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Farwana: IOF kidnapped 3,060 Palestinians in first half of 2009

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GAZA, (PIC)-- Abdul Nasser Farwana, a former prisoner and prisoners' activist, affirmed that Israeli occupation forces kidnapped 3,060 Palestinians including children, women and fishermen in the first half of 2009 at a rate of 17 detainees per day.

He pointed out that 16 females, tens of children, and a number of MPs and Hamas politicians were among the kidnapped, stating that 1,000 citizens were taken into custody during the war on Gaza.

Meanwhile last June witnessed the release of Dr. Aziz Duweik, the Speaker of the Palestinian Legislative Council (PLC), and Jamal Huwail, a PLC member.

These kidnapping operations are not necessarily related to security measures as claimed by IOF and have no justification under the law, Farwana said, adding that they are carried out as a matter of routine; sometimes out of political or vengeful reasons.

The kidnapped people are used by IOF as bargaining and pressurizing tools against their organizations, he underlined.

The majority of the kidnapped are from the West Bank except those who were kidnapped during the war on Gaza, the activist said, pointing out that the fishermen were taken into custody and interrogated while their boats and equipment were impounded.

He charged that each kidnapped person was exposed to a form of physical or physiological torture or insult before family members and citizens.

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