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Statement attributable to the Spokesperson for the Secretary-General - on the situation in Gaza

Stéphane Dujarric, Spokesman for the Secretary-General

The Secretary-General condemns the strike this evening on Al Ahli Anglican Episcopal Hospital in Gaza, with preliminary reports of hundreds killed and many others wounded, including women and children.

He also condemns the attack on an UNRWA school earlier today in Al-Maghazi refugee camp in Gaza which killed at least six people.

The Secretary-General extends his sincere condolences to the families of the victims and wishes a swift recovery to those injured.

He emphasizes that hospitals, clinics, medical personnel, and UN premises are explicitly protected under international law.

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