

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 MOFAE calls on the Prosecutor of the ICC to take practical and meaningful steps to end the Israeli aggression. (May 17, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **Palestinian Foreign Minister sends letter to UN representative in regards to Israel's systematic crimes against children. (May 17, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **Palestinian Ministry of Culture condemns Israel's targeting of cultural, educational and media institutions in Gaza, calls for urgent and immediate intervention (May 18, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **Palestinian MOFAE condemns U.S. position in the Security Council, calls on the international community to exert pressure to end the Israeli aggression on the Gaza Strip and to put an immediate end to the occupation. (May 18, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Palestinian Presidency: There is no peace without Jerusalem, our eternal capital. (May 19, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)

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- **Palestinian Prime Minister: Our priority is to stop the crimes of the occupation in Gaza immediately. (May 19, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Supreme National Committee for the Commemoration of the Nakba calls on Guterres to intervene promptly and ensure international protection for Palestinians (May 19, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Delegation of Palestine, UNESCO, calls on the organization to preserve the historical and legal character of the city of Jerusalem. (19 May 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **Palestinian Presidency condemns the Israeli occupation forces raids of Al-Aqsa Mosque. (May 21, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)

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

- **Palestinians and Israelis reach an agreement to ceasefire in the Gaza Strip, based on an Egyptian initiative. (May 20, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)

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

- **The Arab Parliament denounces European counterpart's silence, calls for immediate action to end the Israeli aggression. (May 16, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) holds an urgent meeting to discuss Israeli aggression in the Palestinian territories, and in Jerusalem in particular. (May 16, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **Chinese ambassador to Palestine: An agreed ceasefire must be followed by resumption of negotiations, in accordance with international law. (May 16, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **UN Secretary-General appeals to Israel and Hamas to stop the violence, calls for resuming negotiations. (May 16, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **The U.S. Secretary of State says his country isn't pushing for a ceasefire in the Middle East. (May 17, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)

- **Parties and parliaments across the world demand an end to Israeli aggression on Gaza, call for sanctions on Israel, and for protection of Palestinians. (May 17, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **Egyptian representatives call for a special Parliamentary session to discuss developments in Gaza. (May 17, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **Jordan considers Israel responsible for the escalation and tension, calls on the international community to uphold its responsibilities. (May 17, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **U.S. Congresswoman Ilhan Omar condemns Biden's approval of arms deal with Israel, sees it as green light for escalation. (May 18, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **Tunisian Parliament condemns the Israeli aggression on the Palestinians. (May 18, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **UN Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator: the hostilities in the occupied Palestinian territories and Israel must stop (May 18, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **UNRWA launches US\$ 38 million flash appeal for Gaza and the West Bank (May 19, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **A joint statement of the leaders of France, Egypt, and Jordan calls for a ceasefire agreement in Palestine. (May 19, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **UNRWA urgently calls on Israel to enable access to Gaza. (May 18, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **UN Secretary General Guterres: Immense human suffering and extensive damage to homes and vital infrastructure in Gaza. (May 19, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **Norges Bank decides to liquidate its shares in companies active in settlements built on the territory of the West Bank. (May 19, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **US House Democrats offer a resolution blocking military aid to Israel. (May 20, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **Arab League's Secretary-General condemns the targeting of the QRCS regional Headquarters in the Gaza Strip and considers it a flagrant violation of IHL. (May 20, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)

- **At the UNGA session: The question of Palestine is the longest-standing issue on the United Nations peace and security agenda. (May 20, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Jordanian MOFAE condemns the invasion of the Al-Aqsa Mosque by the Israeli forces. (May 21, 2021).** For further details click, [here](#)
- **UN experts call on the ICC to investigate human rights violations in Gaza. (May 21, 2021).** For further details click, [here](#)

Publications of human rights NGOs

- **The International Federation of Journalists calls on the UN Security Council to take urgent measures to stop the deliberate targeting of journalists in Gaza. (May 16, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **General Secretary of Palestinian General Federation of Trade Unions warns against the impact of assaulting workers (May 16, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **Arab Lawyers' Union calls on ICC to hold Israeli officials to account, calls on the Security Council to uphold the rights of Palestinians (May 17, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **ICHR calls on UNRWA to carry out its legal duty towards internally displaced persons sheltering in schools (May 17, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **OIC's ICHR holds Israel responsible for the indiscriminate killing of civilians. (May 17, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Arab Human Rights Commission and the Arab Network of National Human Rights Institutions are exploring mechanisms for documenting Israeli violations in Palestine. (May 17, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **Amnesty International: Pattern of Israeli attacks on residential homes in Gaza must be investigated as war crimes. (May 17, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **Political groups in Bahrain demand expelling Israeli ambassador, ending all normalization agreements, and allowing BDS to operate in the country. (May 18, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)

- Euro-Med Monitor warns against a humanitarian crisis in Gaza amid Israeli aggression (May 18, 2021). For further details, click [here](#)
- Adalah condemns the dismissal of Arab employees and workers from 48 lands for their participation in the strike. (May 19, 2021). For further details, click [here](#)
- The Palestinian Bar Association sends a legal memorandum to the Secretary General of the UN on the Israeli crimes in the occupied territories (May 19, 2021). For further details, click [here](#)
- The ICHR issues a special report on the aftermath of the Israeli military aggression on civilians with disabilities in Gaza. (May 20, 2021). For further details, click [here](#)
- The ICHR issues a special report entitled: "Israeli aggression on the Gaza Strip exacerbates the water and sanitation crisis." (May 20, 2021). For further details, click [here](#)

Announcements regarding upcoming human rights activities and opportunities

- CEIRPP organizes a symposium entitled "International Parliamentarian Support to the Question of Palestine". (May 17, 2021). For further details, click [here](#)