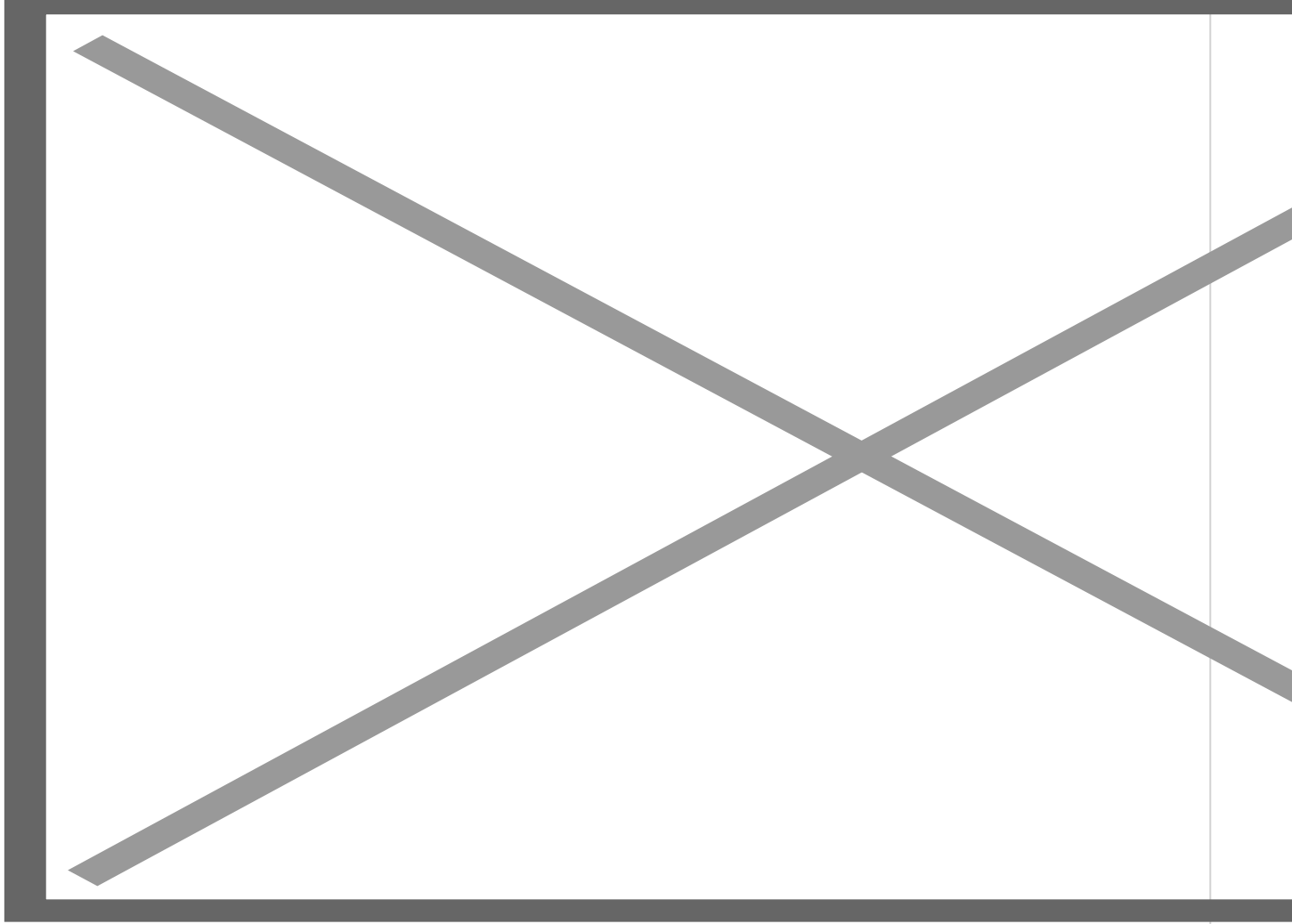


Iran points to Israel's sinister and racist plots to expand scale of war across Palestine

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Mourners pray by the bodies of four men who were killed in an Israeli attack during their funeral in the Fara camp for Palestinian refugees near Tubas in the north of the occupied West Bank on August 29, 2024. (Photo by AFP)

Tehran, August 29 (RHC)-- The spokesman for Iran's Foreign Ministry says the Israeli regime is pursuing "sinister and racist" plots to expand the scale of killing and crimes across Palestine and violate Islamic sanctities.

In a statement on Thursday, Nasser Kan'ani lambasted Israel's raids and assaults in the occupied West Bank and urged international circles to take immediate action to end the regime's genocide against the people of Palestine.

He said Israel's attack on the Palestinian cities and camps in north of the West Bank, the destruction of urban infrastructure and even the armed and violent entry into medical centers and hospitals are in line with the regime's continuation of the genocide in the Gaza Strip.

They all "indicate the Zionist regime's intention to expand the scope of killing and crime against Palestinian citizens," the Iranian spokesman added. He emphasized that Israel's violation of the sanctities of al-Quds and the al-Aqsa Mosque in recent days and revelation of the cabinet's provocative plots "clearly show the regime's ominous and racist plots against the entire geography of Palestine, the Palestinian citizens as well as the Islamic sanctities of this holy land."

Kan'ani called on international bodies, especially the United Nations Security Council, to abandon the approach of inaction in the face of Israel's flagrant violation of international law.

World bodies are required to fulfill their legal responsibilities and take a swift and effective action to stop the genocide of the Palestinian people by the child-killing Israeli regime, he said.

Kan'ani also hailed brave resistance of the Palestinian people and resistance groups in the face of the killing machine of the criminal Israeli regime in the Gaza Strip and the West Bank.

In the early hours of Wednesday, the Israeli army conducted its biggest operation – dubbed "Camps of Summer" – in the West Bank in over 20 years, deploying hundreds of troops and airstrikes on Jenin, Tulkarem, and Tubas, which are major centers of Palestinian resistance against the occupying entity.

At least 17 Palestinians were killed in Israeli military raid in several towns, including Jenin, Tulkarm and Tubas, after the first day of the incursion, while many more sustained injuries.

In a statement on Wednesday, United Nations Secretary General Antonio Guterres said he is "deeply concerned" over Israel's all-out military assault on the occupied West Bank, calling for a swift end to the aggression in the Palestinian territory.

Guterres also expressed concern over "dangerous and provocative acts and statements" by Israeli far-right minister Itamar Ben-Gvir.

In an interview with Israel's Army Radio on Monday, Ben-Gvir proactively confirmed that he plans to construct a synagogue inside the al-Aqsa Mosque compound in the occupied East al-Quds, drawing condemnation from various countries and international organizations.

It was the first time for the Israeli minister to openly speak about building a synagogue inside the complex, strengthening the narrative that the Muslim holy site and Palestinian national symbol is under threat from the occupying regime.



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