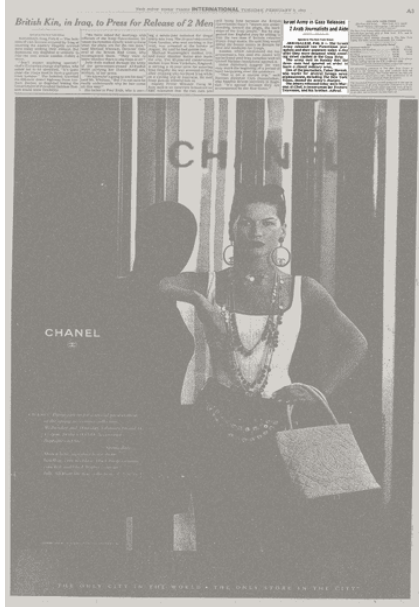


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The Israeli Army released two Palestinian journalists and their assistant today, a day after they were detained while covering street clashes in the Gaza Strip.

The army said on Sunday that the three men had ignored an order to leave a closed military area, and that they were also being investigated for possible charges of incitement.

One of the journalists, **Taher Shriteh**, who works for several foreign news organizations, including The New York Times, denied the army's charges.

The others released today were Marwan al-Ghol, a cameraman for Reuters Television, and his brother, Ashraf.

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