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### To Confront the Ongoing Nakba and Genocide:

#### **Resistance until Liberation and Return**

#### **Ongoing Nakba, Ongoing Genocide**

For more than 76 years, the Israeli colonial-apartheid regime has maintained its system of domination and oppression through a strategy that is based on three pillars: forced displacement and transfer, colonization and apartheid. This regime consists of a <u>plethora of policies</u>, <u>practices</u>, <u>and laws</u> that result in the creation, sustainment, and augmentation of the longest standing displaced population in the world: <u>9.17 million Palestinian refugees and internally displaced</u> <u>persons</u> who continue to be denied their rights to reparations, including return, properties restitution and compensation, as enshrined in UNGA Resolution 194 of 1948. In addition, these pillars have resulted in Israel's control of 85 percent of the land of Mandatory Palestine.

After more than seven months of Israel's genocidal war on the Gaza Strip, Palestinians remain unprotected and continue to be <u>killed</u>, <u>starved</u>, <u>tortured</u>, <u>besieged</u> and <u>forcibly displaced</u> over and over again. Not only is Israel attacking a protected population, but is also taking measures to destroy the Palestinian population there, slowly, through the weaponization of aid to the point of malnutrition and famine, destruction of the healthcare infrastructure, and the denial of healthcare services.

Supported by its colonial allies, Israel has not only refused to ease its chokehold and genocidal war on the Gaza Strip, but has also intentionally <u>denied the needed amount of aid</u> reaching the starved Palestinian population there, especially in the north, and <u>deliberately obstructed the work of UNRWA and many other international agencies</u>.

Palestinian refugees make up 81 percent of the population in Gaza. They are now also experiencing <u>internal displacement</u> with approximately 1.7 million Palestinians out of 2.3 million inhabitants of the Gaza Strip being internally displaced. This represents a staggering 75 percent of the population, and marks one of the largest displacements since 1948. It is clear that the

genocide in Gaza is not an isolated event but rather a component of the Ongoing Nakba, fulfilling Israel's ultimate goal to control the maximum amount of Palestinian land, with the minimum number of Palestinians.

### **Escalated Suppression of Palestinians**

Under the umbrella of the ongoing genocidal war on Gaza, Israel has escalated its suppression of Palestinians in the West Bank, including Jerusalem, and in 1948 Palestine. Israel has intensified its policies of <u>silencing Palestinian voices</u>, <u>land confiscation</u>, bolstered by colonizer attacks and access restrictions, resulting in the <u>killing of hundreds</u> and forcibly <u>displacing thousands of Palestinians</u>.

Israeli forces have heavily targeted Palestinian cities and <u>refugee camps</u> in the West Bank through <u>daily raids and incursions</u>, killing residents and destroying public infrastructure and homes.

The <u>number of arbitrary arrests</u> has also skyrocketed with rampant reports of t<u>orture and</u> <u>ill-treatment</u>, <u>medical neglect</u>, <u>systematic abuse</u>, <u>beatings and attacks</u> against prisoners. Additionally, the <u>bodies of political prisoners</u> continue to be denied dignified burial, as they are detained by the Israeli colonial-apartheid regime.

# **Ongoing Complicity**

After 76 years of Ongoing Nakba, colonial states, with their domination of the international community, continue to provide support and impunity to the Israeli colonial-apartheid regime, while simultaneously ignoring its legal and moral responsibilities. Satisfied with only setting up public relations ploys and voicing empty concerns over the "humanitarian crisis", western colonial powers continue to politically, financially and militarily support Israel. These states have become active agents of genocide, by weaponizing aid, supporting Israel in its "day after plans" including its ongoing campaign to defund, eliminate and replace UNRWA. While Israel still hasn't provided evidence of its allegations, complicit states have deemed the most recent UN review of UNRWA as "insufficient" and continue to suspend the Agency's funding.

# **Ongoing Resistance and Solidarity**

Despite more than 76 years of displacement, oppression, and ethnic cleansing and genocide, the Palestinian people remain steadfast in their resistance against the Israeli colonial-apartheid regime in pursuit of their liberation. <u>Palestinian resistance</u> in all of its forms, in Mandatory Palestine and abroad, has been met with overwhelming solidarity from people of conscience across the globe, with the efforts of the <u>global solidarity movement</u> standing in stark contrast with clear <u>moral and legal bankruptcy of colonial states and their leaders</u>.

Now, more than ever, we reaffirm that the only solution to the Ongoing Nakba is a <u>comprehensive rights-based decolonization framework</u>, which will ensure the Palestinian people's inalienable <u>rights to self-determination and return</u>.

Palestinian resistance, combined with the <u>sustained and strategic efforts</u> of the global solidarity movement, is the only way through which the Israeli genocidal war on the Gaza Strip will end, Israel's colonial-apartheid regime will be sanctioned and dismantled, and colonial states will be held accountable for their complicity.

