

# [***FACT CHECK: Does This Video Show Crisis Actors In Gaza?; The video is from a behind-the-scenes production of a short film in 2022***](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:6C2Y-06J1-DXXD-70KX-00000-00&context=1516831)

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A post[*shared on social media*](https://www.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1123408615438631&id=100074168058984&rdid=BBZZACheRe6Gu4XP) purportedly shows a recent video of Palestinian crisis actors staging a violent incident in Gaza.

**Verdict: False**

The video is from a behind-the-scenes production of a short film in 2022.

**Fact Check:**

Palestinians are fleeing Rafah after Israel issued an order to evacuate, [*The Associated Press*](https://apnews.com/article/israel-gaza-war-hamas-evacuation-rafah-satellite-1889ea03d0eb7cd7590eebdf448b291a) reported. The IDF expects the war to last another six months and claimed that the operation in the city would be limited in scope.

A post shared on Facebook allegedly shows people staging the violent death of a child and then shows the organizers laughing. The video is captioned “Gazawood Productions.”

The claim is inaccurate. The video dates back to [*2022*](https://www.tiktok.com/@m_zaqout/video/7064992795966049537) before the war in Gaza. The video is behind-the-scenes footage of the production of a short film.

The translation of the text overlay in the TikTok video posted by a creator named Mahmoud Maher Zaqout reads, “A New Movie.” [***(RELATED: Video Claims To Show King Of Denmark Waving Palestinian?)***](https://checkyourfact.com/2024/05/16/fact-check-video-claims-to-show-king-of-denmark-waving-palestinian-flag/)

Zaqout responded to the rumors that this video is related to the current war in Gaza and that he staged a tragedy. [*Reuters*](https://www.reuters.com/fact-check/behind-the-scenes-footage-2022-short-film-falsely-linked-2024-gaza-war-2024-05-20/) archived an Instagram story from Zaqout on May 16 that this video was part of a movie production. The [*post's text reads*](https://archive.org/details/gaza-child_20240517_0610), “For the record, this is a behind the scenes clip from an old movie that was filmed in the year 2022 while preparing the location for the movie.”

This is not the first time misinformation has been shared online. Check Your Fact [*debunked*](https://checkyourfact.com/2024/05/14/fact-check-democrats-american-flag-inclusive/) a claim Democrats are trying to make the American flag “more inclusive.”

**Graphic**

Palestinians inspect the damage after their homes were destroyed during an Israeli operation at Rafah refugee camp Southern Gaza Strip October 19, 2003. Israeli forces shot dead two militants, a woman bystander and a teenager in fighting on Saturday. Three of the deaths were in southern Gaza, where troops withdrew from one refugee camp on Sunday after a four-day raid but remained in another. REUTERS/STR SJS/GM

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