

**Insecurity Insight identified 14 incidents where people waiting for humanitarian aid convoys in Gaza were shot at by Israeli forces, often in tanks and helicopters between 02-15 March.** Most incidents took place at or near the Al Kuwaiti or Al Nabulsi roundabouts in Gaza city. In addition, four other incidents involved air-dropped humanitarian aid causing civilian harm or damage. At least five people were killed, including a five-year-old boy and many injured, and solar panels at the NGO Al-Ahli Baptist Hospital destroyed when they were hit by air-dropped humanitarian aid. In another incident, a Palestinian man was killed when ropes of an aid parachute wrapped around his neck and choked him to death while he was running towards the aid drop. See below for more details.

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## Safety, security and access incidents

Incidents of threats and violence affecting aid workers and aid delivery.

### Africa

#### *Central African Republic*

**07 March 2024:** In Birao city, Vakanga prefecture, an INGO compound was stormed by unidentified armed men who injured a bodyguard and kidnapped another one. **Source:** [AWSD](#)<sup>1</sup>

#### *Democratic Republic of the Congo*

**06 March 2024:** In Bahema-North locality, Djugu territory, Ituri province, the MSF-supported Drodro General Referral Hospital was attacked by CODECO militia during the night. The hospital, pharmacy and a health centre were looted, a patient killed and nursing staff and patients fled the premises. **Sources:** [Personal Communication](#), [MSF](#), and [UN News](#)

#### *Kenya*

**16 March 2024:** Along Yatya-Chemoe Road, Baringo county, bandits shot at a convoy loaded with food aid. **Source:** [Citizen Digital](#)

#### *Mozambique*

**03 March 2024:** In Ibo Island, Cabo Delgado province, the circulation of terrorist groups in the vicinity of the island has prompted the withdrawal of collaborators of the main NGOs as a precaution. **Source:** [Club of Mozambique](#)

#### *Nigeria*

**As reported on 17 March 2024:** In Bama town, Borno state, two members of a third party support team involved in a multi-purpose cash assistance programme, which is managed by IOM and Mercy Corps, were reportedly suspended over allegations of fraudulent activities. **Source:** [HumAngle](#)

#### *South Sudan*

**05 March 2024:** In Ruweng Administrative Area, an off-duty 43-year-old male humanitarian worker was killed and a woman injured in an attack by cattle raiders. **Source:** [Eye Radio](#)

**09 March 2024:** In Payuel Payam, Jonglei State, a UN-contracted international driver was ambushed and killed by an unidentified group of youth. **Source:** [AWSD](#)<sup>1</sup>

**14 March 2024:** In Malakal, Upper Nile state, an UN-contracted security guard was injured by an IDP attempting to enter a POC compound. **Source:** [AWSD](#)<sup>1</sup>

### **Sudan**

**07 March 2024:** In Kadugli city, South Kordofan state, an ICRC vehicle was reportedly looted by an unidentified armed group while on a field visit. **Source:** [ACLED](#)<sup>2</sup>

**14 March 2024: Update:** In Khartoum state, volunteers from the LNGO Hadhreen restores communication with 21 of the 25 community kitchens they support, specifically by travelling to Shendi town, River Nile state, where internet connection has become available, and where the LNGO could receive donations via banking apps. **Source:** [Radio Dabanga](#)

## **Asia**

### **Myanmar**

**18 March 2024:** In Yway Su village and village tract, Madaya township, Kyaukse district, Mandalay region, an LNGO office and an ambulance were torched by the Myanmar military. Another LNGO vehicle was taken away by the Myanmar military. **Sources:** [Democratic Voice of Burma](#) and [Khit Thit Media](#)

## **Europe**

### **Ukraine**

**02 March 2024:** In Kupiansk city and raion, Kharkiv oblast, A 55-year-old male volunteer was injured during the attack by the Russian forces. **Sources:** [Kharkiv Regional Prosecutor's Office](#), [Radio Freedom](#) and [Telegram](#)

**15 March 2024:** In Odessa city, urban hromada, raion and oblast, a 39-year-old male rescuer of the State Emergency Service responding to an earlier strike was killed by a second strike targeting the same location. Several others got injured, one of whom died in the Odessa hospital the next day. **Sources:** [Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine](#), [Inkorr](#), [Enovosty](#), [Mahala](#), [New Format](#), [OCHA](#), [SUD](#) and [State Emergency Service of Ukraine](#)

## **Middle East and North Africa**

### **Egypt**

**As reported on 18 March 2024:** In Al-Rish city, Sinai governorate, Israeli authorities have rejected a delivery of international aid including oxygen, incubators, water and sanitation gear from entering Gaza. The aid, which originates from many humanitarian organisations, has been rejected due to unpredictable and chaotic approval, scanning and inspection by Israeli authorities. The reasons for the recent rejection is unclear and the aid is now stockpiled in the city. **Source:** [Quds News Network](#)

