

## 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**

- The Palestinian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Expatriates confirms that the attacks of Israeli settlers against the Palestinians are escalating with the protection of the Israeli army, and calls on the Security Council to intervene. (Dec 20, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- The Palestinian National Council sends identical letters to parliaments around the world, calling for their support for UNRWA to overcome its financial crisis. (Dec 20, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- The Palestinian Ministry of Information holds a press conference over handicapped prisoners in the Israeli prisons and demands to work for their release. (Dec 21, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- Palestinian PM Muhammad Shtayyeh urges the Portuguese Foreign Minister for his country's recognition of the Palestinian state and the formation of an international coalition to revive the peace process, and the latter confirms his country's support for the two-state solution. (Dec 22, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

- The Palestinian National Council, in identical letters, calls on the world's parliaments to list the Israeli Knesset as a racist parliament. (Dec 22, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- Official Spokesperson for the Palestinian Presidency, Nabil Abu Rudeina, on the occasion of marking 4 years since Security Council Resolution 2334 to cease settlement activity: The international community must activate the decision that the settlements are illegal. (Dec 23, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- After the US began labeling settlement goods as “Made in Israel”: The Palestinian MOFA condemns the US administration's decision to label settlement goods as “Made in Israel” and considers it a war crime. (Dec 24, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

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

- The Israeli Supreme Court considers 15 petitions submitted by several human rights organizations against the racist “Nationality Law”. (Dec 22, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- Netanyahu rejects the Israeli judiciary's consideration of petitions against the “national law” and asserts that “only the Jewish people can enjoy their national rights.” (Dec 22, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

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

- The United Nations General Assembly votes by a majority on the resolution of the Permanent sovereignty of the Palestinian people in the OPT, including East Jerusalem. (Dec 22, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- Nikolay Mladenov, the Special Coordinator for the Peace Process in the Middle East, urges the Palestinians and the Israelis to return to meaningful negotiations and the necessity to cease the expansion of the settlements. (Dec 21, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

- The Tunisian Ministry of Foreign Affairs denies the allegations spreading about establishing relations with Israel and affirms Tunisia's position in supporting the Palestinian question. (Dec 22, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- The European Union contributes an additional 4.6 million Euros to support UNRWA and rescue it from its financial crisis. (Dec 22, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- Russian President Vladimir Putin, in a phone call with Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas, affirms his support for holding an international peace conference. (Dec 22, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- China's envoy to the UN calls for the resumption of Palestinians -Israelis peace talks and affirms his country's position on rejecting annexation and supporting holding an international peace conference. (Dec 22, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- In a meeting with the Palestinian FM, Riyad Al-Maliki: Sweden's ambassador to Palestine affirms her country's position in support of Palestine and rejecting annexation and settlement plans. (Dec 23, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- The Arab Parliament calls on the international community to reject the racist Israeli bill for settling and financing outposts. (Dec 23, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- The United States begins marking settlement products as “Made in Israel.”(Dec 24, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- The President of Djibouti rejects normalization with Israel and declares his support for the rights of the Palestinian people. (Dec 24, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- A parliamentary initiative in Algeria seeks to pass a law criminalizing all forms of normalization. (Dec 25, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

### **Publications of human rights NGOs**

- Adalah: Israel’s Jewish Nation-State Law should be abolished, as it entrenches Jewish supremacy and establishes an apartheid system. (Dec 21, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

- 10 human rights organizations hold a webinar on the case of the HRD Salah Hammouri, who faces an imminent risk of deportation from Jerusalem. (Dec 22, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

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### **Academic research and studies:**

- Researcher Havatzelet Yahel publishes an article entitled “Israel and International Law: The Indigenous Concept in Supreme Court Rulings” in Israel Studies, Volume 26, Issue 1. (Dec 5, 2020). To check the article, click [here](#)
- Researcher Ömer Bedir publishes a paper entitled “The Flotilla Incident from the Perspective of International Law and the Judicial Rights of the Victims” in the Age of Human Rights Journal Vol 15. (Dec 15, 2020). To check the paper, click [here](#)