

Israeli Forces Kill Five Palestinians in a Day in Gaza



Ramallah, October 21 (RHC)-- Israeli forces have killed two more Palestinians near the city of Hebron in southern West Bank as the Palestinian death toll in the ongoing violence in the occupied territories rises. Israeli media claimed on Tuesday that the two Palestinians had been killed following attempted knife attacks.

Earlier in the day, Israeli forces shot and killed another Palestinian youth during clashes along the border in the besieged Gaza Strip amid intensification of violence against Palestinians. According to Palestinian media, the man was killed while five other Gazans sustained injuries.

Also on Tuesday, Israeli forces shot dead two Palestinians in the occupied West Bank during renewed clashes between the two sides.

The fresh violence comes as UN chief Ban Ki-moon on Tuesday made an unannounced visit to Jerusalem in a bid to calm the rising tensions in the occupied territories. Ban told reporters that his visit "reflects the sense of global alarm at the dangerous escalation in violence between Israelis and Palestinians." He warned: "If we do not act fast, the dynamics on the ground will only get worse." He also called for the resumption of talks between Israel and Palestinians.

The latest wave of tensions was triggered by the Israeli regime's imposition in August of restrictions on the entry of Palestinian worshipers into the al-Aqsa Mosque.

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