

## 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**

- **Member of the Executive Committee of PLO, Salih Raafat, condemns the Israeli government's decision to build 730 settlement units in the West Bank.** (March 13, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **Palestinian MOFAE condemns the [statements](#) made by Yossi Dagan, head of the settlement council in the northern West Bank, during his visit to the Ukrainian-Romanian border, considering such statements an integral part of the settlement aggression.** (March 13, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **Palestinian Prisoners and Detainees Affairs calls on the Israeli Prisons Administration to provide a gynecologist once a month for female detainees, and urges to rapidly treat Esraa Al-Jaabis.** (March 13, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Palestinian Ministry of Foreign Affairs condemns the Chief of Staff of the Israeli army's pronouncements concerning recent incursion into the Gaza Strip and settlement activities on Palestinian territory.** (March 14, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)

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- **Palestinian Ministry of Education denounces Israel's notification of the "Shaab al-Butm" school in Yatta.** (March 14, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **Palestinian Ministry of Education and Higher Education and the Palestinian universities affirm their rejection of the restrictions imposed by Israel on the entry of foreign academics into the West Bank.** (March 14, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **Palestinian PM during his meeting with a delegation of 300 Harvard students: "The world has double standards and international law is not divided"** (March 14, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Islamic-Christian Committee for the Support of Jerusalem and the Holy Sites warns against extremist calls to storm the blessed Al-Aqsa Mosque before and during the month of Ramadan.** (March 16, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Palestinian Prime Minister received the Canadian Minister for International Trade: "The international community must cease its double standards and take serious action against Israel for its racism in reality and legislation."** (March 15, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Palestinian government restates its call for the immediate release of Nasser Abu Hamid as his health deteriorates.** (March 15, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)

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

- **Israel to build 730 new settlement units in Beit Hanina in occupied Jerusalem.** (March 10, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **The head of the settlement council in the northern West Bank, Yossi Dagan, during his visit to the Ukrainian-Romanian border, says that Israel is waiting for Ukrainian refugees.** (March 13, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Israeli government has given its approval to a five-year development plan for Bedouin communities in the Negev.** (March 14, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)

- **The Israeli Supreme Court will shortly decide on the destiny of the Palestinian village of "Masafar Yatta" after two decades of deliberation.** (March 14, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Israeli Minister of Communications in regard to recent events in the Negev, during a visit to Kassifa, stated "You have the right to live in peace and serenity in this area, free of criminal gangs and street gunshots."** (March 15, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **Instead of military duty, Israel enables its citizens to conduct "national service" in West Bank settlement outposts, including farms and outposts under demolition and eviction orders.** (March 17, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)

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

- **The United Nations issues its monthly report on "Actions Taken by the United Nations System and Intergovernmental Organizations Relevant to the Question of Palestine" for the month of February.** (February 28, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **UNRWA Commissioner-General calls on countries in the Arab region to raise the level of support for Palestine refugees.** (March 9, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) strongly rejects Israel's intention to construct 730 more settlement units.** (March 13, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **The European Union condemns the Israeli expansion in the construction of settlement units and considers it a serious threat to the two-state solution.** (March 14, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **Jordan emphasizes the importance of the Palestinian issue and the necessity to step up efforts to establish a comprehensive and long-term peace based on the Two-State solution.** (March 14, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **OIC condemns the field execution crimes against the Palestinian people.** (March 15, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)

- **The Arab Lawyers Union condemns the settler's shooting of a Palestinian school in Bethlehem, as well as the [killing](#) of Palestinians and the wounding of 9 others during confrontations with Israeli forces in Jerusalem and Nablus.** (March 15, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **The General Secretariat of the League of Arab States affirms its constant keenness to support UNRWA to enable it to carry out its tasks in accordance with its UN mandate.** (March 15, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **European Union (EU) affirms its firm position rejecting the Israeli settlements and the demolition operations that affected European projects in the Palestinian territories.** (March 1, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **EU calls for the immediate release of the detainee, Muhammad al-Halabi, stressing that Israel is violating the provisions of international law by arresting him.** (March 16, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)

### **Publications of human rights NGOs**

- **Amnesty International USA's Director to "Democratic Group": "Israel should not be a Jewish state."** (March 11, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Palestinian Prisoners Club considers the Israeli prison administration entirely accountable for the life of Jenin camp detainee Iyad Omar, who has lately been diagnosed with a serious medical condition.** (March 13, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Higher Steering Committee of the Arabs of the Negev warns of a deterioration of the situation if [tree-planting and land razing](#) resume in the Negev. And calls for red lines to be set for what it terms apartheid and home demolition policies.** (March 14, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)

- **Adalah petitions the Israeli Supreme Court on behalf of Palestinian families harmed by the recently approved Israeli family reunification law.** (March 13, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Higher Steering Committee of the Arabs of the Negev calls for the formation of an independent investigation committee to determine the circumstances surrounding the death of the young man, Sanad Al-Harbid, and to prosecute those responsible, emphasizing its refusal to deal with the Arab community in a hostile manner.** (March 15, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Boycott Movement "BDS": In response to Russia's war in Ukraine, the West is overruling its justifications for rejecting the boycott against the Israeli apartheid regime.** (March 15, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **BADIL has published a research paper titled "Denial of Palestinian Use and Access to Land: Summary of Israeli Law and Policies" which provides an overview of the various laws and policies set by Israel in order to gain the most territory with the fewest Palestinians.** (March 16, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **Al-Haq Foundation highlights the escalation of Israeli settler violence against Palestinians at the forty-ninth session of the Human Rights Council.** (March 17, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **Al-Haq Foundation has sent an urgent appeal to a number of United Nations rapporteurs regarding the extrajudicial execution of three Palestinian youths by Israeli forces in the city of Nablus (March 19, 2022).** For further details, click [here](#)

### **Human rights conferences and events**

- **Cairo Institute for Human Rights Studies (CIHRS) launches a 16-day awareness campaign in Israel on the crime of apartheid in conjunction with the current session of the Human Rights Council.** (March 14, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)

- **Al-Zaytouna Center for Studies and Consultations held a video conferencing panel discussion titled “The Impact of the Russian-Ukrainian War on the Palestine Issue.”** (March 16, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **The UNRWA Commissioner-General Urges Arab countries to increase their support for Palestinian refugees.** (March 9, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **Academics in Europe believe in empowering the boycott of Russia and call for similar measures against Israel.** (March 17, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Palestinian Return Center organizes a panel discussion entitled "73 Years of Palestinian Refugeedom: From Refugee Camps to Shipwrecks."** (March 18, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)

### **Announcements regarding upcoming human rights activities and opportunities**

- **The Euro-Mediterranean Observatory announces the opening of registration for the 2022 cohort of the We Are Not Numbers project.** (March 10, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **The "One Democratic State" campaign announces its intention to hold a webinar entitled: "What does apartheid mean for the struggle for justice in Palestine".** (March 15, 2022). Attendance link, [here](#)
- **The UN Committee on the Rights of the Palestinian People holds a symposium entitled: “The Impact of Forced Displacement on Palestinian Women”.** For further details, click [here](#)