# Signatories:

- 1. BADIL Resource Center for Palestinian Residency and Refugee Rights
- 2. The Global Palestinian Refugee and IDP Network (GPRN) 39 Organization
- 3. Ireland-Palestine Solidarity Campaign
- 4. Plataforma Córdoba con Palestina
- 5. Trinity College Dublin Students' Union (TCDSU)
- 6. Palestinian and Jewish Unity (PAJU)
- 7. Collectif Palestine Vaincra
- 8. Just Peace Advocates/Mouvement Pour Une Paix Juste
- 9. The Palestine Committee in Norway
- 10. Centre for Global Education
- 11. The Palestinian Disability Coalition
- 12. Trinity BDS
- 13. Edmonton Small Press Association
- 14. Samidoun Palestinian Prisoner Solidarity Network
- 15. Asociación Paz con Dignidad
- 16. Palestine Solidarity Alliance South Africa
- 17. BDS Madrid
- 18. Taafi
- 19. AKAHATA Argentina
- 20. Palestine Updates/Badayl
- 21. Baladi Center for Culture & Arts
- 22. Indiana Center for Middle East Peace
- 23. Xinye Public Interest Service Central
- 24. International Jewish Anti-Zionist Network
- 25. International Jewish Anti-Zionist Network-IJAN AntiJAN Argentina
- 26. Union of Students in Ireland
- 27. Makan
- 28. IJAN, INTERNATIONAL JEWISH ANTIZIONIST NETWORK, Spain
- 29. International Jewish Anti-Zionist Network (IJAN)-Canada
- 30. Sexual Rights Initiative

- 31. Palestine Solidarity Network Aotearos
- 32. Northern rivers friends of Palestine
- 33. Australians for Palestine
- 34. Free Palestine Coalition Naarm
- 35. Muslim Counterpublics Lab
- 36. Sare Lesbianista
- 37. Palestinarekiko Erantzukizuna
- 38. Association of Young Democrats
- 39. Asociación Pro Derechos Humanos de Andalucía- APDHA
- 40. Center for the Study of Islam and Decoloniality
- 41. JUST-IS Interfaith Solidarity against Global Militarism and for Social Justice
- 42. TU Dublin Students' Union
- 43. NACIÓN ANDALUZA
- 44. BDS Almería
- 45. Mujeres de Negro de Isbilya
- 46. Ontario Palestinian Rights Association
- 47. Canada Palestine Association
- 48. European Legal Support Center (ELSC)
- 49. Lajee Center
- 50. Lajee Celtic
- 51. Loud Jew Collective
- 52. Comhlamh Justice for Palestine
- 53. Cambridge Palestine Solidarity Campaign
- 54. Australia Palestine Advocacy Network
- 55. Jews Against the Occupation '48 Australia
- 56. Tzedek Collective
- 57. International Organization for the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (EAFORD)
- 58. Save Our Sacred Lands (SOSL)
- 59. Comhaltas na Mac Léinn Ollscoil na Gaillimhe, University of Galway Students' Union
- 60. Housing and Land Rights Network Habitat International Coalition
- 61. MNEMTY ANTI RACISM IN TUNISIA
- 62. The Regional Coalition for Women Human Rights Defenders in Southwest Asia and North Africa (WHRDMENA)
- 63. Solidarity Rising
- 64. Equipo de Implementación del Decenio Afrodescendiente en España
- 65. Uhuru Valencia
- 66. Gaza Action Ireland
- 67. Movimento Solidaridade Sahara Occidental-Timor Leste
- 68. Poitiers Palestine

- 69. The Canadian BDS Coalition
- 70. Portuguese Friendship Association with Western Sahara (AAPSO)
- 71. BDS Murcia
- 72. Conférération syndicale des forces productives COSYFOP
- 73. Pax Christi Victoria
- 74. Australia Palestine Advocacy Network
- 75. Algerian League for the Defense of Human Rights
- 76. Union of Solidarity teachers of Higher Education
- 77. Arab Renaissance for Democracy and Development
- 78. Movement for Liberation from Nakba (MLN)
- 79. Botsotso
- 80. Palestine Land Society
- 81. Iraqi Narratives Project
- 82. Syndicat des Enseignants du Supérieur Solidaires (SESS)
- 83. International Platform of Jurists for East Timor
- 84. Workers for Palestine NL
- 85. India Palestine Friendship Forum
- 86. IPSN India
- 87. Seva Vardhini
- 88. Indo-Palestine Solidarity Network
- 89. Student Christian Movement of India
- 90. Liverpool Friends of Palestine
- 91. Presentation sisters
- 92. IPA India
- 93. The Palestinian Association for Human Rights (Witness)
- 94. Human development center
- 95. Fraternity Association for Social and Cultural Work- Beirut Center
- 96. Human Call Association
- 97. Nuwat Association Social Solidarity Center
- 98. AWID
- 99. Tiro Association for Arts (TAA)
- 100. Al-JANA Center
- 101. Psychological and Social Development Association Al Jalazon Refugee Camp
- 102. Center for refugee rights Aidoun
- 103. Al-Hadaf KC
- 104. Majed Abu Sharar Media Foundation (MASMF)
- 105. Collective urgence Palestine
- 106. Nahr Al-Bared Refugee Camp Youth
- 107. Askar refugee camp's Women Center
- 108. The Popular Committee for Services in Tulkarm refugee camp

- 109. BDS ALMERÍA
- 110. National Institution of Social Care and Vocational Training
- 111. Al Houla Association
- 112. PUSWP Bethlehem branch
- 113. Kangaroo Sports Club Lebanon
- 114. Al Karmel Sport Center
- 115. CPCCO USA
- 116. Al Houla Association
- 117. Jaén con Palestina
- 118. Cairdeas Falasteen Chonamara
- 119. Azania Section of the Fourth International
- 120. Ibdaa Foundation for Child Development
- 121. Jouthor Association