13 Rockets Fired from Gaza After IDF Strikes Balloon Launcher’s Vehicle

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Palestinian terror groups fired at least thirteen rockets on Israel from the Gaza Strip on Tuesday evening, according to the  IDF Spokesperson's Unit.

Three of the rockets fired were intercepted by the Iron Dome and at least three launching sites were spotted by the IDF in the Gaza Strip.

The IDF Spokesperson's Unit confirmed that three of the rockets were fired in the direction of Sderot, Sha'ar HaNegev and Sdot Negev.

The rockets were fired by Hamas after an IAF strike was reported by Palestinian media sources in which a car owned by a Hamas militant responsible for launching incendiary balloons was targeted in the Nuseirat refugee camp on Tuesday night.

It was reported that the car was blown up while empty.

The IDF spoksperson's unit released a statement that it used a tank and an aircraft "to strike a car owned by a Hamas militant active in a unit that sent terror balloons into Israel and two Hamas observation points north of the Gaza Strip."

The statement said that Hamas bears full responsibility "for the terror and instability."

Hamas accused Israel of escalating the violence by attacking what it called unarmed protesters and resistance members.

In a statement issued by the group on Wednesday morning,its spokesperson said the IDF attack "led to a rapid response by the Palestinian resistance."

"Everything that results form the Zionist occupier's stupid behavior proves that its policies are miscalculations doomed to fail. It will pay for the consequences," the statement added. Following security assessments it was decided that schools in the region would operate normally and indication that as far as Israel is concerned, this round of violence is over.