

Palestinians Dig Bodies from Rubble as Ceasefire Holds



Gaza City, August 6 (RHC)-- Palestinian residents of Gaza are returning to massive devastation on the second day of a 72-hour ceasefire. Estimates of the reconstruction costs run as high as \$6 billion. More than 10,000 homes have been destroyed and more than 5,000 have seen major damage.

Residents have been searching through the rubble to retrieve possessions and dig out decomposing bodies. Residents of Rafah said a number of dead children were found.

More than 400 children have been killed in the Israeli assault, with the Gaza Health Ministry reporting a figure as high as 430. According to UNICEF, some 373,000 children suffered traumatic experiences and need immediate psycho-social support. A UNICEF spokesperson said the assault has had a "catastrophic and tragic impact" on Gaza's children.

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