

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 official Palestinian bodies

- **Ahmed Abu Houli, Head of the Refugee Affairs Department of PLO: The Arab Countries Hosting Refugees in their Coordination meeting Rejected UNRWA's Resort for splitting the salaries of its employees. (Nov 22, 2020).** To check the news, click [here](#)
- **The Palestinian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Expiarities says that it will coordinate with Jordan to protect Al-Aqsa Mosque and its courtyards from Israel's ongoing violations. (Nov 23, 2020).** To check the news, click [here](#)
- **Tayseer Khaled, a member of the Executive Committee of the PLO, calls on the Palestinian government to present a model for boycotting and preventing settlement goods from entering national markets. (Nov 24, 2020).** To check the news, click [here](#)
- **The Palestinian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Expatriates condemns the escalation of settlement expansion and calls on the international community to take deterrent measures. (Nov 24, 2020).** To check the news, click [here](#)

- **The EU- PA Subcommittee on Human Rights, Good Governance, and Rule of Law held its annual meeting and called on the EU to take serious steps to stop the Israeli violations. (Nov 24, 2020). To check the news click [here](#)**

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- **The Palestinian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Expatriates condemns the decision of an Israeli court to transfer possession of Palestinian homes in Jerusalem to the settlers and calls on the international community to shoulder its responsibilities towards the forced displacement of Jerusalemite citizens. (Nov 25, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)**
- **Palestinian Prime Minister Muhammad Shtayyeh calls for breaking the status quo and placing the Palestinian issue on the agenda of international priorities through a serious political project that recognizes the Palestinian state and ends the occupation. (Nov 25, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)**
- **Qadura Fares, President of the Palestinian Prisoners Club: The intended amendments to the Prisoners Law will not violate their rights. (Nov 25, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)**

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

- **The Minister of Education in Israel says that Netanyahu has met with the Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman. (Nov 23, 2020).To check the news, click [here](#)**
- **The Israeli High Court of Justice rejects a petition to re-examine a reduced plea bargain for an Israeli soldier who killed a Palestinian last March. (Nov 24, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)**
- **The Israeli Central Court decides to evacuate 3 Palestinian families from two buildings for settlers in East Jerusalem. (Nov 24, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)**

- **The Israeli Public Prosecution Office indicates three Israelis after they attacked a Palestinian family during the olive harvest season last October. (Nov 25, 2020).** To check the news, click [here](#)

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- **The Israeli Ministry of Interior Eases Path to Citizenship for 20,000 Palestinians from East Jerusalem. (Nov 25, 2020).** To check the news, click [here](#)
- **Tzachi Hanegbi, The Minister of Settlements Affairs in Israel, says the Israeli government plans to legalize dozens of wildcat West Bank outposts. (Nov 26, 020).** To check the news, click [here](#)

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

- **The Jordanian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Expatriates condemns the continuing Israeli violations at Al-Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem. (Nov 22, 2020).** To check the news, click [here](#)
- **The Egyptian Chargé d'Affairs to Palestine confirms that the Palestinian issue will remain the central Arab issue. (Nov 23, 2020).** To check the news, click [here](#)
- **In a call with Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas: Chancellor of German Angela Merkel stresses the importance of re-coordination between Palestine and Israel and her country's support to achieve peace in the region. (Nov 23, 2020).** To check the news, click [here](#)
- **The Jordanian Foreign Ministry condemns Israel's approval of building 540 new settlement units in East Jerusalem. (Nov 23, 2020).** To check the news, click [here](#)
- **Commissioner-General of the UNRWA for Palestine Refugees, Philippe Lazzarini, affirms that UNRWA will work continuously to provide services to Palestinian refugees until a just political solution to their case is reached. (Nov 24, 2020).** To check the news, click [here](#)

- **Joseph Borrell, the European Union’s High Representative for Foreign Affairs, commenting on the normalization agreements: There will be no peace and stability without a comprehensive settlement based on the two-state solution. (Nov 24, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)**
 - **The Commissioner-General of UNRWA calls on UNRWA’s Advisory commission to help him in ensuring the continuation of basic services amid a troubling funding situation. (Nov 25, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)**
 - **The United Nations Agency for Trade and Development issues a report on the impact of the Israeli blockade of Gaza on the economy and calls for enabling the Palestinian government to develop oil and natural gas resources on Gaza's shores to revive the economy. (Nov 25, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)**
 - **The Secretary-General of the Arab League, Ahmed Aboul Gheit, warns of the danger that Israel continues to steal Palestinian resources, including water. (Nov 25, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)**
 - **Russia's Special Envoy to the Middle East: US President-elect Joe Biden may abandon the “deal of the century” and the solution is peaceful coexistence between the two countries. (Nov 27, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)**
 - **Russia affirms its position on the illegality of the Israeli settlements and considers that the U.S. Secretary of State’s visit to the Israeli settlements reflects Washington’s contempt for international law. (Nov 27, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)**
- ❖ **Publications of human rights NGOs**
- **Al-Haq Foundation for Defending Human Rights condemns Israel's policy of forcibly transferring the Palestinian people, and warns businesses operating in the settlement field that they violate international law and the principles of the UN. (Nov 23, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)**

- **The Legal Center for Arab Minority Rights in Israel, “Adalah”, demands the protection of women in face of Israel's continuing systematic failure to eradicate violence against women. (Nov 25, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)**
- **The Coalition for Integrity and Accountability “AMAN” calls for referring all those involved in the case of bleaching settlement dates to the Anti-Corruption Court. (Nov 25, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)**
- **B'Tselem: Israel wants to evacuate the entire West Bank of Palestinians, as it has committed the crime of demolishing the homes of 44 Palestinians including 22 children, claiming that they have violated the law. (Nov 26, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)**

❖ **Human rights activities and events**

- **Palestinian and Arab institutions intend to submit a request to the US President-elect, Joe Biden, to cancel the Trump administration's decisions regarding determining the birthplace of Palestinians in Israel and labeling settlement goods as manufactured in Israel. (Nov 22, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)**

❖ **Announcements regarding upcoming human rights activities and opportunities**

- **The United Nations Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People announced that it will commemorate the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People and the anniversary of the adoption by the General Assembly of Resolution 181 on December 1 and 2, 2020. To check the news, click [here](#)**