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Israel/Occupied Territories: Amnesty International condemns suicide bombing

Amnesty International strongly condemns the suicide bombing which killed at least 14 people and injured about 50 others at the Karkur Junction in northern Israel yesterday. Responsibility for the bombing was claimed by the Palestinian armed group Islamic *Jihad*.

"Attacks on civilians are unjustifiable," the organization said today. "We reiterate our call on the leaders of all Palestinian armed groups to end attacks on civilians immediately."

Background

Amnesty International has recently published a report on attacks against civilians. The report *Without distinction -- attacks on civilians by Palestinian armed groups* documents 128 attacks in which more than 350 civilians, most of them Israeli, were killed since the beginning of the Al-Aqsa intifada in September 2000.

For more information please see: http://web.amnesty.org/web/web.nsf/pages/iot_home

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