Israeli Prime Minister Retracts Claim Hitler Was Inspired by Palestinian Cleric



Tel Aviv, November 4 (RHC)-- Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has retracted his claim a Palestinian cleric gave Hitler the idea to exterminate European Jews.

Following international condemnation, including from Israeli historians, Netanyahu conceded in a Facebook post: "The decision to move from a policy of deporting Jews to the Final Solution was made by the Nazis and was not dependent on outside influence."

Meanwhile, violence continues in the Israeli-occupied West Bank, where Israeli forces reportedly raided a refugee camp in Bethlehem. Video footage appears to show an Israeli officer threatening to gas inhabitants to death. He tells them over a loudspeaker: "You throw stones, and we will hit you with gas until you all die."

The Israeli government claims the officer involved has been suspended and is under investigation.



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