'Top secret' Hamas documents show that terrorists intentionally targeted elementary schools and a youth center

Documents exclusively obtained by <u>NBC News</u> show that Hamas created detailed plans to target elementary schools and a youth center in the Israeli kibbutz of Kfar Sa'ad, to "kill as many people as possible," seize hostages and quickly move them into the Gaza Strip.

The attack plans, which are labeled "top secret" in Arabic, appear to be orders for two highly trained Hamas units to surround and infiltrate villages and target places where civilians, including children, gather. Israeli authorities are still determining the death toll in Kfar Sa'ad.

The documents were found on the bodies of Hamas terrorists by



Hamas maps of Kibbutz Kfar Aza, Nahal Oz, and Alumim recovered from the bodies of Hamas by Israeli first responders. Obtained by NBC News

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They include detailed maps a n d that show Hamas intended to kill o r take hostage civilians and school children.

One page labeled "Top Secret" outlines a plan of attack for Kfar Sa'ad, saving "Combat unit 1" is directed to "contain the new Da'at school," while "Combat unit 2" is to "collect hostages," "search the Bnei Akiva youth center" and "search the old Da'at school."

Another page labeled "Top Secret Maneuver" describes a plan for a Hamas unit to secure the east side of Kfar Sa'ad while a second unit controls the west. It says "kills as many as possible" and "capture hostages." Other orders include surrounding a dining hall and holding hostages in it.

The Israeli officials said that the wider group of documents show that Hamas had been systematically gathering intelligence on each kibbutz bordering Gaza and creating specific plans of attack for each village that included the intentional targeting of women and children. "The dental office, the supermarket, the dining hall," an Israel Defense Forces source said. "The level of specificity would cause anyone in the intelligence field's jaw to drop."

The plan of coordinated attacks flies in the face of recent claims by Hamas that it did not kill children.

Two Hamas units were to approach Kfar Sa'ad separately from two different assembly points, according to the documents. The also described the numbers and types of vehicles to be used by each group.

"Group 1 assembly point: HAMZA transportation: one jeep and four motorbikes...

"Group 2 assembly point: ABDEL RAHMAN transportation: one jeep and four motorbikes."

Exactly how the vehicles should drive to the target villages was also laid out:

"Length of platoon train: approximately 125 meters...

"Shape and length of each group on the motorbikes: 50 meters for each group."