UN Adds Israel to Monitoring List Over Allegations



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Israel has reportedly been added to a special United Nations monitoring list over allegations of wartime sexual violence, a move that has sparked renewed international debate and tension.

The decision triggered a strong reaction from Israel. Israeli Ambassador to the United Nations Danny Danon announced that Israel would suspend all forms of communication with UN Secretary-General António Guterres. He accused the United Nations of spreading what he described as false and biased claims against Israel.

In response, the United Nations stated that the door for dialogue and discussion remains open. The organization said the allegations are being treated seriously and that further investigation and review processes are continuing.

UN Special Rapporteur Reem Alsalem emphasized that allegations of violence against women and children during armed conflicts must be handled with utmost seriousness and called for more rigorous investigations into the claims.

Earlier, a UN report had mentioned allegations of abuse and sexual violence against Palestinian detainees by Israeli security forces, claims that Israel has strongly denied.

The broader backdrop to the controversy remains the Gaza war that began in 2023. Since the outbreak of the conflict, relations between Israel and the United Nations have remained increasingly strained. The latest development has further intensified tensions and reignited global discussions surrounding the issue.