

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

- **Palestinian MOFAE condemns burning of perennial olive trees south of Bethlehem, holding the Israeli government accountable. (Apr. 18, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **Palestinian Foreign Minister calls on the Belgian Parliament to pressure Israel to not obstruct the holding of elections in Jerusalem. (Apr. 19, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **Head of WPA denounces settlers' assault on the main water reservoir facility supplying the town of Asira al-Qibliya, considering it a serious violation of basic human rights (Apr. 19, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **Palestinian PM calls on US administration to intervene and end settlement expansion. (Apr. 19, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **Palestinian President urges US to revoke outdated law designating PLO as terrorist organization. (Apr. 19, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)

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- **Palestinian MOFAE warns against potential crimes by Israeli extremists against Jerusalemites, calls on the international community to ensure protection for the Palestinian people. (Apr. 22, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **Palestinian PM calls on Britain to exert pressure on Israel to hold elections in Jerusalem, appreciates British calls for a neutral stance towards the ICC. (Apr. 22, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **Minister of Jerusalem Affairs: Jerusalemites must be internationally protected against daily settler attacks. (Apr. 22, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **Permanent representative of Palestine to the UN calls for pressure on Israel to allow the holding of elections in Jerusalem, calling for the application of international law. (Apr. 23, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **Abu Huli calls on UNRWA to prepare an action strategy for the coming years capable of improving the conditions of refugees. (Apr. 23, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)

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

- **Israel's Supreme Planning Council announces a settlement plan to seize 1,243 dunums of land in Palestinian towns of Ramin and Beit Lid, east of Tulkarem. (Apr. 20, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **Israeli Supreme Court refuses to freeze permit for construction of an elevator inside al-Haram al-Ibrahimi in Hebron. (April. 21, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)

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

- **The Arab League calls for international action to bind Israel to international law regarding the protection of prisoners (Apr. 18, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **US senators call for a reduction in military aid to Israel. (Apr. 20, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)

- **European officials will continue to pressure Israel against placing obstacles in the way of holding elections. (Apr. 21, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **British FCDO Minister for MENA supports the independence of ICC and refuses to interfere in its work. (Apr. 21, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **Egyptian president confirms the importance of resuming negotiations between the Palestinian and Israeli sides. (Apr. 21, 2021).** For Further details, click [here](#)
- **Security Council meeting on the situation in the Middle East: The international community renews support for the holding of Palestinian elections, particularly in Jerusalem. (Apr. 22, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **Arab League condemns Israeli violations in the Sheikh Jarrah neighborhood, considers them war crimes and dangerous ethnic cleansing. (Apr.22, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **Arab Parliament denounces Israeli violations in Jerusalem and calls on the international community to provide international protection for the Palestinian people. (Apr. 23, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **Jordanian MOFA condemns incitement and provocations carried out by an extremist group of Jews in Jerusalem and calls on Israel to abide by international humanitarian law. (Apr. 23, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **United Nations Special Coordinator for the Middle East Peace Process: We are working with all parties to defuse the situation in Jerusalem and the Gaza Strip. (Apr. 24, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **Egypt condemns violence and attacks carried out by extremist Jewish groups in Jerusalem and holds the Israeli authorities fully responsible. (Apr. 24, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Organization of Islamic Cooperation condemns the Israeli attacks on the Palestinians in Jerusalem and demands protection for them. (Apr. 24, 2021).** For further details click [here](#)

Publications of human rights NGO

- **PGFTU to add ITUC report to ICC's file on Palestine investigation. (Apr. 21, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)

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Human rights conferences and events

- **The Independent Commission for Human Rights calls on the international community to fulfill its legal and moral obligations to provide the necessary protection for Palestinian prisoners. (Apr. 18, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Commission of Detainees' Affairs filed a petition to the Israeli Supreme Court to release the bodies of martyrs Saad Al-Gharabli and Fadi Samarah. (Apr. 19, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **Adalah Justice Project files a complaint against the University of Florida as a result of its racist policy against a Palestinian student. (Apr. 21, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **The International Campaign for Defense of Jerusalem calls on the UN Secretary-General to pressure Israel to rescind the decision to deport families from Sheikh Jarrah neighborhood. (Apr. 22, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)

Announcements regarding upcoming human rights activities and opportunities

- **Al-Haq Center for International Law announces its seventh e-summer school for legal professionals and researchers from May 31 to June 12, 2021. (Apr. 17, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Legal Committee of the European Alliance in Defense of Palestinian Detainees to hold a webinar titled: "The International Criminal Court: Opportunities to Achieve Justice for Palestinian Prisoners". (Apr. 20, 2021).** To participate via Zoom, click [here](#)