### **Libya**

**02 March 2024:** 70km from the Libyan coast, during a rescue mission by the SOS Humanity NGO, armed Libyan coast guards fire live ammunition towards three boats overcrowded with asylum seekers. The coast guards fire a second round of live ammunition at the migrants who jumped in the sea. One person drowned and the humanitarian workers were forced to leave the area. **Source:** [Info Migrants](#)

### **Occupied Palestinian Territories**

**02 March 2024:** On Rashid Road, Gaza city and governorate, one Palestinian was killed and over 20 injured by suspected Israeli gunfire while seeking humanitarian aid. **Source:** [OCHA Flash 131](#)

**03 March 2024:** At Kuwaiti Roundabout, Gaza city and governorate, tens of casualties were reported as people gathered to receive aid supplies. **Source:** [OCHA Flash 131](#)

**06 March 2024:** Near Kuwaiti Roundabout, Gaza city and governorate, a Palestinian was killed and nine others injured when Israeli forces fired at civilians waiting for food aid convoys. **Source:** [WAFA](#)

**06 March 2024:** Near Al Nabulsi Roundabout, Gaza city and governorate, four Palestinians were killed and over twenty others injured when Israeli forces machine-gun fired on civilians waiting for aid food convoys. **Sources:** [Quds News Network](#) and [WAFA](#)

**07 March 2024:** Near Al Nabulsi Roundabout, Gaza city and governorate, Israeli tanks surrounded and fired upon hundreds of people waiting for food aid convoys. **Source:** [Quds News Network](#)

**07 March 2024:** At Karem Abu Salem border crossing, Israeli settlers gathered to prevent humanitarian aid from entering Gaza. **Source:** [Quds News Network](#)

**07 March 2024:** Near Kuwait Roundabout, Gaza city and governorate, three people were killed and 15 others injured when Israeli tanks and military vehicles fired artillery shells towards civilians waiting for humanitarian trucks loaded with flour. **Source:** [WAFA](#)

**07 March 2024:** In Tubas city and governorate, PRCS teams were prevented from reaching five civilians who were beaten and injured by Israeli soldiers during a raid on the town. **Source:** [WAFA](#)

**08 March 2024:** Near Kuwaiti Roundabout, Gaza city and governorate, Israeli forces opened fire at civilians waiting for food aid convoys. **Source:** [Quds News Network](#)

**08 March 2024:** In Gaza city and governorate, at least five Palestinians, including a five-year-old boy were killed when they were hit by air-dropped humanitarian aid near Al Fayrouz Towers. A malfunction in the parachutes was blamed. **Source:** [OCHA Flash 136](#) and [Quds News Network I](#) and [Quds News Network II](#)

**08 March 2024:** In the Gaza Strip, an NGO aid worker was killed. **Source:** [OCHA Flash 136](#)

**08 March 2024:** In Deir al Balah governorate, an NGO logistics coordinator and 30-50 others were killed in an Israeli airstrike on a shelter. His wife and two of his children were also injured. The coordinates of the shelter had reportedly been shared with the Israeli authorities. **Sources:** [ANERA](#) and [OCHA Flash 136](#)

**As reported on 09 March 2024:** According to an UNRWA report, its staffers who had been detained by Israeli authorities were pressured into falsely stating that UNRWA has Hamas links, and that staff took part in the 07 October massacre. They were also maltreated via beating, waterboarding, and threats to harm family members. **Source:** [Quds News Network](#)

**As reported on 09 March 2024: Update:** Sweden and Canada announced the resumption of funding for UNRWA, after they suspended it alongside 15 other nations in late-January. **Source:** [WAFA](#)

**09 March 2024:** Near Kuwaiti Roundabout, Gaza city and governorate, five people were killed and several injured when Israeli forces opened fire at civilians waiting for food aid convoys. Casualties were taken to Kamal Adwan Hospital. **Sources:** [Quds News Network](#) and [WAFA](#)

**09 March 2024:** In Al Sudaniyyah, Israeli gunboats opened fire at civilians waiting for food aid. **Source:** [Quds News Network](#)

**09 March 2024:** In Gaza city and governorate, an unspecified number of civilians were hit by airdropped aid boxes. **Source:** [Quds News Network](#)

**10 March 2024:** In Beit Lahia city, North Gaza governorate, Israeli forces opened fire at civilians gathered to receive airdropped aid. **Source:** [Quds News Network](#)

**11 March 2024:** In Gaza city and governorate, at least 38 people were injured after Israeli forces opened fire at civilians waiting for aid. The injured were taken to Al Shifa Hospital. **Source:** [Quds News Network](#)

**12 March 2024:** At Kuwaiti Roundabout, Gaza city and governorate, nine people were killed and more than 20 injured after Israeli forces hit civilians waiting for aid. **Sources:** [Quds News Network](#) and [WAFA](#)

