Foreign Ministry on 'Instrumentalization of Human Rights'

TEHRAN -- Iranian Foreign Ministry Spokesman Esmaeil Baghaei said Tuesday the instrumentalization of human rights discourses for political interests plus double standards and selective treatments seriously jeopardizes the integrity of the human rights framework. In a post on his X social media platform account, Baghaei wrote, "On Human Rights Day, humanity takes pride in its landmark achievement on 10 December 1948 when UNGA adopted the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR)." He added, "However, the instrumentalization of human rights discourses for political interests plus double standards and selective treatments continue to pose the most consequential threat to human rights by eriously jeopardizing the integrity of the human rights framework.

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Pakistani, Iranian FMs Discuss Syria Developments

TEHRAN – The foreign ministers of Iran and Pakistan have discussed the developments in Syria following the fall of government of President Bashar

In a telephone conversation, Iranian Foreign Minister Abbas Araqchi and his Pakistani counterpart Muhammad Ishaq Dar also reviewed the trend of relations between Tehran and Islamabad.

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Israeli Strike Wipes Out Entire Families in Gaza

GAZA STRIP (Dispatches) -- An Israeli airstrike targeting a residential building in Beit Hanoun, northern Gaza, on Monday evening wiped out two entire families from the Al-Kahlout household, comprising 25 indi-

The strike and others early on Tuesday martyred at least 34 Palestinians and left many others wounded, Gaza health authorities said.

Mahmoud Basal, the Palestinian Civil Defense spokesman, said the attack in Beit Hanoun occurred around 8 p.m. on Monday.

"The Israeli occupation forces targeted a multi-storey house in Beit Hanoun, this house belongs to the Kahlout family," said Basal.

"So far 16 people have been identified and they were taken from under the rubble. The rest remain under the rubble," said Basal adding that "until now civilians are trying to take them out. We're talking about at least five children and five women".

The Civil Defense reported that most of the victims were from the same family. Images shared online depicted the bodies being laid to rest in a single mass grave in the town.

"Northern Gaza, including Beit Lahia, Jabalia, and Beit Hanoun, is experiencing unprecedented devastation due to ongoing Israeli airstrikes, which have left hundreds dead and countless others trapped under rubble," said Basal.

"With the communications blackout, little information is making its way out of these areas, and the full extent of the destruction remains largely unknown," he added.

Many incidents are going unreported warned Basal, especially in the northern part of Gaza, where messaging, internet, and imaging equipment are scarce.

"The Kahlout family is no stranger to these massacres. The area has already witnessed numerous attacks, with the loss of thousands of lives.

"According to reports, more

than 3,700 people have died, with many buried under rubble or left on the streets. Some are still missing, and the fate of many others is unknown,"

He said the ongoing attacks on civilian infrastructure, including the health system, are part of a broader Israeli strategy to exhaust the remaining services in Gaza

The situation has become dire, with food and medical supplies scarce and the population facing systematic displacement and starvation.

"Apart from the massacres is the ongoing systematic starvation and displacement of the population in a systematic manner by the Israeli occupation. And because of this, we are facing a clearly and obvious massacre that the occupation carried out on the Kahlout family," Basal added.

Another airstrike targeted a home in the Nuseirat refugee camp in central Gaza, killing at least seven people and wounding several others, according to medics and emergency responders. Meanwhile, two more people were killed in an airstrike on Rafah in the south of the enclave.

In Deir al-Balah, near Gaza's coastline, Israeli naval forces reportedly detained six Palestinians from a fishing boat as they attempted to head out into Mediterranean waters earlier on Tuesday, local residents

Health officials have warned of the dire impact of electricity and resource shortages caused by Israel's blockade on northern Gaza now exceeding two months.

The Kamal Adwan Hospital in northern Gaza faces lifethreatening challenges for its 112 patients.

Hospital director Hussam Abu Safiyya reported the facility's electricity, water, and oxygen supplies were cut off, and shelling had inflicted structural damage. Amongst the patients, six are in critical condition, while 14 are children.

