



Polish Humanitarian Action

Polish Humanitarian Action condemns all acts of violence and human rights abuse, no matter the side of the conflict.

Civilians - both Palestinian and Israeli - pay the highest price in the cruel war that broke out on October 7. Shocking pictures shown in the media remind us of the brutality of this conflict.

As of today, we know that at least 1400 Israelis and more than 8000 Palestinians perished, and thousands were injured. More than a million people living in the Gaza Strip had to flee their homes, according to the UN.

In light of these events, it is vital to allow aid organizations access to the people in need, especially in the Gaza Strip, and ensure safe passage for humanitarian aid convoys. The already dire situation of the Palestinians will deteriorate rapidly. The decision of the Israeli government to suspend all water, food, fuel, and electricity supplies in the Gaza Strip and preparations for the Israeli military operation by land can lead to a large-scale humanitarian disaster. Medicine, food, and water supplies are depleting every day.

Humanitarian organizations guided by impartiality, neutrality, independence, and humanity principles have to remind of the suffering of innocent people and demand access to aid them. We, the international community, have a moral duty to help people affected by armed conflicts, regardless of nationality, ethnicity, religion, or gender.

At the moment, the heavily limited humanitarian aid in the Gaza Strip is provided only by organizations already present in the Gaza Strip and the UN agencies. Polish Humanitarian Action is prepared to aid both in Palestine and, if the need arises, in Israel. The condition for such action is to allow us access to people in need and to cease active military operations. Providing humanitarian aid during heavy shelling is not possible.