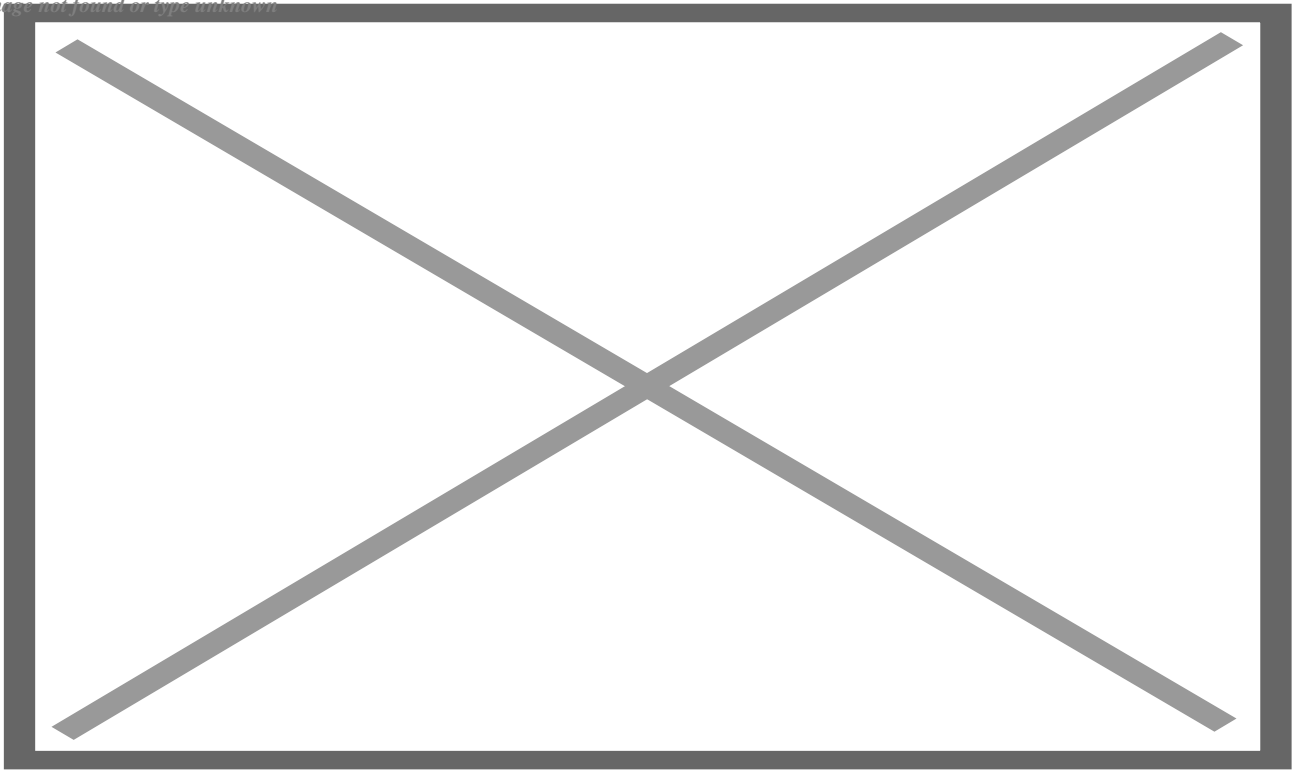


Hundreds protest in Paris against TV station's interview with Netanyahu

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A protestor holds a poster bearing a wanted announcement for Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu during a demonstration in Paris on May 27, 2024 to protest an overnight Israeli strike on a camp in Rafah for internally displaced Palestinians. (AFP/File)

Paris, May 31 (RHC)-- Hundreds of demonstrators gathered in Paris to protest against a French TV station's interview with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu.

Protesters rallied peacefully against the interview with the Israeli leader outside the offices of France's private broadcaster, TF1, in the western Paris suburbs, the French news agency AFP reports.

Kept back from the building by a heavy police presence, the protesters held Palestinian flags and chanted: “Gaza, Paris is with you”, “Immediate ceasefire!” and “Israel, murderer.”

In the interview broadcast on TF1’s news channel LCI, Netanyahu defended his war on Gaza and told the interviewer that “the number of civilian losses compared to losses of [Palestinian] combatants is the lowest rate we have seen in an urban war”. Netanyahu continued to claim that Israel was not targeting civilians or deliberately trying to cause a famine, which he branded “anti-Semitic slander”.

UN agencies, aid groups and foreign governments say Gaza is experiencing famine as a result of Israel’s restrictions on humanitarian aid entering the territory, where at least 36,224 Palestinians have been killed and 81,777 wounded since October 7.

More than a million people have also been displaced as Israel pushes on with its ground invasion of Rafah despite global condemnation and orders by the International Court of Justice in The Hague to immediately withdraw from the city.

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