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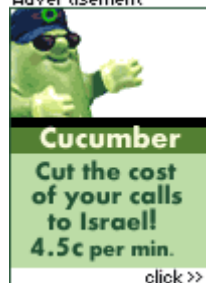
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Hamas militant sentenced for part in 2001 suicide bombing

By Haaretz Service

A female Hamas terrorist was sentenced on Thursday to 16 consecutive life sentences and 15 additional years in prison at the military tribunal sitting at the Ofer military camp, for her involvement in the 2001 suicide bombing at a Jerusalem Sbarro restaurant.

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Hamas member Ahlam Tamimi drove the suicide bomber on August 9, 2001 to the site of the attack, that claimed the life of 15 and wounded more than a hundred others. Tamimi did not express regret for her actions.

The suicide bomber, 23-year-old Ahmed Al-Masari, a member of the Hamas military wing Iz a Din al-Kassam, carried an explosive device hidden in a hand bag weighing a few kilograms and littered with hundreds of metal nuts and bolts.

A month prior to the Sbarro attack, an explosive device placed by Tamimi at a Jerusalem grocery store detonated but did not cause any damage.


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