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Zionist Troops Within 25 km of Damascus

An Israeli military vehicle standing near the buffer zone on Sunday. DAMASCUS (Dispatches) -The occupying regime of Israel carried out a wave of heavy airstrikes across Syria as its troops advanced deeper into the country, a London-based Syrian opposition war monitor said Tues-

> Reporters in the capital heard heavy airstrikes overnight and into Tuesday on the city and its suburbs. Photographs circulat

ing online showed destroyed missile launchers, helicopters and warplanes.

There was no immediate comment from the militant and terrorist groups — led by Hayat Tahrir al-Sham, or HTS – that have taken control of much of the country. Their lightning advance brought an end to President Bashar al-Assad's administration after

nearly 14 years of foreignbacked war on Syria. There are concerns over what comes

In the immediate aftermath of Assad's fall, Zionist forces moved into a rough-400-square-kilometer (155-square-mile) buffer zone inside Syria that had been established after the 1973 Mid-

Israel has a long history of seizing territory during wars and occupying it indefinitely. The Zionist regime captured the Golan Heights from Syria in the 1967 Mideast War and annexed it in a move not recognized internationally, except by the United States.

The Britain-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights, which has closely tracked the conflict since the war erupted in 2011, said Israel has carried out more than 300 airstrikes across the country since the militants overthrew Assad.

The Observatory, and Beirutbased Mayadeen TV, which has reporters in Syria, said Israeli troops are advancing up the Syrian side of the border with Lebanon and had come within 25 kilometers (15 miles) of Damascus.

Israel's military had previously said troops would enter the buffer zone "and several other places necessary for its defense."

Zionist media meanwhile reported that the air force was methodically destroying Syria's

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U.S. Call for ICC Case Against Assad Draws Derision

Gallan Visits Washington Despite ICC Arrest Warrant

WASHINGTON (Dispatches) Yoav Gallant visited Washington DC Tuesday despite an ICC arrest warrant being issued against him. Gallant was met by protesters who said "Nobody wants you

here" and "You are a genocidal

war criminal"

The International Criminal arrest is based on his involvement in multiple war crimes and crimes against humanity against Palestinians in Gaza, on which he imposed a complete siege banning the entry of food, water and medicines.

Adas Israel, Washington's most prominent synagogue, abruptly canceled a Monday evening event with Gallant following objections from congregants.

In a related development, reporters mocked the hypocrisy of U.S. State Department spokesperson Matthew Miller during a press briefing, where he stated that the U.S. supports the ICC case against former Syrian President Bashar al-Assad but opposes cases against Israeli officials, including Israeli president Benjamin Netanyahu over the genocide which is leading in the besieged Gaza Strip.

Iran Slams 'Hypocritical' European Stance

NEW YORK (Dispatches) --Iran on Tuesday rejected Western allegations of non-compliance with its JCPOA commitments as "disingenuous and hypocritical," urging the European parties to the 2015 nuclear accord to abandon their campaign of pressure against Iran and make real efforts to revive the

In a letter to the UN Security Council and UN Chief Antonio Guterres, Iran's UN envoy Amir-Saeid Iravani responded to a joint statement by France, Germany,

and the UK that accused Iran of failing to honor its commitments under the 2015 nuclear deal and UNSC Resolution 2231, urging the country to halt what they termed as "nuclear escalation."

The European statement came after a report by the UN nuclear agency indicating that Tehran had stepped up uranium enrichment activity, fulfilling its pledge to respond to a Western-sponsored censure resolution criticizing the country for what was described as a lack of cooperation with the

Iran has reduced its commitments under the JCPOA over the past years following the re-imposition of sanctions lifted under the accord and the failure of European parties to compensate for the losses incurred by Iran.

Iravani's statement asserted that the E3 claims ignore the context of the U.S. withdrawal from the JCPOA in 2018 and the subsequent failure of the E3 to fulfill their commitments.

It stated that Iran has made sig-

nificant efforts to salvage the accord despite these challenges.

"Any allegation regarding Iran's implementation of its JCPOA commitments is fundamentally flawed when divorced from the full context of the U.S. withdrawal. Such a claim ignores Iran's sustained efforts to uphold the deal despite persistent provocations and violations by the U.S. and E3/EU, rendering it arbitrary and devoid of substantive valid-

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