**13 March 2024:** In Rafah, Gaza Strip, up to six people, including an UNRWA staff member, were killed and 22 injured when an Israeli airstrike hit an UNRWA facility, which serves as both a warehouse and a distribution centre. It was one of the few remaining UNRWA distribution centres in the Gaza Strip. According to UNRWA Commissioner-General Philippe Lazzarini, the Israeli army had the coordinates of all UNRWA facilities across the Gaza Strip. **Sources:** [OCHA Flash 139](#), [Quds News Network I](#) and [Quds News Network II](#)

**13 March 2024:** In Gaza city and governorate, boxes of airdropped aid fell on the solar panels of NGO Al-Ahli Baptist Hospital destroying them. **Source:** [Quds News Network](#)

**13 March 2024:** At Al Kuwaiti Roundabout, Gaza city and governorate, six Palestinians were shot and killed and 60 injured when Israeli forces opened fire at civilians waiting for aid supplies at around 20:00. **Sources:** [OCHA Flash 140](#) and [Quds News Network](#)

**13 March 2024:** In Rafah governorate, an Israeli drone attack hit an UNRWA warehouse, killing at least one employee, and injuring at least 22 others. **Sources:** [AWS<sup>1</sup>](#), [Jeune Afrique](#), [OCHA I](#) and [OCHA II](#)

**14 March 2024:** In Nuseirat Refugee Camp, Deir al-Balah governorate, an aid distribution centre was hit by Israeli airstrikes, killing eight Palestinians and injuring dozens of others. **Source:** [Quds News Network](#)

**14 March 2024:** At Al Kuwaiti Roundabout, Gaza city and governorate, 50 Palestinians were killed and over 155 others injured when an Israeli forces in a helicopter opened fire at civilians waiting for aid supplies. The next day, Israeli forces opened fire again at residents attempting to recover dead bodies. **Sources:** [OCHA](#), [OCHA Flash 140](#), [Personnel Communication](#), [Quds News Network](#) and [Quds News Network II](#)

**15 March 2024:** At Al Kuwaiti Roundabout, Gaza city and governorate, at least one person was killed and others injured when Israeli forces opened fire at civilians waiting for aid supplies. **Sources:** [Quds News Network](#)

**15 March 2024:** Australia reinstated funding to the UNRWA and called on Israel to allow lifesaving supplies into the besieged territory right away. **Source:** [Quds News Network](#)

**15 March 2024:** In the Old City of Jerusalem, PRCS ambulances were blocked by Israeli soldiers from entering Al-Aqsa mosque to provide medical services to worshippers on the first Friday prayer of Ramadan. Israeli soldiers also prevented the PRCS teams from bringing in their equipment and setting up their medical stations in the mosque's courtyards. **Sources:** [PRCS](#), [Quds News Network I](#), [Quds News Network II](#) and [WAFA](#)

**15 March 2024:** In Al-Zaytouna Military Checkpoint, east Jerusalem, PRCS ambulance crews were prevented by Israeli soldiers from being present at the checkpoint to provide medical services to worshippers heading to Jerusalem through the checkpoint. **Source:** [WAFA](#)

**17 March 2024:** In northern Gaza, a Palestinian man was killed when ropes of an aid parachute wrapped around his neck and choked him to death while he was running towards the aid drop. **Source:** [Quds News Network](#)

**17 March 2024: Update:** In Khan Yunis city and governorate, a PRCS volunteer was released from detention after being held for 36 days. The volunteer was arrested during a raid on the NGO Al-Amal Hospital in February. 13 PRCS members and volunteers are still being detained. **Source:** [PRCS](#)

# The Americas

## Haiti

**As reported on 05 March 2024:** In Port-au-Prince, in the midst of escalated unrest fuelled by the escape of around 4,700 inmates from a major prison, operations at the largest public hospital and its mobile clinics in several sites were suspended. At the same time, MSF re-opened its Turgeau emergency centre, and opened its new Carrefour Hospital, though ambulances have been prevented from transporting patients due to insecurity and improvised roadblocks. **Sources:** [Bukvy](#), [New Age I](#) and [New Age II](#)

**As reported on 09 March 2024:** In Port-au-Prince, dozens of internationals, including humanitarian and missionary workers from the USA and Canada, have been locked down in hotels and homes, unable to leave by air, sea or land, as violence between armed gangs and police continues. **Source:** [New Age](#)

**16 March 2024:** In Port-au-Prince, a UNICEF container loaded with vital supplies for maternal, neonatal, and child health was looted at the main port by armed bandits, occurring at a critical time when these resources are essential for children. **Sources:** [ReliefWeb](#) and [RFM](#)

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<sup>1</sup>The [Aid Worker Security Database](#) (AWSDB) does not include the names of individual victims or the agencies affected by an incident. This is done in consideration of the victims and their families who may not wish to have the names published in this format and to afford equal respect to the many victims for whom this information is not available. Accessed 21 March 2024.

<sup>2</sup> Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project (ACLED) [database attribution policy](#). Accessed 21 March 2024.

