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The land of the Palestinian people has been occupied step by step since 1946, as seen below. International law and United Nations resolutions have been ignored by the state of Israel. It is regrettable that this violation of law has not faced any legal sanctions.



By not being satisfied with its unlawful occupation, Israel has violated many rights of the Palestinian people, especially the right to life, and still continues to violate them.

The Palestinian people are treated as prisoners by Israel and are deprived of the right to live freely in their own country. An important number of the Palestinian people has been forced to take refuge in other countries due to the occupation. They are forced to live in refugee camps in these countries. Some of the Palestinian people are also subjected to prison treatment by Israel in concentration camps in their own countries.

Israel has attacked the innocent, civilian Palestinian people with heavy weapons, warplanes and missiles many times. Many women, children, and innocent civilians died in these attacks. The killing of civilians and innocent people is an act of terrorism. Terrorist acts; can be committed by individuals, organizations or governments. Terrorist acts which are committed by the state or states are much more destructive and dangerous than others.

While the Palestinian people are suppressed by armed attacks on the one hand, on the other hand, it is desired to silence the intellectuals with the pressure and threat of imprisonment. As a matter of fact, Raid Salah, one of the leaders of the Palestinian people, who is a prominent intellectual, had to spend most of his life in prisons for expressing his ideas. Raid Salah is just one of the examples. Hundreds of Palestinian intellectuals continue their lives under the threat of Israel's prison and punishment pressure. In this way, many people face years of imprisonment just for expressing opinions and ideas.

In the 21st century, a human tragedy is experienced in Palestine. Law binds individuals and institutions as well as states. Anyone supporting the tyrant becomes a partner in the cruelty. In this respect, as of now, we invite all states, especially the ones in Islamic countries, all non-governmental organizations and all people who respect the law to defend the law of the persecuted people, particularly the Palestinian people.

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