

# *Five children among the dead as Israel bombs homes in Deir al-Balah*

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Gaza City, October 8 (RHC)-- In Gaza, another 25 Palestinians have been killed as Israel's unrelenting war on the besieged Palestinian territory enters its second year. On Monday night, Israeli strikes in central Gaza hit houses in the Bureij refugee camp in the city of Deir al-Balah, killing five children and two

women.

Abu Muhammad al-Maqadma: "The war is against civilians and children? Women? The elderly? Who is this war against? What do we have in the Gaza Strip? Do we have aircraft carriers at sea or F-35 planes? What do we have? We have always been unarmed people. All Arab and European countries know that we are oppressed and lost our rights."

With the latest killings, the official death toll from one year of Israel's war is approaching 42,000, according to Gaza's Health Ministry. That would mean Israeli attacks have killed one out of every 55 people living in Gaza, though the figure is likely a significant undercount. More than 16,700 of the dead are children.

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