

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 Islamic-Christian Commission for Supporting Jerusalem and the Holy Places warns of an Israeli plan to curtail and undermine the powers of the Islamic Waqf (endowment) Department** (Jan. 9, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Palestinian MOFAE condemns the crime of the occupation's storming of Birzeit University and demands protection for educational institutions** (Jan.10, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **The head of the PLO's Refugee Affairs Department, Ahmed Abu Houli, calls on France to move with the European Union in order to support UNRWA** (Jan. 11, 2021). For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Palestinian Minister of Health calls on the Red Cross to pressure Israel for the immediate release of the prisoner Abu Hamid** (Jan. 11, 2021). For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Commission of Detainees Affairs (CDA) warns of the dangerous situation of the prisoner Abu Hamid and calls on the institutions of the international community and the International Committee of the Red Cross to follow up on his health** (Jan. 11, 2021). For further details, click [here](#)

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- **Palestinian MOFAE summoned the Dutch representative to protest his government's decision to end funding the agricultural work committees** (Jan. 11, 2021). For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Directorate of Awqaf in Hebron denounces the Israeli excavations and the Judaization actions against the Ibrahimi Mosque** (Jan. 11, 2021). For further details, click [here](#)
- **Palestinian MOFAE: We are following up on the crime of execution of the elderly Omar Asaad with the ongoing UN Commission of Inquiry** (Jan. 12, 2021). For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Settlement and Wall Resistance Commission obtains an order preventing the eviction of five families and the demolition of their tents in Khirbet Ibziq in the Jordan Valley** (Jan. 12, 2021). For further details, click [here](#)
- **The head of the CDA holds Israel responsible for the lives of female prisoners in Damon Prison** (Jan. 13, 2021). For further details, click [here](#)
- **CDA calls on the Red Cross to send a medical team to “Damon” prison to examine female prisoners infected with the Coronavirus** (Jan.14, 2021). For further details, click [here](#)

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

- **The new “citizenship law” advances in the Israeli Cabinet Ministers’ Committee for Legislation** (Jan.10, 2021). For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Knesset approves a bill to connect “illegal” Arab homes to electricity grids** (Jan.11, 2021). For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Israeli Supreme Court orders the Minister of the Interior to stop implementing the expired Citizenship Law** (Jan. 12, 2021). For further details, click [here](#)
- **A new evacuation order in the Sheikh Jarrah neighborhood of the Salem family threatens the return of protests to the city of Jerusalem** (Jan. 12, 2021). For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Jewish National Fund halts tree planting operations in disputed lands in the Negev as Israel seeks an agreement with the Bedouin** (Jan. 12, 2021). For further details, click [here](#)

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

- **UNRWA publishes a new report entitled: “UNRWA Gender Equality Strategy 2016-2021: Annual Implementation Report January-December 2020” in which it worked to achieve more inclusive and equitable services for Palestine refugees of both genders (Jan. 10, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Arab Lawyers Union condemns the arrest of 20 Palestinians by the Israeli authorities for protesting against bulldozing the village of Al-Atrash in the Negev region (Jan. 12, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **The US State Department calls for a comprehensive investigation into the circumstances of the death of the elderly Omar Asaad (Jan. 12, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **British Consul: “The United Kingdom regards East Jerusalem as occupied territory and is concerned about evictions and home demolitions in East Jerusalem” (Jan. 12, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Secretary-General of the Arab Lawyers Union calls for the immediate release of the prisoner Nasser Abu Hamid (Jan.13, 2021).** for further details, click [here](#)
- **The United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNRWA) calls for the immediate release of the child prisoner Amal Nakhleh, who suffers from a critical health condition (Jan. 13, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)

Publications of human rights NGOs

- **Adalah and other human rights organizations filed a petition on the killing of four children from the Bakr family by the occupation during the large-scale war attack on Gaza in 2014 before the Israeli Supreme Court (Jan. 10, 2022).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **Addameer Association for Human Rights warns of the danger of the outbreak of the Coronavirus in the Israeli Rimon prison and calls on the international community to assume its legal and moral responsibilities (Jan. 10, 2022).** For further details, click [here](#)
- **Independent Commission for Human Rights condemns the occupation’s storming of Birzeit University and the arrest of a number of its students (Jan. 10, 2021).** For further details, click [here](#)

- **PNGO delivers a letter to the European Union demanding that the Netherlands reverse its decision to stop funding the Union of Agricultural Work Committees** (Jan. 12, 2021). For further details, click [here](#)

Human rights conferences and events

- **Solidarity stand with the prisoner suffering from cancer, Nasser Abu Hamid, in front of the headquarters of the Red Cross** (Jan. 11, 2021). For further details, click [here](#)
- **Jerusalem activists launch an online campaign on social media, entitled "Our mosques will not be demolished"; Rejecting Israel's decision to demolish a mosque in Al-Isawiya** (Jan. 13, 2021). For further details, click [here](#)