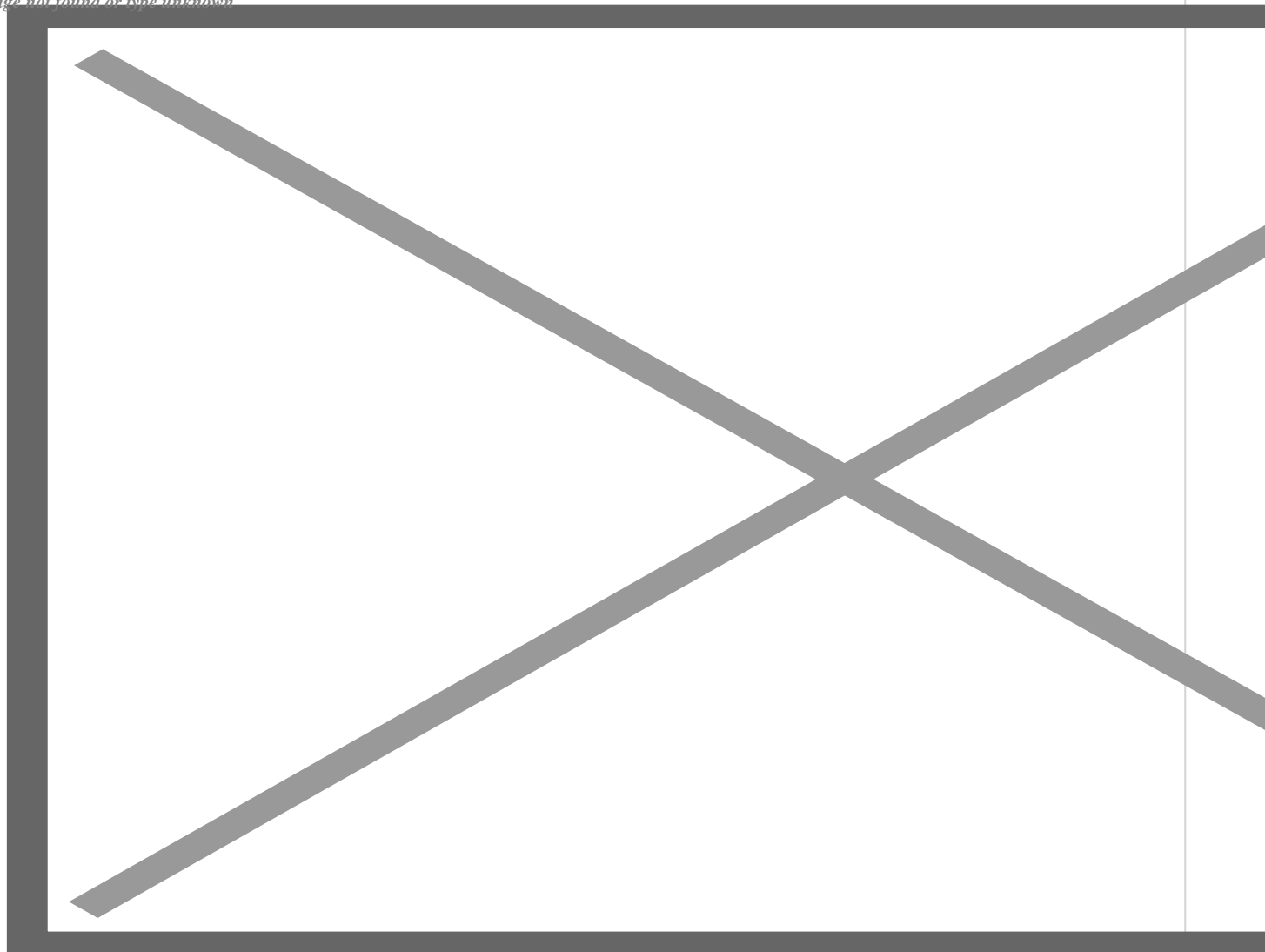


Israeli strike on Lebanon kills at least 15 people

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Rescuers evacuated a body at the site of an Israeli air strike that targeted the eastern village of Bazzaliyeh in the Hermel district of Lebanon's Bekaa Valley on Tuesday. (AFP photo)

Beirut, November 6 (RHC)-- The Lebanese health ministry has said that an Israeli strike on the town of Barja in the Mount Lebanon governorate has killed at least 15 people.

"Rescue and rubble removal operations are still ongoing," it said in a post on X on Tuesday. The health ministry said one person was killed and 20 others were wounded following another Israeli strike on the coastal town of Jiyeh, south of Beirut. A security source said the raid targeted an apartment used by Hezbollah in Jiyeh.

The strike destroyed the top floor of a four-story complex, said AFP reported.

The Lebanese official National News Agency (NNA) said Israeli raids also hit southern Lebanon and the eastern Bekaa Valley on Tuesday.

Meanwhile, Syria's official SANA news agency said an Israeli strike hit a Syrian town near the border with Lebanon on Tuesday.

"An Israeli aggression targeted the industrial zone in al-Qusayr" in Homs province, SANA said.

The Israeli military has reportedly pulled several brigades out of southern Lebanon following its failure to yield any significant territorial gains in the Arab country.

More than 3,000 killed in Israeli attacks on Lebanon

Israeli attacks in Lebanon have killed at least 3,013 people and wounded 13,553 since October 2023, the Lebanese government said on Tuesday.

Earlier, emergency medical services in Lebanon have reported 201 attacks over the past year on rescue workers. The attacks have resulted in 151 deaths and 212 injuries, the World Health Organization (WHO) said.

Since late September, Israel has launched an intense air and ground onslaught against Lebanon after nearly a year of cross-border exchanges with Hezbollah over the war in Gaza.

Hezbollah has been responding to the aggression with numerous retaliatory operations, targeting the occupied Palestinian territories.

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