

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 Ministry of Foreign Affairs calls for an international investigation into the military force led by the occupation and affirms the need for international protection. (25 October 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- Hanan Ashrawi, member of the Palestine Liberation Organization Central Committee: Israel's continuation of the policy of organized Terrorism reflects the extent of the impotence of the international community. (25 October 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- Member of the Central Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organization, Azzam Al-Ahmad: What happened in the Security Council confirms the international community's adherence to international legitimacy and UN resolutions. (October 27). To check the news, click [here](#)

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- Member of the Executive Committee of the PLO, Ahmed Majdalani: The US-Israeli scientific cooperation agreement is a challenge to international law and the Security Council resolution. (Oct 29, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

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- A spokesman for the Palestinian presidency, Nabil Abu Rudeineh: Pompeo's statements granting Americans born in Jerusalem the right to use the word Israel in their passports is rejected, and East Jerusalem is occupied Palestinian land. (Oct 29, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

- Palestinian Prime Minister Muhammad Shtayyeh calls on Italy to break the status quo and recognize the Palestinian state. (30 October 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

- Palestine's ambassador to the United Nations sends several messages to UN officials about Israel continuing its aggression against the Palestinian people and trampling international law. (October 30). To check the news, click [here](#)

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

- Israel expects that the Sultanate of Oman will be next in the normalization of relations, and the head of the Mossad declares that the deal with Saudi Arabia is close. (October 27). To check the news, click [here](#)

- Israel and the United States expand their scientific cooperation to the West Bank and the Golan Heights. (Oct 28, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

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

- Bahraini Institute signs an agreement with the US State Department to cooperate against anti-Semitism and efforts to delegitimize Israel. (October 25). To check the news, click [here](#)

- The UN Security Council holds a session to discuss the Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas's call for an international peace conference. (26 October 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

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- Nikolay Mladenov, the United Nations coordinator for the Middle East peace process, provides a briefing to the Security Council on the normalization agreements, the implications of stopping security coordination with Israel and the high settlement rates. (26 October 2020). To check the news click [here](#)

- The Organization of Islamic Cooperation welcomes the international stand in support of the Palestinian President's call for an international peace conference. (October 28). To check the news click [here](#)

- Democratic candidate for the US presidential elections, Joe Biden, pledges to guarantee Israel's security and strives to achieve a "two-state solution." (October 28). To check the news click [here](#)

- The United States announces that its citizens born in Jerusalem can register Israel as the country of birth in their passports. (October 29). To check the news click [here](#)

- European Union Spokesperson: We are closely following the deteriorating health of the mute prisoner. (Oct 30, 2020). To check the news click [here](#)

Publications of human rights NGOs:

- Human Rights Watch: The United States seeks to discredit human rights organizations. (24 October 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

- Al Mezan Center issues a report on the torture and ill-treatment of children fleeing the humanitarian catastrophe in Gaza. (26 October 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

- The Palestinian Policy Network issues a report on Israel's campaign against Palestinian institutions in Jerusalem. (28 October 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

- In a statement by B'Tselem: With or without flights to Abu Dhabi, Israel has long annexed the West Bank. (October 27). To check the news, click [here](#)
- Peace Now Movement: Israel issues a permit to build 31 settlement units in Hebron before the American elections. (October 27). To check the news, click [here](#)
- American Jewish Organization: The Trump administration is lifting a ban that has existed for decades to prevent American institutions from cooperating with research institutions located in Israeli settlements, which effectively enables the annexation process underway in the occupied West Bank. (28 October 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- Ir Amim rights organization: 2020 is already the record year for home demolitions in East Jerusalem. (28 October 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)

Human rights conferences and events:

- Al-Haq concludes its first e-summer schools on Palestine and international law. (October 27). To check the news, click [here](#)

Announcements regarding upcoming human rights activities and opportunities:

- The Museum of the Palestinian People will organize a program entitled: Continuing the Conversation: The Palestinian Diaspora Community in Chile. (Oct 30, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- The Jerusalem Fund will hold the annual conference of the Palestine Center 2020: The Future of Palestine. (Nov 7, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)
- The United Nations Committee on the Exercise of the Palestinian People's Rights will hold a virtual event for International Parliamentarians and the Palestine Question. (Nov 12, 2020). To check the news, click [here](#)