

## Iran asks ICC to issue arrest warrants for Israeli leaders

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Iran is asking the International Criminal Court to bring to dock the Israeli leaders for their war crimes in Gaza over the past two years and the crimes against humanity they perpetrated in massive air strikes.

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President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad called on the United Nations court specialized in war crimes to sue the Israeli leaders for their crimes against humanity in Gaza Strip.

Meanwhile, members of the Iranian cabinet put the issue of the humanitarian crisis in Gaza and the issue of sending aid for Gazans on agenda of the Iranian cabinet.

Emphasizing the need for an immediate judicial action against the Israeli leaders, President Ahmadinejad that the ICC must send arrest warrants to the Israeli leaders by the Interpol.

Those involved by any means in such brutality "should be designated as war criminal and murderer," stressed the president.

The cabinet members have also made major decisions about the crisis in Gaza.

The Foreign Ministry will send Iranian request to the United Nations Special Court on War Crimes.

The leading Iranian lawyers will also prepare a law suit against the Israeli leaders in the international court by assistance of the Judiciary.

A special message from President Ahmadinejad will also be sent to heads of other countries in this connection.

Foreign Minister Manouchehr Mottaki told reporters at the end of the cabinet session that special envoys would be introduced within the next 48 hours to submit President Ahmadinejad's messages to the heads of other countries.

Members of the cabinet also decided to allocate part of their salary to the Gazans who are suffering from hard conditions under the Israeli siege.

Two days of Israeli strikes on Gaza have left around 300 deaths and 900 wounded.

Some 140 wounded are in critical conditions.

A Hamas advisor earlier told IRNA that Israel backed by the West and the United States,

aims to eradicate Hamas in Gaza.

Azam Tamimi also condemned Arab states for their silence.

The horrific brutality of Israel against civilians have triggered international outrage and shocked world public opinion.

Muslims and non-Muslims people in both Western and Islamic world staged protest rallies on Sunday condemning Israel's atrocities in Gaza.

They also called on heads of world countries to help stop Israeli genocide in Gaza.

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