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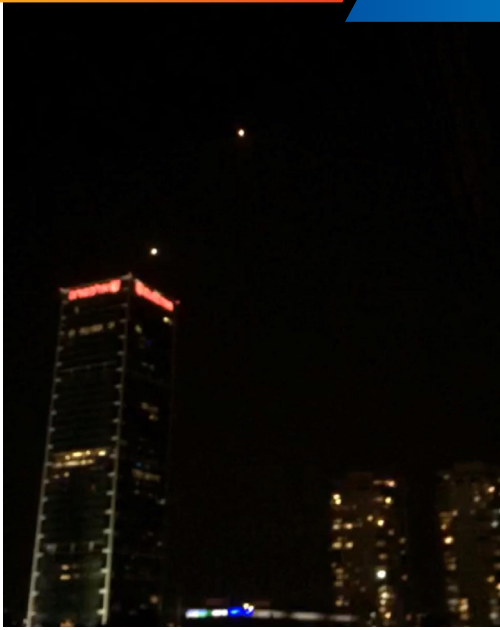
MDA's Protected National Operations Center Proves Its Value Two Weeks After Inauguration

MDA's brand new protected National Operations Center received many calls from civilians who heard the explosions. MDA teams were dispatched to search the scenes. Simultaneously many calls were received in numerous cities of people suffering from stress symptoms. They were treated and evacuated to hospitals.

This attack comes 2 weeks after the National Operations Center was inaugurated in Kiryat Ono.

Threats against Israel are ever-changing and growing and come from around the world. Thus, it is crucial that MDA's nerve center, the National Operations Center (NOC) be protected against any and all threats. The current renovations include state of the art technology designed to protect the safety of Israel and its citizens during times of crisis. The NOC is equipped with a special filter system designed to filter air in the event of a chemical attack. This system functions such that with the touch of a button, the air conditioning system shuts down, and a closed system is activated to filter and circulate





clean air for occupants of the room to breathe, thus, allowing the National Operations Center to continue its normal operations during a chemical attack. This is crucial to the safety not only of the MDA personnel, but also for the safety of the general public who are likely to need MDA services during such an incident.

Part of this filter system is an airlock which is designed to assist in continuing operations even under chemical warfare, without contaminating the clean air being filtered by the filter system.

Previously, all safe rooms were built using one method of heavy cinderblocks and cement to reinforce the room and protect against explosions. The NOC is

being built using state of the art technology which covers the building in millimeters thin material to protect against blasts. This will protect the National Operations Center in the event of rockets, or other blast. The current NOC is fully protected such that in the case of a blast, operations will not be disrupted and can continue as normal even with the threat of rockets or other explosives.

The center has many storage facilities which are used for medical and technological equipment. Currently, one such storage room has been transformed into a safe room using elastic based material to coat the cement, which is designed to keep its occupants safe from blasts.

