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Kate issues apology for 'confusion' over edited photo

LONDON

ate, Britain's Princess of Wales, issued an apology on social media yesterday for "any confusion" caused by an edited photograph which had been issued by her office Kensington Palace the previous day.

Several leading news organisations including Reuters withdrew the picture of Kate, 42, posing with her three children after post-publication analysis showed it did not meet their editorial standards.

"Like many amateur photographers, I do occasionally experiment with editing," Kate wrote on X. "I wanted to express my apologies for any confusion the family photograph we shared yesterday caused."

In the picture a smiling Kate, 42, was shown posing with her beaming children Princes George and Louis and Princess Charlotte in Windsor.

Reuters picture editors said part of the sleeve of Kate's daughter's cardigan did not line up properly, suggesting that the image had been altered.

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FIRST IFTAR OF THE HOLY MONTH

Hundreds of UAE residents from all walks of life enjoy the first iftar of the holy month of Ramadan at the Al Farooq Omar Bin Al Khattab Mosque, popularly known as the Blue Mosque, in Dubai, yesterday. **SEE ALSO P2**



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Hamas No 2 military head likely killed

ISRAEL SEEKS TO CONFIRM DEATH OF ISSA AFTER STRIKES ON HIDEOUT

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srael was checking yesterday whether Hamas's deputy military leader died in an air strike in Gaza, media said, as prospects faded of talks securing a ceasefire to coincide with Ramadan.

If his death is confirmed, Marwan Issa would be the highest-ranking official from the Islamist militant movement killed by Israel in five months of war that have pulverised the enclave.

Israeli Army Radio said the Al Nusseirat camp in central Gaza had been bombed on Saturday night following intelligence about the location of Issa, second-in-command of Hamas's military wing, the Izz El Deen Al Qassam Brigades.

Five killed in attack

The attack killed five people, the report said.

Israeli newspaper The Haaretz reported that Israel was checking whether the fatalities included Issa.

A Palestinian source said the Israelis had hit a place where they thought Issa was hiding, but could give no details of his fate. Neither the Israeli military nor Hamas officials immediately commented on the reports.

On Sunday, in a statement rounding up operations from the previous 24 hours, Israel said its forces had killed militants in central Gaza but did not mention the camp.

Issa, nicknamed the 'Shadow Man' for his ability to stay off Israel's radar screens, was one of three top Hamas leaders who planned the October 7 attack and are believed to have been directing Hamas' military operations since then.

He was on Israel's "most wanted" list, together with Mohammed Deif, commander of the Izz El Deen Al Qassam Brigades, and Hamas's Gaza leader, Yahya Sinwar. – Reuters

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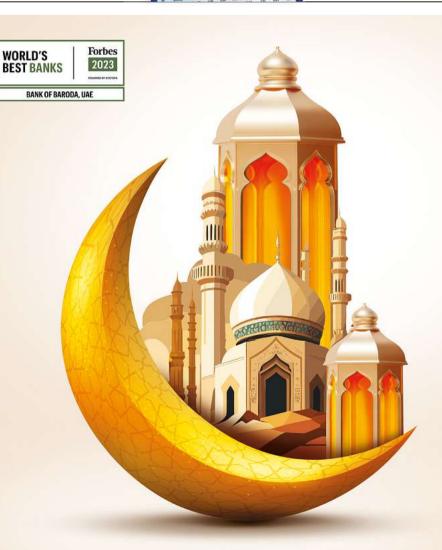


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