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## ISRAEL CONTINUES GAZA BOMBARDMENT



*The mother of the Palestinian who was killed by the Israeli air raid at the hospital in Gaza*

Today Israeli fighter jets bombarded several targeted areas in the Gaza Strip and killed one Palestinian, Naji Ahmad al-Zaneen, 25, and injuring eight others. Out of the eight wounded, six are children who were on their way to school in Deir al-Balah in central Gaza.

“Palestinian sources said several rockets fired by Israeli warplanes targeted sites south of Gaza City, while another blast rocked the central region of the Gaza Strip. A powerful explosion also rocked Khan Younis in southern Gaza.”

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This comes after Israeli navy and soldiers attack dozens of Palestinians demanding an end to the deadly siege on the Gaza Strip on Monday, 15 October 2018, and injured 32 Palestinians with live fire, in addition to causing dozens to suffer the effects of teargas inhalation.



*Palestinian protestors*

As part of its ongoing occupation and massacre of innocent Palestinians, Israeli Defense Minister Avigdor Lieberman ordered the closure of both of Israel's border crossings with Gaza - the Kerem Shalom crossing for goods and the Erez

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crossing for people, and suspended shipments of fuel that had been trucked daily into Gaza over the previous week under a deal brokered by the UN.

The UN says Israeli blockade of the enclave has resulted in a "catastrophic" humanitarian situation. Gaza's two million residents endure dire living conditions including a shortage of safe drinking water and regular power cuts, partly because of the lack of fuel for the strip's power station. Residents typically receive about four hours of electricity a day.

Seventy years since Nakba<sup>1</sup>, Israeli forces still practice Shoot-to-kill orders that are given from the highest levels of the Israeli military which is a direct reflection of Israel's longstanding disregard for Palestinian life and international laws. Israel continues to alter the laws, status, and demographic composition of the city to achieve an overwhelming Israeli-Jewish majority through the systematic discrimination and oppression of Palestinians.

Palestinians are demanding the right to return to their homes in Israel as stipulated under the UN Resolution 194, and protesting the unlawful closure of the Gaza Strip that will render the territory uninhabitable by 2020.

At least 70 percent of Palestinians in Gaza are refugees, their families expelled in 1948 for the creation of the state of Israel.

Since March 30, the Great Return March peaceful demonstration, Israeli forces have killed at least 205 Palestinians including journalists and paramedics and injured more than 18,000.

Time and against Israel has shown it's not accountable to anyone, it is about time to end Seven decades of impunity.

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<sup>1</sup> Seventy years ago, over 800,000 Palestinians were forcibly expelled, 531 villages destroyed, and over 15,000 Palestinians killed, as Palestinian society was decimated in what is now mourned as the Nakba, or the 'catastrophe'



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ICSFT strongly condemns the war crimes committed by Israel and once again calls on the international community to not only condemn acts of violence by Israeli forces on the Palestinian people, but also to end the occupation of Palestinian Territories, that has continued since 1967. ICSFT is concerned about the innocent victims of these attacks and calls to bring those responsible to justice.

We call on the international community to urge Israel to uphold the right to personal dignity and personal liberty on persons exiting Gaza, and to encourage international oversight, such as country visits and inquiries by international mechanisms, including UN Special Procedures, in order to investigate these practices. In particular, ICSFT urges the international community to support the commission of Inquiry in carrying out its mandate to ensure meaningful steps towards justice.