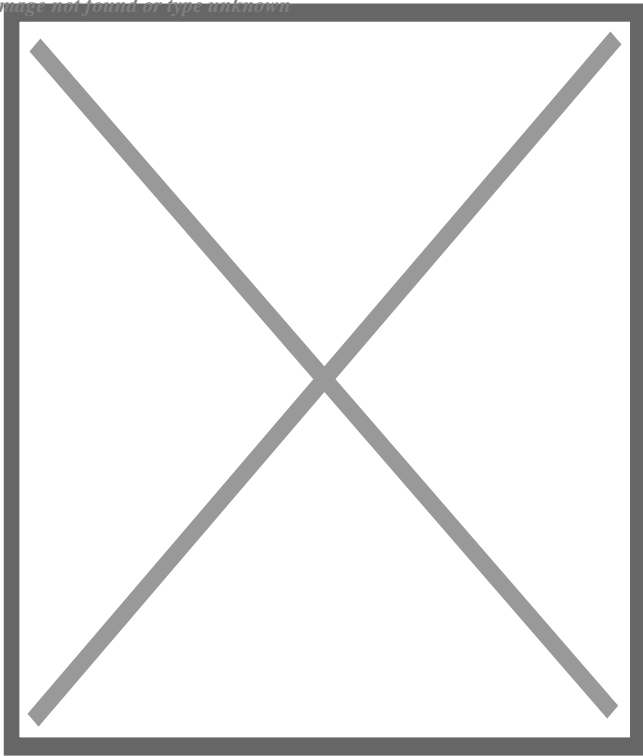


Iraqi resistance group warns Israel of growing costs of Gaza war

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Baghdad, July 20 (RHC)-- The leader of Iraq's Asa'ib Ahl al-Haq anti-terror resistance group has warned Israel of "growing costs" of its continuing ground and aerial invasion of the besieged Gaza Strip.

"The Zionist enemy will pay a much greater price in terms of security, economy, and even its existence as long as it continues its aggression," Qais al-Khazali said in a statement on Friday. He praised all forces of the Axis of Resistance, who are fighting off the Israeli war on Gaza for more than nine months.

"Resistance groups are fighting an honorable battle in defense of the Muslim Ummah's sanctities, while Arab and Muslim governments are reluctant to take any concrete measure," Khazali said.

The Asa'ib Ahl al-Haq chief noted that the latest drone strike by Yemeni forces on Tel Aviv, alongside previous operations by regional resistance groups, "clearly shows that Palestinians are not alone in

standing up against the Israeli aggression.”

The Islamic Resistance in Iraq says it has carried out retaliatory operations on two Israeli positions in the occupied territories. He said Israel's delusion of grandeur has been shattered and that the continuation of Gaza atrocities will incur dramatic losses on the "Zionist enemy".

Khazali emphasized that the rules of engagement are constantly changing, but their outcomes always align with justice. The Islamic Resistance in Iraq has been launching attacks on Israeli targets ever since Tel Aviv launched its war on Gaza last October.

The resistance has been also hitting American military bases in Iraq and neighboring Syria in retaliation for Washington's support for the Israeli war.

Israel unleashed its onslaught against the Gaza Strip, targeting hospitals, residences, and houses of worship after Palestinian resistance movements carried out a surprise attack, dubbed Operation Al-Aqsa Storm into the occupied territories on October 7, 2023.

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