

Ceasefire Now! Stop Apartheid Israel's Genocide and Ethnic Cleansing of the Palestinian People

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An Angus Reid [poll](#) published on November 7 shows two-thirds of Canadians are calling for an immediate ceasefire.

On October 31, 25 close family members of Dr. Izzeldin Abuelaish professor of Global Health at the University of Toronto – including his sisters, nephews and nieces – were [killed in their homes](#) when apartheid Israel's occupation forces bombed the Jabalia refugee camp in the occupied Gaza Strip.

On November 11, apartheid Israel's occupation forces bombed the [Mahdi Maternity Clinic](#) in the occupied Gaza Strip killing Dr. Basel Mahdi along with his brother Dr. Raed Youssef Mahdi and his wife Iman Khreis and their seven children – Dr. Samira Mahdi, Youssef Mahdi, Ahmed Mahdi, Amro Mahdi, Mohammed Mahdi, Abboud Mahdi and Mira Mahdi.

On November 13, Palestinian Canadians paid their consolation to Rima Khreis, sister of Iman Khreis, at [Palestine House of Mississauga](#) for the massacre of her sister's family in the occupied Gaza Strip.

The [latest figure](#) released by the Palestinian Ministry of Health and reported by [Wafa news agency](#), was 11,180 civilians killed by Israel's occupation forces in the occupied Gaza Strip – including 4,609 children, 3,100 women, and 678 elderly people. The figure covers the casualties from October 7 to November 12.

There are reports of 3,250 people still missing or under the rubble, including 1,700 children.

During the same period, Israel's occupation forces and illegal settlers in the West Bank and East Jerusalem killed 195 Palestinians and injured at least 2,700.

Every day that passes allows apartheid Israel's occupation forces to kill more Palestinian children and women and to forcibly transfer them from their homes, hospitals, UN agencies, mosques and churches where they sought shelter.

Canadians want their government to stand unequivocally for human rights and peace, and prevent a repeat of the 1948 catastrophe that forced me along with 750,000 of my countrymen to leave our homeland, by calling for an immediate and permanent ceasefire in the occupied Gaza Strip.

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