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19 November 2012 - Two more Palestinian journalists injured

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Israeli warplanes again fired missiles this afternoon at the Al-Shuruk media building in the west Gaza City district of Rimal, injuring two more journalists – *Al-Arabiya* cameraman **Ahmed Al-Ridi** and **Ahmed Al-Achkar**, a cameraman with *Houna Al-Quds TV*, a local station.

Doctors at Gaza City's Al-Shifa Hospital said the two journalists had sustained light injuries and were allowed to go home two hours after being admitted.

A spokesman for the Israel Defence Forces said the target was Ramez Harb, head of media for Saraya Al-Quds, the armed wing of the Gaza-based group Islamic Jihad, who was killed in the airstrike.

The building nonetheless houses the offices of several foreign and local media and today's airstrike damaged the *Al-Arabiya* and *Houna Al-Quds* bureaux

In an [interview](#) yesterday for *Al-Jazeera*, Israeli government spokesman Mark Regev said the IDF could not treat *Al-Aqsa TV* employees as "legitimate journalists" like *BBC* or *Al-Jazeera English* journalists.

Reporters Without Borders condemns Regev's position and points out that news media enjoy the same rights as civilians under humanitarian law and their offices cannot be regarded as military targets.

Reporters Without Borders secretary-general Christophe Deloire yesterday said that support for Hamas could not be used as grounds for attacking a news organization. "Attacks on civilian targets are war crimes and serious violations of the Geneva Conventions," Deloire said. "Those responsible must be identified."

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