

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 international community to pressure the Israeli occupying power to end ongoing violence against the Palestinian people and stop building settlements as to protect the chances of implementing the two-state solution.** (September 11, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Palestinian PM said current Israeli escalation on the ground is nothing but a recipe for a major explosion that Israel feeds on with its various parties as electoral propaganda.** (September 12, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Palestinian Foreign Ministry firmly condemns the field execution committed by the Israeli forces of 17-year-old martyr Oday Salah.** (September 15, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Permanent Representative of Palestine to the United Nations forwarded a letter received from the family of sick prisoner Nasser Abu Hamid to UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres concerning their son's terrible health condition.** (September 15, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)

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

- **Under the pretext of inadequate evidence, the Police Internal Investigation Department closed a probe on the death of Palestinian teenager Mohammed Kiwan, who was shot dead by an Israeli soldier last May. (September 15, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)**

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

- **Francesca Albanese, UN Special Rapporteur on the occupied Palestinian territory, stated that there is no legal justification for the destruction of houses, belongings, schools, and communal spaces of 1,200 people in Masafer Yatta to let Israeli soldiers shoot and test equipment. (September 12, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)**
- **The Acting United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights expressed concern about the targeting of human rights defenders in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including the arbitrary closure orders of seven Palestinian human rights organizations in Ramallah. (September 13, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)**
- **The United Nations Special Coordinator for the Middle East, in his latest report, said that ensuring the readiness of the Palestinian Authority for statehood is an urgent priority. (September 16, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)**

Publications of human rights NGOs

- **Skyline International for Human Rights urges Google and Amazon to halt their Nimbus Project and stop assisting Israel with cloud technology that aids in the pursuit and tracking of Palestinians, their activities, and ultimately their targeting and killing. (September 11, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)**
- **Al Mezan Center filed a petition to the Israeli District Court in Beer Sheva to stop the use of plastic zip ties on Palestinian detainees. (September 12, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)**

- **The International Bar Association's Human Rights Institute (IBAHRI) affirms that Israel's detention of Salah Hammouri without charge or trial violates international law. They call on Israeli authorities to release him immediately and unconditionally, noting that the purpose of these measures is to create an intimidating effect in an attempt to deter lawyers from documenting violations in the Occupied Territories.** (September 13, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Palestinian Human Rights Organizations Council (PHROC) urged the international community to take immediate and concrete steps to halt new Israeli restrictions on foreigners' entry and residence in the West Bank, citing violations of international humanitarian law and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.** (September 14, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **Al-Haq and Just Peace Advocates submitted a report to the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights calling for WSP Global Inc., a Canadian company, to be included in the UN database of businesses operating in illegal Israeli settlements. This submission has been endorsed by 105 organizations.** (September 15, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **Al Mezan Center for Human Rights reiterated that organized violations committed by the occupation forces at sea and the siege imposed on the Gaza Strip, especially its naval blockade, constitute illegal collective punishments. The organization denounced the occupation forces' continued violations of international humanitarian law and the principles of international human rights law in their interactions with Palestinian civilians, especially fishermen.** (September 14, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Palestinian Campaign for Academic and Cultural Boycott of Israel (PACBI) condemns the Disney-owned, Marvel Studios' decision to make a new movie that promotes the settler colonial system, Israeli apartheid, and its atrocities against the Palestinian and Arab peoples.** (September 14, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)

- **The Palestinian Center for Human Rights condemns the Israeli occupation's killing of a Palestinian child and the imposition of collective punishment measures in the West Bank. They urge the international community to intervene immediately to end double standards in the application of international law.** (September 14, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Boycott Movement (BDS) condemns the Zimam Initiative's continued normalization with the Israeli occupation and warns against engaging in activities that harm the Palestinian peoples' struggle and give fig leaves to cover up the Israeli crimes.** (September 15, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)
- **The Independent Commission for Human Rights urges the Palestinian President to include a clear request in his speech to the United Nations General Assembly for the international community to assume its responsibilities in providing international protection for people under occupation, as well as take the necessary steps to impose sanctions on Israel as the occupying power.** (September 15, 2022). For further details, click [here](#)

Academic research and studies

- **Researcher Jabareen publishes a study titled "Linguistic Rights for Minorities and the Quest for Equality: The Case of Arab-Palestinians in Israel."** (2022). To read more, click [here](#).
- **Researchers Mahwati and Nanda publish an article titled "Analysis of the Palestinian-Israeli conflict in the Perspective of International Humanitarian Law."** (January 31, 2022). To read more, click [here](#).