



Palestine's Legal Scene

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

Page | 1

Vol.58 | 7-13 Feb 2021

Issued every Sunday

by Law for Palestine

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 centres, and official, academic, and legal institutions concerned.

<u>Judicial decrees, decisions, positions, and orders issued by official Palestinian bodies</u>

- Head of the Palestinian General Authority of Civil Affairs, Hussein Al-Sheikh: "family reunion" has a national character, and Israel refuses to deal with it. (Feb. 7, 2021). To check the news, click here
- The State of Palestine condemns attempts to politicize the legal work of the International Criminal Court by Australia and other countries. (Feb. 7, 2021) To check the news, click here
- The Palestinian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Expatriates: The demolition of the Khirbet "Humsa al-Fawqa" village is a deliberate attempt by Israel to disregard international law. (Feb.8, 2021). To check the news, click here
- Foreign Affairs Minister Riyad Al-Maliki: We are ready to engage in serious negotiations through an international conference under the auspices of the Quartet aimed at ending the occupation. (Feb. 8, 2021). To check the news, click here



Page | 2

- Saleh Raafat condemns the demolition of Khirbet Humsa al-Fawqa and demands that the occupation be bound by int'l laws. (Feb.8, 2021). To check the news, click <u>here</u>
- The Palestinian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Expatriates condemns settlers' incitement to kill mayor of Hebron. (Feb. 10, 2021). To check the news, click here
- The Palestinian Ministry of Foreign Affairs welcomes EU stance on rejecting settlements, calls for practical measures. (Feb. 10, 2021). To check the news, click here
- The Palestinian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Expatriates condemns attempts to politicize the work of the International Criminal Court by some state parties to the Rome Statute. (Feb.10, 2021). To check the news, click here
- Palestinian Minister of Women's Affairs, Amal Hamad, calls on the Security Council to issue a special resolution on the status of Palestinian women under the Israeli occupation.(Feb.11, 2021) To check the news, click here
- The Palestinian Ministry of Foreign Affairs: Netanyahu's alliance with representatives of the Israeli extreme right exposes his support for terrorism. (Feb.11, 2021). To check the news, click here

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

• The Jerusalem District Court rules for the expulsion of 4 Palestinian families from their homes. (Feb.9, 2021). To check the news, click here

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



The United Nations releases the annual compilation of its reports on the question of Palestine for the year 2020. (Dec. 30, 2020) To check the news, click here

Page | 3

- African officials: Israeli settlements are illegal and constitute a flagrant violation of international law. (Feb.7, 2021). To check the news, click here
- The OIC welcomes the decision of the ICC regarding territorial jurisdiction on the occupied Palestinian territories. (Feb.7, 2021). To check the news, click here.
- Arab Ministers for Foreign Affairs: Peace in the region is conditional on ending Israeli occupation based on the two-state solution. (Feb.8, 2021). To check the news, click here
- Head of the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs in Palestine, Sarah Muscroft, stresses the importance of providing safety for the residents and pupils of Masafer Yatta south of Hebron. (Feb.8, **2021**). To check the news, click here
- Irish Department of Foreign Affairs: The demolition and displacement operations in Khirbet Humsa are "outrageous acts" that violate international law. (Feb.8, 2021). To check the news, click here
- German Minister of Foreign Affairs: Germany stands in opposition to the decision of the International Criminal Court regarding its territorial jurisdiction in Palestine. (Feb. 9, 2021). To check the news, click here
- British MPs call for exerting pressure on Israel to stop the forced displacement of Palestinian families in Jerusalem. (Feb.9, 2021). "To check the news, click here
- Jordanian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Expatriates condemns the Israeli occupation's The demolition of Khirbet Humsa and considers it a violation of human rights law. (Feb. 9, 2021). To check the news, click here







Page | 4

- The Indonesian foreign minister affirms her country's supportive stance on the Palestinian issue. (Feb. 10, 2021) . To check the news ,click here
- The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic: The decision of the International Criminal Court does not change the current international legal status of Palestine. (Feb. 9, 2021). To check the news, click here
- Special Rapporteur Michael Lynk: The ICC decision on territorial jurisdiction in the occupied Palestinian territories is a significant step towards justice. (Feb. 9, **2021)**. To check the news, click here
- The European Union condemns Israel's demolition of the village of Humsa Al-Fawqa and considers it illegal under international law. (Feb. 9, 2021). To check the news, click here
- The Organization of Islamic Cooperation condemns the Israeli demolition of Palestinian homes in Khirbet Humsa al-Fawqa. (Feb. 10, 2020). To check the news, click here
- **European Union: The International Criminal Court and its Prosecutor are** independent and impartial judicial institutions with no political objectives to pursue.(Feb.10,2021). To check the news, click here
- UNRWA launches an appeal for support and funding for its basic services to Palestinian refugees in 2021.(Feb.11, 2021) . To check the news click here
- Paraguay's Foreign Minister affirms his country's support for the two-state solution and the Palestinian rights in international forums. (Feb. 12, 2021). To check the news, click here

Publications of human rights NGOs

Ir Amim: The Jerusalem District Planning Board's decision paves way for house demolitions in al-Walaja village, south of East Jerusalem. (Feb. 8, **2021**). To check the news, click here







Human Rights Watch: ICC decision opens a long-awaited path to justice for Israeli and Palestinian victims of serious international crimes. (Feb. 8, 2021). To check the news, click here

Page | 5

- Al-Haq issues a report on human rights violations for the year 2020. (Feb. 8, **2021**). To check the news, click here
- B'Tselem issues a statement on repeated demolitions in Khirbet Humsa village, considering these acts a test for the international community. (Feb. 9, **2021**). To check the news, click here
- Association of International Development Agencies in Palestine calls on Israel to immediately halt the illegal and forcible transfer of the community of Humsa Al Bgai'a in the Jordan Valley. (Feb.12, 2021). To check the news, click here
- Addameer supports the statement of Special Rapporteur Michael Lynk on urging Israel to ensure accountability for torture and other inhuman treatment. (Feb. 10, 2021). To check the news, click here
- Human Rights Watch: Australia Should Stop Blocking International Justice in Israel and Palestine. (Feb. 12, 2021). To check the news, click here

Human rights conferences and events

- Institute for Palestine Studies announces a discussion of a book by Mahmood Mamdani, entitled: Neither Settler nor Native: The Making and Unmaking of Permanent Minorities. (Feb.15, 2021), To check the news, click here
- United Nations Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People announces a virtual event on delivering critical assistance for Palestine refugees. (Feb. 23, 2021). To check the news, click here
- Law for Palestine announces a Panel discussion on International law and Palestine. (Feb.1,2021). To check the news, click here



• Al Haq announces a seminar on the decision of the International Criminal Court on its territorial jurisdiction in Palestine. (Feb.13, 2021). To check the news, click here

Page | 6