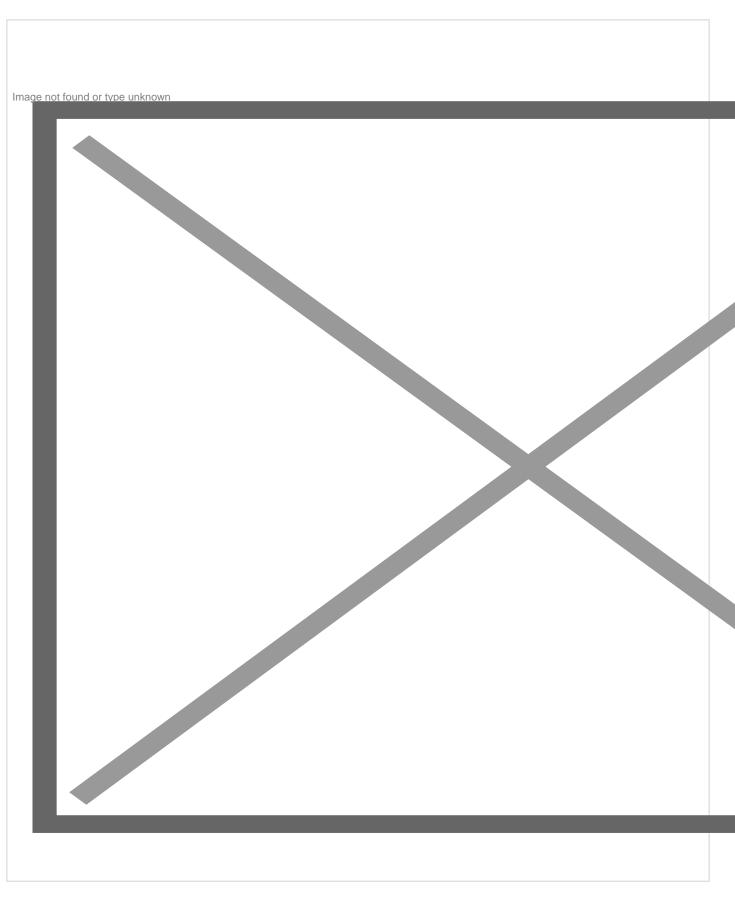
Hamas says at least 10 Israeli soldiers were killed in Khan Yunis in southern Gaza



Khan Yunis, December 6 (RHC)-- The military wing of the Palestinian resistance movement Hamas says its fighters have killed ten Israeli soldiers in the southern Gaza Strip, as the occupying regime continues its brutal assault on the besieged territory.

Hamas' military wing, known as al-Qassam Brigades, reported on Tuesday that the occupying regime's soldiers were killed in eastern Khan Yunis. The military brigades added that its fighters have also struck three Israeli tanks, two personnel carriers and three military bulldozers with anti-armor shells east and north of Khan Yunis.

The latest development came two days after fighters from al-Qassam Brigades killed dozens of Israeli soldiers in their camp at a deployment point east of Juhr al-Dik.

Battles raged in Khan Yunis on Tuesday as the Israeli military pushed its air and land offensive into southern Gaza.

Israeli forces attacked the vicinity of a hospital and residential buildings in the city, leaving at least 45 Palestinians dead and dozens injured.

According to media sources, Israeli warplanes bombed the Nasser Hospital in Khan Yunis as well as Palestinians' houses in Deir al-Balah. The spokesperson of Shuhada Al-Aqsa Hospital announced that 45 Palestinians were killed after the Israeli regime's warplanes attacked civilian homes in Deir al-Balah.

He also noted that dozens of other Palestinians were injured as a result of this crime committed by the Israeli military.

The commander of the Israeli military's Southern Command, General Yaron Finkelman, called it the most intense day of combat since the beginning of the ground operation in Gaza, claiming that Israeli forces are also fighting in Jabalia and in Shuja'iyya as well as Khan Yunis.

Khan Yunis residents also said Israeli troops and tanks had crossed through the Israeli border fence enclosing Gaza and closed in on the city from the east.

Israel resumed air and ground attacks on Gaza on Friday after the end of a weeklong humanitarian pause with Hamas.

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