Israeli warplanes attack north of Gaza Strip



An Israeli missile launched from an Iron Dome missile system is seen above Gaza City. (Photo: AFP)

Gaza City, November 22 (RHC)-- Israeli jet fighters have reportedly launched air raids against eastern Beit Hanoun in the north of the besieged Gaza Strip. An observation post belonging to the Gaza-based resistance movement of Hamas, located in Beit Hanoun's An-Nayema street, have been apparently targeted in the Israeli attacks on Saturday night. No casualties have been reported so far.

The Israeli military claims the fresh airstrikes came in response to a rocket allegedly fired from Gaza, hitting an Israeli factory and causing warning sirens to sound in Ashkelan. The rocket is said to have caused material damages.

Last Sunday, the Israeli military attacked the Gaza Strip after rockets from the Tel Aviv-blockaded Palestinian territory targeted the "central" and "southern" parts of the occupied territories.

The Israeli strikes were carried out against infrastructure and positions belonging to Hamas, Israeli paper The Jerusalem Post reported, citing the military.

The aggression followed several rocket launches from the enclave that set off incoming fire sirens in the coastal town of Ashdod in the occupied territories, the daily said.

The incidents came as the Israeli military has been put on high alert following the first anniversary of the regime's assassination of Baha Abu al-Ata, a senior commander of the Islamic Jihad movement, another Gaza-headquartered resistance group. The 42-year-old and his wife were killed in an Israeli aerial assault on his Gaza home on November 12 last year.

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