

Giorno 178 dell'Operazione Al-Aqsa Flood: Israele si ritira dall'ospedale di al-Shifa, lasciando dietro di sé le prove di un massacro

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Vittime

- Oltre 32.623 morti* e almeno 75.092 feriti nella Striscia di Gaza.
- Oltre 450 palestinesi uccisi nella Cisgiordania occupata e a Gerusalemme est.**
- Israele rivede il numero stimato delle vittime del 7 ottobre riducendolo da 1.400 a 1.139.
- Dal 7 ottobre sono stati uccisi 600 soldati israeliani e almeno 6.800 sono rimasti feriti.***

**Il Ministero della Salute di Gaza ha confermato questo dato sul suo canale Telegram. Alcuni gruppi per i diritti umani stimano che il bilancio delle vittime sia molto più alto se si tiene conto di quelli presunti morti.*

*** Il bilancio delle vittime in Cisgiordania e Gerusalemme non viene aggiornato regolarmente. Secondo il Ministero della Salute dell'Autorità Palestinese il 17 marzo, questo è l'ultimo dato.*

**** Questa cifra è stata rilasciata dall'esercito israeliano, mostrando i soldati i cui nomi "hanno potuto essere pubblicati".*

Sviluppi chiave

- Secondo il ministero della Sanità palestinese, da sabato mattina Israele ha ucciso 140 palestinesi e ne ha feriti 202 nella Striscia di Gaza.
- L'esercito israeliano si ritira dal complesso ospedaliero di al-Shifa dopo un assedio di due settimane, lasciando dietro di sé una distruzione totale e decine di morti. Fonti militari israeliane affermano che al-Shifa "non tornerà in funzione" dopo il ritiro.
- Il ministero degli Interni di Gaza annuncia l'arresto di 10 agenti dell'intelligence dell'Autorità Palestinese con sede a Ramallah, sostenendo che sono entrati a Gaza in coordinamento con Israele per "destabilizzare il fronte interno". Ramallah nega ufficialmente le affermazioni.
- Il Ministero della Sanità di Gaza chiede alla comunità internazionale di intervenire per riaprire l'ospedale Nasser a Khan Younis, che è stato messo fuori servizio dalle forze israeliane dopo i continui attacchi delle ultime settimane.

- Israele annuncia l'uccisione del comandante militare di Hezbollah durante un attacco nel sud del Libano. Gli attacchi israeliani hanno colpito le città libanesi di al-Khyam e Markaba, mentre Hezbollah lancia razzi sugli insediamenti israeliani e sulle basi militari in Galilea.
- Le forze israeliane fanno irruzione a Jenin, nella Cisgiordania occupata, nel mezzo di un'ondata di arresti.
- Palestinesi in Israele e Cisgiordania marciano in commemorazione della Giornata della Terra Palestinese per protestare contro il genocidio di Gaza.
- Canale 12 israeliano: oltre 6.800 soldati israeliani feriti dal 7 ottobre.

Israel kills 140 Palestinians in Gaza, including 10 journalists in targeted strike

The Palestinian health ministry reported that Israeli forces committed 14 massacres across the Gaza Strip since Saturday, killing 140 Palestinians and wounding 202, raising the death toll of Israel's assault since October 7 to 32,782 with more than 75,392 wounded.

In Gaza City, medical sources reported finding at least 50 dead bodies in the surroundings of al-Shifa hospital after the Israeli army withdrew from the medical complex following two weeks of raids. The health ministry said in a statement on Sunday that medical staff are unable to recover the bodies and the wounded under the rubble.



Palestinians search the rubble of destroyed and burned buildings of the al-Shifa Hospital in Gaza City following a two-week Israeli raid that claimed hundreds of casualties. The Israeli military said that the hospital will be inoperable following the withdrawal of its forces. (APA Images)

On Sunday, Israeli airstrikes hit a residential building in the al-Daraj neighborhood in Gaza City, killing an unspecified number of Palestinians. In western Gaza City, Israeli strikes killed at least two Palestinians and wounded 10 in al-Shati refugee camp.

In the central Gaza Strip, Israeli forces killed six Palestinians in a strike on a family house in al-Maghazi refugee camp. Israeli strikes also killed four Palestinians and wounded 15, including 10 journalists in a strike on a tent in the courtyard of the al-Aqsa Martyrs Hospital in Deir al-Balah.

In the southern Gaza Strip, Israeli strikes continued over the weekend on Khan Younis and its surrounding villages. In Bani Suhaila, west of Khan Younis, Palestinian medical teams recovered five more bodies. Local media sources also reported that Israeli armored vehicles opened fire at Palestinian houses in Khuza'a, east of Khan Younis.

Israeli army withdraws from al-Shifa Hospital after two-week attack, leaving 'total destruction'

The Israeli army withdrew from al-Shifa Hospital in Gaza City early on Monday, following 14 days of raids on Gaza's largest medical complex. Testimonies from the ground reported finding at least 50 dead bodies in the complex, while medical sources said that "hundreds of bodies" continue to be found in the hospital's vicinity.

Israeli media quoted the Israeli army spokesperson saying that Israeli forces have “ended their operation” at al-Shifa, killing 200 Palestinians whom it claims to be members of Palestinian resistance groups, including a senior commander of Hamas’s military wing.

The Israeli army repeated throughout the two-week-long raid that it took “precautions” to avoid harming civilians and civilian infrastructure. However, testimonies from journalists and civilians of executions and torture inside the hospital and photos of a completely burnt hospital indicate otherwise.



