

PALESTINE'S LEGAL SCENE

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

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 to monitor, document, and archive 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

- The Palestinian Ministry of Endowments said that **the occupation committed more than 47 incursions into Al-Aqsa and issued 96 order to prevent raising the call to prayer in the Ibrahimi Mosque and the burning of a mosque during June and July.** (Aug 10, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- The Palestine Liberation Organization sent an immediate appeal to the United Nations **to provide immediate protection to the refugees, support their right to health, and support the UNRWA budget.** (Aug 11, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- In a statement, the Palestinian leadership **forcefully rejected and condemned the American-Emirati-Israeli tripartite declaration.** (Aug 13, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- A member of the Executive Committee of the PLO, Faisal Aranki, said that **the UAE's position on normalization ties with Israel is disgraceful, and the annexation plan is still on the Israeli table.** (Aug14, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- The Palestinian National Council called on the Arab and Islamic parliaments **to reject and condemn the UAE agreement with Israel.** (Aug 14, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- Secretary-General of the Executive Committee of the PLO Saeb Erekat **called for confronting the UAE-Israel agreement.** (Aug 14, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

Judicial decrees, decisions, positions, and orders issued by official Israeli bodies

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- **The Israeli Prime Minister said** that Israel will suspend the decision of annexing the West Bank, but is obligated to proceed with it in coordination with the USA. (Aug 13, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
 - Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu announced **a historic peace agreement between Israel and the UAE**. (Aug13, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
 - Mtanes Shehadeh, a member of the Israeli Knesset, said that **the normalization agreement between the UAE and Israel is a natural result of long-standing relationships**. (Aug 13, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

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

- An Italian court **has convicted a TV presenter who considers Jerusalem the capital of “Israel.”** (Aug 10, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- The United Nations Humanitarian Coordinator said **the situation of Palestinian youth is dire amidst the current challenges**. (Aug 12, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- The Registry of the International Criminal Court submitted its eighth report **on information and outreach activities concerning victims and affected communities by the situation in Palestine**. (Aug 12, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- The Moroccan Parliament Speaker, Habib El-Maliki, said that **the Palestinian reconciliation would contribute to unify the Arab ranks. As far as the reconciliation hampered, the Arab ranks tore apart**. (Aug 12, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- Joe Biden, a candidate for the US presidential election, has chosen **a traditionally pro-Israel Democratic candidate as his running mate**. (Aug 12, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- Israel, the UAE, and the United States issued a joint statement announcing **the start of normalizing the relations between the UAE and Israel**. (Aug 13, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- US President Trump has said that **the problems of the Middle East can only be solved when people of all faiths come together to fight Islamic extremism**. (Aug 13, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

- Yousef Al Otaiba, the UAE ambassador to Washington, said that **the UAE will continue to remain a strong supporter of the Palestinian people.** (Aug 13, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- **Al-Sisi welcomes the Emirati-Israeli agreement** and the suspension of the annexation of Palestinian lands. (Aug 13, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- Jordanian Foreign Minister Ayman Safadi said that **“the impact of the deal on peace efforts is linked to the actions Israel will take.”** (13 August 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- Turkish President announced **the possibility of suspending Turkish-Emirati relations** and affirmed his permanent support for the Palestinian people. (Aug 14, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- The European Union called on Tel Aviv **to completely abandon the annexation decision after the Emirati-Israeli agreement.** (Aug 14, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- The President of France, Emmanuel Macron, considered **the UAE-Israel agreement a courageous decision.** (Aug 14, 202). To check the news, click [here](#)
- The Sultanate of Oman announced **its support for the normalization of Israeli-Emirati relations.** (Aug 14, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- **The Iranian Foreign Ministry condemned the establishment of diplomatic relations between the UAE and Israel.** (Aug 14, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- The advisor to the US President said that **the normalization of relations between Israel and Saudi Arabia is inevitable.** (Aug 15, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

Publications of human rights NGOs

- The Association for Civil Rights in Israel issued a press release on **preventing the expulsion of Palestinians from the Hebron Hills.** (Aug 9, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- B'Tselem issued a report **on Statistics on Palestinians in the custody of the Israeli security forces.** (Aug 10, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- The PCHR issued a statement condemning **the IOF tightening the siege and closing the only commercial crossing into the Gaza Strip.** (Aug 11, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- Americans for Peace Now called **for preventing an unjust eviction in East Jerusalem.** (Aug 12, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

- 14 human rights NGOs issued a position paper **on the independence of the judiciary in Palestine**. (Aug 12, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- Gisha -the Legal Center for Freedom of Movement issued a report addressing **the situation of crossings in the Gaza Strip and the Coronavirus**. (Aug 13, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

Human rights conferences and events

- 7amleh center continued its activities **to pressure Google to put Palestine on its maps**. (Aug 10, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

Announcements on upcoming human rights opportunities or activities

- On 27 August, the UN Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People (CEIRPP) will hold Part 2 of the International Conference on the Question of Jerusalem **on “Annexation in Practice – Palestinian Youth in Jerusalem.”**. To check the news, click [here](#)