Two Israelis Wounded in Netanya Stabbing Attack, the Second in 24 Hrs

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A Palestinian man stabbed two Israelis in the coastal city of Netanya on Thursday before an armed civilian shot him down, in the second stabbing attack of the day.

The two wounded, a 40-year-old ultra-Orthodox man in and a 62-year-old woman were rushed to receive medical care in moderate and light conditions.

The assailant was identified as 46-year-old Wa'il Abu Saleh, a resident of Tulkarm, a Palestinian village just east of Netanya in the West Bank. Police forces began searching for a possible accomplice whom they suspect of transporting the assailant to the scene before the attack. A helicopter was also participating in the search.

Magen David Adom paramedics said they arrived on the scene at the corner of Sheshet HaYamim and Shoham streets to find a group of civilians attempting to stop the man's bleeding. Others carried the woman in out of the nearby open-air market with stab wounds in her back.

Earlier Thursday morning, a 13-year-old Israeli girl was stabbed and killed by a Palestinian attacker while she slept in her home in the West Bank settlement of Kiryat Arba. An Israeli security guard was also wounded in the attack.