

# HUMAN RIGHTS DEVELOPMENTS IN A WEEK

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## LEBANON

**Monday**  
8 Jan 2024

### **Israeli bombing targeted a commercial establishment on Al-Adaysa Road**

The representative of the National News Agency in Marjayoun reported that the Israeli bombing targeted a commercial establishment on Al-Adissa Road, causing fires to break out in it.

### **Israeli bombardment with phosphorous bombs on Tallet Al-Awaidah**

According to the National News agency, Al-Owaidah hill between Adaissa and Kafr Kila has been subjected to enemy bombardment with phosphorus bombs.

### **Israeli artillery shelling of a livestock farm on the outskirts of Wazzani**

A livestock farm on the outskirts of Wazzani was subjected to Israeli artillery shelling.

**Tuesday**  
9 Jan 2024

### **Ongoing strike by Rafic Hariri Hospital contractors until demands are met**

"Employees and contractors of Rafik Hariri Governmental University Hospital" announced in a statement that they "began their open strike this morning, coinciding with the complete cessation of work and the general closure of departments that they announced yesterday, which came as a result of the pressures and harsh conditions they are going through, due to the indifference of those concerned and their delay in carrying out their executive and procedural duties to advance the hospital after the decline that befell it as a result of wrong policies."

They also added: "It is important for us to mention that the workers did not leave a door without knocking on it without receiving deaf ears or seeing any positive feedback, starting with the Director General of the Ministry of Public Health, appointed by the Minister of Public Health in the caretaker government, with whom the Employees Committee held successive meetings." Employees and contractors of RHGUH submitted a written letter detailing the problems and circumstances the hospital is going through. They stressed that "the issue has gone beyond being a problem of delay in paying salaries, to the point of fear of the gradual collapse of the hospital, which may, God forbid, lead to forced closure and stop providing the minimum hospital services required of it." "We call on the Minister of Health to intervene personally to carry out the guardianship role required of him, whether it is to accelerate the payment of salaries or to develop the necessary plan to correct the situation, and to make the necessary amendments in the public administration and the temporary administrative committee for hospital management."

Wednesday  
10 Jan 2023

### 5 hoses used to pump incendiary materials were found, extended by the Israeli army to the Lebanese territories

The Army Command -issued the following statement:

A joint army and UNIFIL patrol in the outskirts of the town of Labouneh, Lebanon found 3 hoses used to pump incendiary materials that were extended by the Israeli enemy to the Lebanese territories. A specialized army unit worked to dismantle it in the presence of UNIFIL members, and during that time, the army and UNIFIL members were exposed to hostile fire, however no casualties were reported.

Another joint patrol in the outskirts of the town of Aita al-Shaab in the south also found two similar hoses that were extended from the Israeli Tal al-Raheb center, and a specialized army unit also worked to dismantle them.

The army continues to take the necessary measures to monitor the situation at the southern border in coordination with UNIFIL.

Thursday  
11 Jan 2023

### South Africa accuses Israel before the International Court of Justice of violating the Genocide Convention

According to National News Agency, trial sessions began during which Israel and South Africa will face off before the International Court of Justice, the highest judicial body in the United Nations, after South Africa accused Israel of committing "acts of genocide" in the Gaza Strip, accusations that Israel described as "blood libel." In an 84-page complaint filed with the International Court of Justice based in The Hague, South Africa urged the judges to issue an urgent order for Israel to "immediately suspend its military operations" in the Gaza Strip.

South Africa accused Israel of violating the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide. South African Justice Minister Ronald Lamola said, "No armed attack on the territory of a state, no matter how serious it may be (...) can provide any justification for violations of the Convention." A lawyer from the South African delegation to the court, Adila Hashim, said that "the situation has reached such a point that experts have come to expect that a greater number of people will die as a result of hunger and disease" than as a result of direct military actions. She added that Israel had pushed the population in Gaza "to the brink of famine."

### Two paramedics were killed as a result of an Israeli raid on an emergency center in Hanin

According to a statement released by the National News Agency on January 11th, 2024, the Civil Defense Operations Room of the Islamic Organization announced in a statement, "Two members of the Civil Defense were martyred as a result of a direct Israeli attack on an ambulance center in the town of Hanin." The statement stated: "With greater pride and honor, the General Directorate of Civil Defense announces two martyrs from its members, the martyr Ali Mahmoud Al-Sheikh Ali (Rashaf) and the martyr Sajid Ramzi Qassem (Aita Al-Shaab), who were killed as a result of a direct Israeli attack on a civil defense center in the town of Hanin, and an ambulance was also destroyed."

Friday  
12 Jan 2023

### **The International Court of Justice listens to Israel's defense to accusations of genocide in Gaza**

According to Reuters, the International Court of Justice began on Friday 12th of Jan 2024, the second day of hearings in a case initiated by South Africa, in which it demands an immediate halt to the Israeli military campaign in Gaza as it says Israel is committing genocide against the Palestinian people.

### **Israeli forces shoot a Lebanese citizen opposite the Metulla settlement, wounding him in the foot**

Citizen Yasser Murad was injured by a gunshot from an Israeli soldier, opposite the Metulla settlement. The Lebanese Red Cross, which went to the scene, accompanied by members of the Lebanese Army and UNIFIL, transported the wounded man to Marjayoun Governmental Hospital.

Saturday and Sunday  
13 and 14 Jan 2023

### **Two missiles hit a house in Yarin, which led to its destruction**

A representative of the National News Agency reported that Israeli warplanes carried out an attack at approximately 1:15 pm on Saturday 14th, 2024, raiding a house in the border town of Yarin with two air-to-surface missiles, which led to its complete destruction. It was reported that there were injuries. Ambulance teams came to the scene.

### **Disaster Management Unit in Tyre: The number of displaced people has exceeded 23 thousand**

On Saturday 13th, 2024 the National News Agency reported that the Disaster Management Unit in the Union of Municipalities of Tyre District issued a statement about the number of displaced people registered in the unit's operations room, with the number exceeding 23 thousand displaced people. The statement praised the work of the Southern Council in terms of keeping pace with the displaced persons' crisis and securing food rations for all displaced families, in addition to permanently providing mattresses, baby formula, and hygiene supplies. The statement also pointed out that the increase in the number of displaced people came after the Israeli enemy expanded its attacks on the southern villages.

# REPORTING A VIOLATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS TO CLDH

If you wish to report an incident that may potentially constitute a violation of human rights, kindly send an email to the following address: [\*\*violations@cldh-lebanon.org\*\*](mailto:violations@cldh-lebanon.org)

You can also report an incident anonymously through our [\*\*website\*\*](#).

When making a report, please ensure to include the following information:

- **WHERE:** City/village, governorate, additional details (e.g. what prison)
- **WHAT:** Nature of the violation
- **HOW:** A narrative description of what happened
- **WHEN:** Date of the episode (at least the year, if day and month are unknown)
- **TO WHOM:** Information regarding the victim (name, nationality, gender, date of birth, city of origin, phone number). Only share this information with the consent of the person.
- **WHO** is the person reporting (name, phone number) and how were they identified (e.g., victim him/herself, family member, eyewitness, journalist, humanitarian worker...)

The information referred will remain completely private. It will be fact-checked and registered into CLDH's internal system. No action will be undertaken without the explicit and written consent of the reporter.



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