

Israel launches missile strike on Syrian capital, killing at least seven women and children

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Damascus, October 9 (RHC)-- The Syrian foreign ministry has strongly condemned an Israeli air raid on the capital Damascus that killed 7 people and injured many others. On Tuesday, Israeli missiles hit a residential building in the Mezzah neighborhood, west of Damascus.

According to the Syrian army, at least seven people including women and children were killed and eleven others wounded in the attack. "Nearly at 20.15 on Tuesday, the Israeli enemy launched an aerial aggression with 3 missiles from the direction of the occupied Syrian Golan, targeting a residential building at the densely-populated Mezzah neighborhood in Damascus, claiming the lives of 7 civilians, among them women and children, injuring 11 others in initial toll and causing huge material damages to properties," a Syrian military source told the Syrian Arab News Agency (SANA). The source added that works are underway to rescue others from under the debris.

The Syrian foreign ministry on Tuesday night called the Israeli aggression a brutal crime against defenseless civilians. The ministry also said the strike was an extension of Israel's bloodshed across the region, including Lebanon and Palestine.

The Iranian embassy in Damascus also condemned the strike as a terrorist bombing, adding no Iranians were among the casualties.

Syria has consistently called on the UN Security Council to take action against these assaults, which it views as clear violations of its sovereignty and territorial integrity.

Israel frequently targets military positions inside Syria, especially those of the Lebanese resistance movement Hezbollah, which has played a key role in helping the Syrian army in its fight against foreign-backed terrorists.

The Tel Aviv regime rarely comments on its attacks on Syrian territories, which many see as a knee-jerk reaction to the Syrian government's phenomenal success in confronting and decimating terrorism.

Damascus has time and again called on the UN Security Council to put an end to the regime's attacks that violate Syria's sovereignty and territorial integrity.

The Israeli attacks on Syria come amid the regime's ongoing genocide in the Gaza Strip which has killed more than 41,600 people, mostly women and children, over the past year.

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