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A BBC spokesperson

"The BBC, like all international news operations, has been unable to operate within Gaza, so we have kept audiences informed of what is happening through first-hand testimony and filming of what is happening. We have used a small number of carefully selected freelance crews in Gaza. The BBC retains editorial control over everything it broadcasts.

"The BBC has repeatedly called upon the Israeli authorities to give international journalists independent access to Gaza, to report the situation on the ground. Last year we joined with international news agencies to make a joint plea for access."