

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

- On the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Expatriates stresses that solidarity with Palestine requires an end to the occupation and accountability for its crimes. (Nov 29, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- Palestinian Prime Minister Muhammad Shtayyeh urges the world countries in solidarity with the Palestinian cause to recognize the state of Palestine. (Nov 29, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- Palestinian Prime Minister Muhammad Shtayyeh in a meeting with the Swiss Foreign Minister: Israel is imposing a deteriorating reality and the world must push to end the occupation. (Nov 29, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- Tayseer Khaled, a member of the Executive Committee of the PLO, calls for a reversal of the decision to restore Palestinian relations with Israel. (Nov 30, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

- The Palestinian Ministry of Foreign Affairs warns the international community of the danger of the current stage on the two-state solution, in light of the Israeli right-wing's race against time to implement its settlement projects. (Dec 1, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- On the International Day of Persons with Disabilities, the Palestinian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Expatriates calls on the international community to protect Palestinian persons with disabilities who are targeted directly and deliberately by Israel. (Dec 3, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- The Palestinian Ministry of Foreign Affairs warned of the risks of the Israeli colonial scheme in Jerusalem, which would separate the northern West Bank from its south. (Dec 4, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

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

- The Israeli Cabinet approves the transfer of tax revenues to the State of Palestine, withholding the salaries of prisoners and families of Palestinian martyrs. (Nov 30, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- Israel calls on the Arab countries and Iran to recognize Jews as refugees and to promote activities that reflect their heritage. (Dec1, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- As services are being provided to Israeli students: An Israeli court refuses to provide services to students in Arab schools in Israel under the pretext of protecting the “Jewish character.” (Dec 1, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

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

- The UK Consul-General in Jerusalem confirms his country's position rejecting settlements and supporting the Palestinian people. (Nov 29, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

- Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan: We will continue our efforts to establish an independent and sovereign Palestinian state. (Nov 29, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- United Nations Secretary-General António Guterres: The prospects for a two-state solution are growing more distant. (Nov 29, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- Jordanian King Abdullah II in a letter on the occasion of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People: We must stop the unilateral Israeli steps that undermine the chances of peace and its endeavor to impose a new reality in Al-Aqsa Mosque. (Nov 29, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- The ambassadors of Algeria and Jordan in Damascus visit the headquarters of the political department of the PLO and affirm their countries' support for the rights of the Palestinian people. (Nov 29, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- On the occasion of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, the Secretary-General of the League of Arab States stresses that the Palestinian issue is central and that any attempt to undermine the rights of the Palestinian people is doomed to failure. (Nov 29, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- In a meeting with President Abbas in Cairo, Egyptian President Abdel Fattah El-Sisi: The Palestinian issue will remain a priority in Egyptian politics, stressing Egypt's full support for Palestinian positions and choices. (Nov 30, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- In a meeting with President Abbas in Amman: Jordanian King Abdullah II stresses the need to intensify international efforts to achieve peace and end the Palestinian-Israeli conflict based on the two-state solution. (Nov 30, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

- At the UN celebration of the Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People: The statements of the UN high-ranking officials affirm the end of the occupation and the right of the Palestinian people to self-determination. (Dec 1, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- The Secretary-General of the Arab League, Ahmed Aboul Gheit, says that the vision of US President Donald Trump regarding the Deal of the Century implies considerable inequality to Palestinian rights. (Dec 2, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- The United Nations General Assembly adopted four resolutions on the question of Palestine at its annual session, which was held on 2 December. (Dec 3, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- The Bahraini Minister of Industry, Trade, and Tourism said: We will deal with settlement goods as made in Israel without labelling them. (Dec 3, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- The Official Bahrain News Agency: Bahrain will not allow the import of settlement goods, and the statements of the Bahraini Minister of Trade were misunderstood. (December 5, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

❖ **Publications of human rights NGOs**

- Adalah files a petition to the Israeli Supreme Court regarding a racist ruling to prevent municipalities from financing Arab schools in Israel. (Nov 30, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- Arab League Educational, Cultural and Scientific Organization “ALECSO” renews its support for the Palestinian people to obtain their legitimate rights and affirms that it will work continuously to preserve the Palestinian heritage. (Nov 30, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

❖ **Academic research and studies (Arab and foreign):**

- Researchers Elias Al Hihi and Asem Khalil publish a critical study in the Journal of Constitutional Law in the Middle East and North Africa on International Human Rights Law within the Palestinian Legal System. (Dec 1, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

❖ **Human rights activities and events**

- The Arab Network for National Human Rights Institutions and the Independent Commission for Human Rights organize an international webinar to emphasize solidarity with the Palestinian people, on the occasion of the International Day of Solidarity. (Nov 29, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- Al-Haq Foundation for Defending Human Rights, in partnership with International Observatory of the Foundation for Democracy, concludes its online conference on the continuing struggle for decolonization of Palestine. (Nov 29, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- Al-Haq Center for Defending Human Rights launches an online orientation course on understanding the situation in the OPT based on International Law, from November 30 to December 5. (Dec 1, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)