

U.S. whistleblower says aid workers ordered to open fire on Palestinians: Shoot and ask questions later



Rafah, July 8 (RHC)-- The Gaza Humanitarian Foundation claimed without evidence that two U.S. contractors were hurt in an attack by Hamas at one of its sites over the weekend. The claim came as GHF security guards continued near-daily attacks on starving Palestinians queuing for aid at overcrowded distribution sites — with at least 750 Palestinians killed and nearly 5,000 others wounded in such assaults since May.

This comes as a former GHF security guard and whistleblower has described how he witnessed American co-workers using machine guns to open fire on Palestinians who posed no threat.

The former guard asked to remain anonymous as he spoke to the BBC. The former security guard said: “When this guy was shooting into this group, this man dropped to the ground and was motionless. Then the other contractor who was standing there was like, ‘Damn, I think you got one,’ and then they laughed about it.”

The whistleblower said: “I brought this to the attention of the leadership directly. I was like, ‘I don’t’ — and then the leadership said to me: ‘Well, you have no way of knowing that that person was hit with a bullet. Maybe — maybe they tripped. Maybe they — maybe they were tired, and they passed out.’”

The contractor said guards were told to open fire if they felt uncomfortable, with instructions to “shoot and ask questions later.” The guards reportedly described starving Palestinians in line for food as “the zombie horde.”

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