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PRCS Statement on Al Quds Hospital Evacuation Order

The Palestine Red Crescent Society (PRCS) was commanded by the Israeli Occupation Forces to evacuate PRCS Al Quds Hospital in Gaza City. The first deadline for evacuation was given to 06:00 a.m. of Saturday (14.10.2023), and then at mid-day Saturday a renewed deadline to evacuate by 16:00 hrs. Saturday (14.10.2023).

PRCS Al Quds Hospital is offering life-saving services to a large number of Palestinian patients and wounded, including critical cases in the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) and Children in incubators; in addition to hundreds of civilians who took refuge at the hospital. Accordingly, PRCS cannot evacuate the hospital, and by its humanitarian mandate is bound to continue the provision of services to the sick and wounded.

Besides, tens of thousands of Palestinians have also refused to leave their homes and Shelters at schools in the north of Gaza Strip, and are also in need of PRCS Health Services of Al Quds Hospital and Emergency Medical Services. As per its statement of 13.10.2023, PRCS Teams will continue to provide essential life-saving services to the people remaining.

Therefore, PRCS calls on World leaders, International community, UN system and International Movement of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies to influence and rescind the Israeli order of evacuation; and guarantee full Protection and safety of PRCS Facilities, Teams and Missions; according to the International Law and Geneva Conventions.

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