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Reacting to the news of the Israeli Forces' evacuation order for 1.5 million displaced people in Rafah, an ActionAid spokesperson said: "Forcing over a million displaced Palestinians from Rafah to evacuate without a safe destination is not only unlawful but would lead to catastrophic consequences.

Our aid workers are reporting some of the most severe conditions in recent memory with widespread disease, starvation, and chaos. Let us be clear: there are no safe zones in Gaza.

The international community must act swiftly to prevent further atrocities and hold themselves as well as the Israeli government to account. If an invasion of Rafah is your "red line," will you do everything possible to stop this imminent attack?"

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Ziad Issa is available as a spokesperson, please contact the press office to arrange.

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