Palestinians look on at the damaged and burned remaining edifice of al-Shifa Hospital, Gaza’s largest hospital, which was destroyed by the Israeli military in a deadly two-week raid. April 1, 2024 (APA Images)

Palestinians rushed into al-Shifa following the withdrawal of Israeli forces, with reports from local media sources describing the “total destruction” of the hospital’s facilities.

According to medical sources at al-Shifa, Israeli troops completely destroyed the specialized surgeries building and set fire to the rest of the building. Sources also indicated that Israeli soldiers also torched the reception and emergency buildings, destroying dozens of rooms and all of its equipment.

Local sources added that Israeli forces destroyed or torched several residential buildings surrounding al-Shifa and that residents have recovered dozens of dead bodies in the streets surrounding the complex.

On Monday, the Haboush family told news outlet Arab 48 as they evacuated the area that they had spent nine days with very little water at their home in al-Shifa’s vicinity. The family said that their eldest son was killed by an Israeli quadcopter drone and was left to bleed to

death and then decompose before their eyes, as they couldn't risk recovering his body under Israeli fire.

On the second day of the Israeli raid, Palestinian Gaza-based journalist Bayan Abu Sultan reported through her X account that Israeli forces killed her brother in the surroundings of al-Shifa.

Palestinian medical sources said in the aftermath of Israel's withdrawal from al-Shifa that the medical complex was completely inoperational and that it will be "very difficult to resume work in al-Shifa in the current stage."

Hours prior to Israeli forces' withdrawal, the Director General of the World Health Organization, Tedros Adhom Ghebreyesus, called upon opening a humanitarian corridor to al-Shifa.

Ghebreyesus added that 21 Palestinian patients have died inside al-Shifa during the Israeli raid since March 19 and that 107 more patients are still inside the hospital in inappropriate medical conditions, including four children and 28 in critical condition. Ghebreyesus indicated that the patients include some with wound inflammation, due to the lack of clean water.

Israeli army sources also said through the Israeli army radio that al-Shifa Hospital "will not come back to work" after the destruction it suffered during the Israeli military raid.

Israeli forces had raided al-Shifa in November and forced Palestinians, including patients and medical staff, to exit, leaving behind several newborn babies without functioning incubators.

Palestinians returned to al-Shifa following the first Israeli withdrawal from the hospital in December, where journalists reported finding the left-behind-babies decomposing.

Gaza interior ministry accuses PA intelligence of 'infiltrating Gaza in coordination with Israel

The Gaza-based Palestinian interior ministry, which is administered by Hamas, said on Monday that an intelligence force belonging to the Ramallah-based Palestinian Authority, led by Hamas' political rival Fatah, entered the Gaza Strip on Saturday.

The ministry announced arresting the force's members, whom it claimed were on a mission to "sabotage the internal front" in Gaza. A Palestinian Authority senior official denied accusations on Monday in statements to the PA-affiliated Wafa agency.

According to Gaza authorities, the intelligence force entered on Saturday in Egyptian Red Crescent trucks that were allegedly allowed into the Strip by Israel. Gaza officials added that Egyptian authorities denied having any knowledge of the alleged infiltration.

An official in the Gaza interior ministry said that the force entered by direct orders of the Ramallah-based Palestinian general intelligence apparatus chief, Majed Faraj, with the mission of “spreading chaos,” and in coordination with the Israeli army and the Israeli internal security intelligence – the Shin Bet, or as it’s known locally, the Shabak.

The official noted that the Gaza security forces received instructions from the ‘Palestinian resistance factions joint operation group,’ the coordinating body of a dozen Palestinian armed factions in the Strip. The instructions, according to the official, were to intercept the alleged force “and any security force that enters Gaza other than through the resistance.”

On Monday, the Palestinian Authority’s official Wafa news agency quoted a senior PA official calling the Gaza interior ministry statement “an enraged media campaign to cover up the suffering of our people in Gaza.”

The Israeli Kan channel had reported earlier that Israel’s war minister Yoav Gallant had proposed Majed Faraj take charge of running the Strip after the war in cooperation with local figures who wouldn’t include members of Hamas.

Last week, The White House spokesperson Mathew Miller said that one of the U.S. administration’s orders for a post-war Gaza is that the PA must run both the West Bank and the Gaza Strip. Miller added that the U.S. is discussing with the PA and other countries in the region all the issues concerning the administration of the Strip after the war, without giving further details.

600 Israeli soldiers killed, 6,800 wounded as fighting with Palestinian resistance continues

The Israeli army announced on Monday that a soldier from its 77th brigade was killed in combat with the Palestinian resistance in the Gaza Strip, as Israeli media outlets reported that 600 Israeli soldiers and officers have been killed since October 7, and 6,800 have been wounded.

The Israeli army, which delays the announcement of its losses under strict military censorship, has so far admitted the loss of 264 soldiers and officers since the beginning of its ground invasion of the Gaza Strip in November.

Meanwhile, the al-Qassam Brigades, the armed wing of Hamas, announced that its fighters targeted an Israeli tank in Khan Younis with an armor-piercing explosive device and that Israeli military helicopters rushed to evacuate casualties.

Al-Qassam also announced that its fighters engaged Israeli soldiers with an anti-fortification projectile inside a house near the Nasser Hospital, west of Khan Younis. Al-Qassam added that it targeted Israeli troops in the vicinity of al-Shifa Hospital in Gaza City with mortar rounds.

Simultaneously, the armed wing of the Palestinian Islamic Jihad -PIJ announced that its fighters engaged Israeli forces in the al-Qarara neighborhood in Khan Younis.

For its part, the Israeli army announced that it continues to fight Palestinian factions in al-Qarara and that 81 soldiers were wounded in the southern Gaza Strip in the past week.

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