

Boats to Gaza Stopped by Israeli Warships

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At 7:43 am (east coast time) ground support crew lost contact with two ships, the *Saoirse* of Ireland and the *Tahrir* of Canada, carrying 27 civilian passengers, medical supplies and letters of support for the people of Gaza. On board the *Tahrir* is one American, Kit Kittredge.

At 7:30 am the *Tahrir* was interrogated, via radio, by the Israeli Navy. The ships were approximately 48 nautical miles off the coastline, well into international waters. Asked by the Israeli Navy for their destination, Canadian activist Ehab Lotayef replied, "The conscience of humanity." When they repeated the question, asking for final destination, Lotayef said, "The betterment of mankind."

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