





## Hamas is exploiting civilian infrastructure for military purposes in Gaza

## Hamas tunnel system exploits civilian areas for military infrastructure

As part of Hamas's combat strategy, **they operate in a civilian environment.** Their intent is to make it **difficult for the IDF to locate and engage their military infrastructure**, and at the same time to hamper the legitimacy of the IDF and the State of Israel.

The IDF Southern Command, in cooperation with the Intelligence Directorate and the ISA maintains an ongoing intelligence effort to expose Hamas's military-operational infrastructure, which has so far led to the uncovering of significant Hamas military assets.

A significant part of their military infrastructure uses civilian infrastructure, including public buildings (schools, mosques, etc.) and residences.

The location of the tunnel shafts in these buildings is intended to disguise them under civilian cover. In wartime, these exploited locations become legitimate military targets under international law. In light of this, every citizen who allows terrorist organizations to use his property for military purposes endangers his life, his family's lives and his property.



## <u>Building A - Al-Shati Area</u>

House Coordinates: 31°33'05.9"N 34°28'07.9"E

- The building was built in the last two years.
- The building has 6 floors and a parking lot beneath it.
- Located beneath the building is an entrance to a tunnel network used by the Hamas terrorist organization.





## **Building B - Beit Lahia**

House Coordinates: 31°32'45.2"N 34°29'52.8"E

- Home of Omar Mohammad Mahmoud Hamad active member of Hamas.
- Lives with his father and brother in the house.
- ID: 905278529
- Married with 5 children
- The building holds an entrance to a Hamas tunnel that connects the nearby mosque.



