Tiny Infant Hurt in Mom’s Race for Shelter from Hamas Rocket Fire

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A three-week-old infant was seriously injured late Thursday night when her post-partum mom was forced to make a run for safety to a bomb shelter when the Red Alert incoming rocket siren activated in the southern Israeli city of Sderot.

Gaza terrorists launched three rockets at Jewish communities in the Shaar HaNegev Regional Council district along the border area, triggering the Red Alert siren and sending hundreds of sleepy families racing for cover.

The mom, “about 30 years old,” was carrying her newborn as she raced down the stairs to the bomb shelter when she tripped and fell.

The tiny infant sustained head injuries. The new mother was also bruised, according to medics from the Hatzalah emergency medical response team in Sderot.

Magen David Adom paramedics Nathaniel Yamin and Alex Schmiss said that when they arrived, they found the baby in her father’s arms. “She was barely conscious and suffering from a head injury. Nearby the mother, about 30, was fully conscious and suffering from dry bruises. We gave them medical treatment and quickly evacuated them to the hospital. The baby was in fair to serious condition and the mother was in good condition. We were told they fell down the stairs of the house when they ran into the protected space at the time of the alarm.”

Both mother and infant were taken to Soroka Medical Center, a Level One Trauma Center located in Be’er Sheva.