

UN rights mission hears gruesome testimony on Gaza war

AFP, Gaza City

A UN human rights mission on Sunday listened as witnesses described in gruesome detail the Israeli shelling of the Hamas-ruled Gaza Strip during a three-week offensive at the turn of the year.

The delegation planned to hold two days of public hearings as part of its investigation into alleged war crimes committed during the 22-day offensive launched in late December, which killed 1,400 Palestinians and 13 Israelis.

The group is headed by Richard Goldstone, a South African judge who previously served as chief prosecutor for international criminal tribunals for the former Yugoslavia and Rwanda.

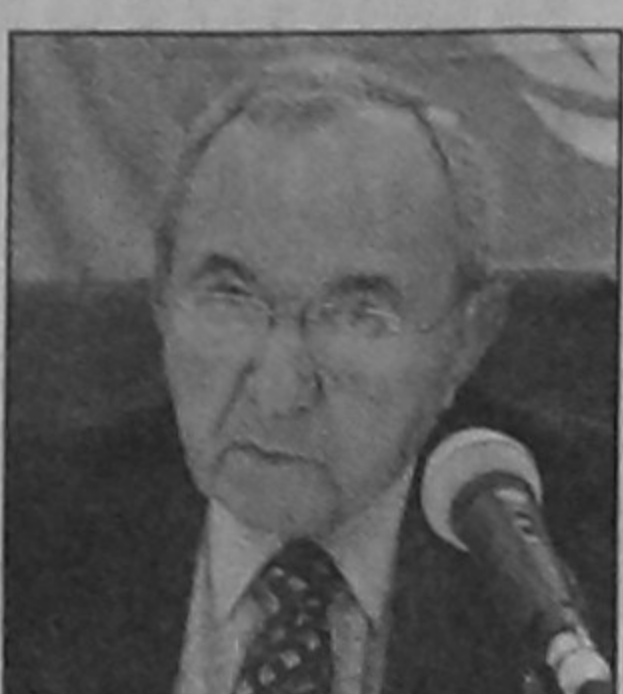
One of the first people to testify was Musa Silawi, a 91-year-old man who recounted an air strike on a mosque in the town of Jabaliya that killed 17 people, including his son and four other members of his extended family.

"After the evening prayers

we heard the shell hit the mosque and we had no idea what happened. We all started screaming, 'God help us!'" he said.

"I am 91 years old and I have never seen anything like this catastrophe."

A young wheelchair-bound man named Ziad al-Deeb described how he had been sitting at home with his family, savouring a brief pause in the fighting, when



Richard Goldstone, the head of UN human rights mission on devastating war in the Gaza Strip.

Israeli forces began shelling his neighbourhood.

"We were shocked when we heard the loud noise coming from the Israeli shelling, then one of the missiles landed on top of us. There were 11 people killed," he said.

"My legs were cut off, and then I looked and saw my father and my family. Most of them had been killed. The children were screaming."

One of the investigators asked if there had been any warning before the strike.

"There was no warning," Deeb said. "If there had been we would have left."

The mission was expected to look into several allegations of human rights violations that emerged in the aftermath of the assault, which Israel said was aimed at stemming Palestinian rocket fire from the Hamas-ruled enclave.

"The purpose of the public hearings in Gaza and Geneva is to show the faces and broadcast the voices of victims -- all of the victims," Goldstone said last week.

Palestinians launch new round of unity talks

AFP, Cairo

The two main rival Palestinian factions began a new round of talks in Cairo on Sunday, the official MENA news agency reported, facing a 10-day deadline for a reconciliation agreement.

"The two delegations, who had a working dinner on Saturday evening, met (on Sunday) for a sixth round of talks," MENA reported.

Cairo has been mediating talks between president Mahmud Abbas's Fatah party and the Islamist Hamas movement aimed at healing bitter divisions between the two since Hamas seized control of the Gaza Strip in 2007.

The factions will also meet intelligence chief Omar Suleiman ahead of a July 7 target date to sign an agreement which will lay out an electoral law, define the make-up of security forces and of a committee that will liaise between the Gaza Strip and the West Bank ahead of an election in 2010.

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>> Remittance by NRB Workers Inward: Opportunities & Risks

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>> Providing Bank Loans, Saving Plans & Policies to Bangladeshi Workers Abroad

Presented by: Dr. Abul Barkat

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>> The Acceleration of a Nation's Prosperity Through Vocational Skills' Acquisition

Presented by: Mr. Mohamed K Haq, CW Institute, Canada

Special Guest: Architect Yeafesh Osman

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>> Current Status of Local Manpower Business: Present & Future

Presented by: Mr. Ghulam Mustafa, President, BAIRA

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Hon'ble State Minister, Ministry of Labor and Employment

Chief Guest: Eng. Khandaker Mosharraf Hossain

Hon'ble Minister, Ministry of Expatriates' Welfare and Overseas Employment

Chair: Barrister Anisul Islam Mahmud

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Seminar 09

Room: Bokul Saturday, July 04, 2009 02:30 pm to 04:30 pm

>> Overseas Employment Opportunities & Creation of New Labor Market: Questions and Answers Session

Presented by: Dr. Arifur Rahman, Saudi Arabia

Special Guest: Dr. Hasan Mahmud

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Moderator: Mr. Mohammad Jahangir, Media Personality

Round Table Discussion

Saturday, July 04, 2009 | Venue: Polash Room | 02:30 pm to 04:30 pm

>> Improvement of Airport Services for NRB Workforce & General People

Discussion Raised By: M. E. Chowdhury Shameem, Founder & President, Scholars Bangladesh, Mr. Ghulam Mustafa, President, BAIRA,

Mr. M. A. Muhaimin Saleh, President, ATAB, Mr. Toufic Rahman, First Vice-President, TOAB

Special Guests: Mr. Hedayatullah Al Mamun, Acting Secretary, Ministry of Civil Aviation & Tourism

Chief Guest: Mr. Ghulam Muhammad Quader, Hon'ble Minister, Ministry of Civil Aviation & Tourism

Moderator: Mr. Abdul-Muyeed Chowdhury, Chairperson, BRAC BDMail Network Ltd.

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Welcome Speech: Dilara A Khan, CEO, Scholars Bangladesh

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Mr. Syed Ashraf Islam, Ministry of Local Government, Rural Development & Cooperatives

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