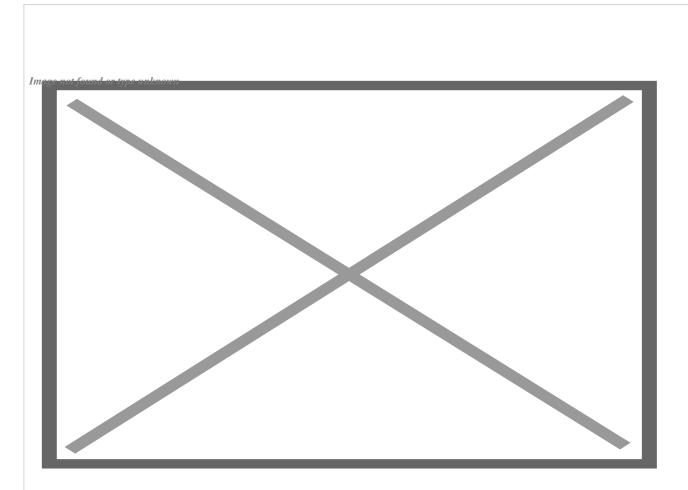
Palestinian killed after injuring several Israeli soldiers, settlers in car-ramming operation in occupied West Bank



Israeli forces shoot a Palestinian man who injured five Israeli settlers in a car-ramming operation near the city of Jericho in the occupied West Bank, on October 30, 2022. (Photo via Twitter)

Ramallah, October 31 (RHC)-- Israeli forces have killed another Palestinian following a car-ramming operation that left five settlers injured near the city of Jericho in the occupied West Bank. The Palestinian Information Center, quoting Israeli media, said following the Sunday attack the regime's forces fatally shot the Palestinian man who was driving the car south of Jericho.

The Palestinian news agency also cited Israeli media as identifying the driver as 49-year-old Barkat Odeh from the town of al-Eizariya near East al-Quds. Israeli medical sources said the five injured Israelis are in their 20s and suffered different injuries following the incident. They added that the driver first rammed some Israelis near Nabi Musa village and then continued driving and plowed into a bus stop at Almog Junction, injuring others. The injured settlers were evacuated to hospitals in occupied al-Quds.

Following the incident, the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine issued a statement, hailing "the heroic operation" in the West Bank, and adding that "it renewed the emphasis on the need to confront the occupation and its continuing crimes."

Palestinian resistance movement, Hamas, also welcomed the operation, saying it left six Israeli soldiers and settlers wounded. In a Sunday statement, the movement said: "The occupation must ... get used to the sight of its soldiers lying on the ground ... in light of the escalation of its crimes against our people, our land and our holy sites."

The reported attack came amid heavily intensified Israeli raids throughout the West Bank in search of alleged Palestinian gunmen responsible for a spate of deadly attacks on Israeli forces by Palestinian resistance forces – which began in March.

More than 100 Palestinians have so far been killed during the Israeli regime's brutal crackdown on West Bank's native residents. On Saturday, four Israelis and a Palestinian were injured in a gun attack near an Israeli checkpoint in the occupied West Bank city of al-Khalil, also known as Hebron.

The gunman was reportedly shot dead by the occupying forces. Local news outlets cited Tel Aviv's army as saying that the unidentified attacker "shot live fire" at the checkpoint in al-Khalil, also home to a community of radical Israeli settlers.

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