

OPERATIONAL UPDATE:

ISRAEL – HAMAS WAR

DAY 178 OF THE WAR

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IDF TROOPS CONCLUDE OPERATION AGAINST HAMAS TERRORISTS IN SHIFA

Conclusion of the Operation in Shifa Hospital:

- Over the last two weeks, the IDF and the ISA conducted precise operational activity against terrorist operatives and infrastructure at Shifa Hospital in the Gaza Strip. The forces apprehended approximately 500 suspects identified as associated with terrorist organizations and eliminated 200 terrorists in the Strip. The apprehended suspects were transferred for further interrogation in Israel by the ISA and Unit 504 in the Intelligence Directorate.
- The operation was carried out following precise intelligence from the ISA and the Intelligence Directorate regarding terrorist organizations' activities in the area, including using Shifa as a command and control center and military headquarters.
- The forces found large quantities of weapons, and intelligence documents throughout the hospital, encountered terrorists in close-quarters battles, and engaged in combat while avoiding harm to the medical staff and patients.

Humanitarian Measures Taken Throughout the Operation:

- Before the operation began, IDF soldiers were instructed on the importance of avoiding any harm to the hospital patients, civilians and medical staff. Following the conclusion of the operation, it was confirmed that not a single civilian, patient, doctor, or medical staff member was harmed in this operation – only terrorists. This is an immense achievement, made possible by the immense efforts of the forces on the ground.
- COGAT officials also spoke with the Director of the Gazan Health Ministry in advance of the operation.
- 6,000 civilians were carefully evacuated from the compound.
- A separate medical compound for patients and medical teams to enable treatment to continue was set up by the IDF, allowing them to target terrorists without harming uninvolved civilians.

Aid and Medical Supplies:

- The IDF and COGAT coordinated and supplied the entry of fuel and humanitarian aid to patients and medical teams.
- 10 tons of food were provided to those who were evacuated from the hospital and passed through the humanitarian corridor.
- Over 20,000 liters of mineral water (in bottles) entered Shifa
- The medical equipment that was brought into the hospital includes:
 - 1000 fluid and infusion sets
 - 3 trucks of various medical equipment
 - 50 beds were built for patients
 - 2 generators
 - 20 monitors