

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, attitudes, and orders issued by Palestinians bodies:

- The Palestinian Authority has announced its intention **to pay the salaries of Palestinian prisoners and families of martyrs** without transferring them to banks (May 18, 2020). click here
- The Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas has announced **the termination of all agreements with Israel and the USA**. (May 19, 2020). click here
- The Palestinian National Council has affirmed that **the decision of absolving from Oslo agreements, establishes a new stage** of confrontation with the occupation (May 20, 2020). click here
- The Palestinian Prime Minister Mohammad Shtayyeh has emphasized -during an emergency session of the Palestinian government- the implementation of the Palestinian President's decision on the termination of all the agreements signed with Israel. (May 20, 2020) click here
- Mohammad Shtayyeh, the Palestinian Prime Minister, said that **the decision to stop the implementation of the agreements has become effective** and the security services and official institutions have begun to implement it. (May 21, 2020).click here
- Saeb Erekat, Secretary-General of the Executive Committee of the PLO called on the European Union to take concrete measures to prevent annexation (May 22, 2020). click here





• Ahmed Majdalani, a member of the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organization, has stressed on the **issuance of a decision to stop security coordination with Israel** (May 22, 2020). click <u>here</u> **Judicial decrees, decisions, positions and orders issued by Israeli official bodies:**

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- Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu presented his new unity government for approval (May 17, 2020). click here
- Benjamin Netanyahu, the Israeli Prime Minister, has stated that he will fight the International Criminal Court's investigation into Israeli war crimes (May 18, 2020).
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- An Israeli settler **convicted of murdering the Palestinian Dawabsheh family** from the village of Douma in the occupied West Bank (May 18, 2020). click here
- Netanyahu has said at a Knesset meeting that it is time to implement Israel's sovereignty over the West Bank (May 18, 2020).click here
- Gabi Ashkenazi, the Israeli foreign minister, said the deal of the century is a historic opportunity for Israel (May 19, 2020). click here

<u>Judicial decrees, decisions, positions and judgments issued by Arab, European and international bodies:</u>

- USA attacks ICC over insistence on probing Israel crimes against Palestinians. (May 18, 2020). click here
- Iran Shura Council endorses anti-Israel law. (May18,2020) click here
- The European Union has stated that **it will not recognize the unilateral annexation of Israel** in the West Bank. (May 19, 2020). click here
- Turkey has considered the Israeli annexation plans of parts of the West Bank a crime and called for taking a stand against it. (May 19, 2020).
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- The United Nations peace envoy in the Middle East has warned of the continuing threat of annexation by Israel of parts of the West Bank. (May 20, 2020). click here
- **OIC has rejected annexation by Israel** of Palestinian land and calls on international community to assume its responsibility. (May 21, 2020). click here





Russia has warned Israel of expansion activities in the West Bank. (May 21, 2020).
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Page | 3 Publications of human rights NGOs:

- The Palestinian Center for Human Rights has issued a press release documenting the **attacks against Palestinian fishermen in the Gaza** waters by the Israeli navy forces. (May 17, 2020). click here
- Americans for Peace Now has joined Israel Network's Statement on Annexation in condemning the annexation of parts of the West Bank. (May 18, 2020). click here
- The Israeli Information Center for Human Rights in the Occupied Territories, "B'Tselem" has issued a report dealing with **Israeli violence and dispossession in the Al-Issawiya town** of occupied Jerusalem (May 19, 2020). click here
- The Legal Center for Arab Minority Rights in Israel "Adalah" has published a letter dealing with **violations** by the Israeli navy forces of Gaza fishermen. (May 20, 2020). click here

Human rights conferences and events:

- A pro-Israel group has failed to have BDS supporting professor removed (May 18, 2020). click <u>here</u>
- Political figures in Israel **have launched Europe drive against annexation** (May 19, 2020). click <u>here</u>
- The Foundation for Middle East Peace has held an online webinar on the **role of archaeology in East**Jerusalem settlement efforts (May 21, 2020). click here



Announcements regarding upcoming human rights opportunities or activities:

The Jerusalem Fund for Education and Community Development will host a virtual talk with Rashid Al-Page | 4 Khalidi about his new book, "**The Hundred Years' War on Palestine**" on May 27. To check the news, click here



