

PALESTINE'S LEGAL SCENE

Your weekly survey of the most important publications and activities related to Palestine, from local and international sources

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This weekly report reviews the legal dynamics of the Palestine question, and everything related to international law and Palestine. The report includes an account of the most important publications, activities and conferences related to Palestine at the local, regional, international levels. The report further covers decisions, decrees, and judicial orders affecting the Palestinian cause, whether made at the official, academic or public levels. The report aims to be a reference for monitoring, documenting and archiving the latest human rights developments related to Palestine, and to present them to individuals, researchers, study centers, and official, academic and legal institutions concerned.

Judicial decrees, decisions, positions, and orders issued by Palestinian official bodies:

- Hanan Ashrawi, a member of the Executive Committee of the PLO, stated that **Israel has arrested the governor of Jerusalem more than 17 times** and demolished 62 buildings during the first half of this year. (July 19, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- The Palestinian National Council has **sent letters to the world's parliaments to save the life of the Palestinian prisoner** Kamal Abu Wa'ar. (July 19, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- The Secretary of the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organization, Saeb Erekat met with the Greek Consul General to discuss **the latest developments on the situation in Palestine**. (July 20, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- The secretary-General of the Executive Committee of the PLO, Saeb Erekat stated that **what is currently missing the Palestinian cause is bringing the division to an end**. (July 21, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- Hanan Ashrawi, a member of the Executive Committee of the PLO, has **condemned the Israeli theft of the ancient baptismal font** and considered it a war crime that must be punished. (July 21, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- The representative of Palestine to the United Nations made a statement at a session of the Security Council to **discuss the situation in the Middle East**. (July 22, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

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▪ Azzam Al-Ahmad, a member of the Executive Committee of the PLO **stressed the necessity of issuing a clear decision by the International Parliamentary Union** to reject the annexation plan. (July 23, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

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▪ The Palestinian Minister of National Economy announced that **Palestine joined the World Free Zones Organization**. (July 23, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

▪ The Palestinian Ministry of Foreign Affairs & Expatriates condemned the arrest of the Governor of Jerusalem; Adnan Ghaith, by the Israeli occupation forces, and called for International mobility to release him. (July 23, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

Judicial decrees, decisions, positions, and orders issued by Arab, European and international bodies:

▪ The Egyptian Foreign Minister, Sameh Shoukry has said on a supportive visit to Palestine that **his country is seeking to resume the political path in order to reach a two-state solution**. (July 20, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

▪ The Chinese President said to his Palestinian counterpart that **China supports the Palestinian people** in order to realize their legitimate rights. (July 20, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

▪ The United Nations Special Coordinator for the Middle East Peace Process, Nickolay Mladenov has stated that **the collapse of cooperation between Israel and Palestine endangers people's lives from Coronavirus**. (July 21, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

▪ The Norwegian Prime Minister said in a phone call with Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas that **her country rejects any unilateral measures taken by Israel**, while Abbas expressed Palestine's willingness to **start negotiations sponsored by the Quartet if Israel refrains from its unilateral annexation plan**. (July 23, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

Publications of human rights NGOs:

The Palestinian Civil Society Coalition **condemned the digital discrimination against the Palestinians by Google** and called on the company to adhere to the standards of international humanitarian law and international human rights law. (July 21, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

Academic research and studies (Arab and foreign):

- Morsi Saleh, a Palestinian researcher at the Faculty of Legal, Economic and Social Sciences of the University of Mohamed V in Rabat, discussed his thesis for PhD entitled “**Current Palestinian National Liberation in the Light of International Legitimacy**”. (July 24, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

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Human rights conferences and events

- During the International commission to support Palestinian rights Conference (ICSPR), a meeting discussed **the danger of the Israeli annexation and its implications for the Palestinian cause** and rights. (July 22, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

Announcements regarding upcoming human rights opportunities and activities:

- The Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People with the Islamic Cooperation Organization announces **the International Conference on the issue of Jerusalem and annexation** and its impact on the lives of Palestinians in Jerusalem, on July 28, 2020. To check the news, click [here](#)