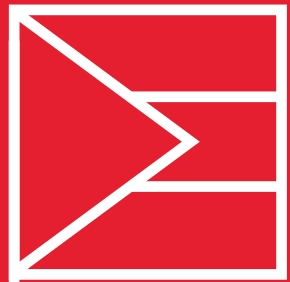


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The third year of Israel's genocide of the Palestinian people has been marked by global attention and the media cycle shifting away from Israel's ongoing genocide in the besieged Gaza Strip and expanding occupation of the West Bank.

Under the false pretence of a 'ceasefire', Israel has **evaded international scrutiny** while **stealing even more Palestinian land**, and continuing to **annihilate the conditions for life** in the Gaza Strip – which remains under **bombardment, total blockade, and forced starvation**.

Around the world, the Zionist project has intensified its **slaughter, criminalisation, and hunting** of Palestinians across all geographies, through **sanctions, racist border policing, and imprisonment**, among other tactics. The result is that Palestinian politics and civil society has never been more fragmented.

At the same time, there is an attempted **rehabilitation of Zionism and Israel** through the scapegoating of 'extremist settlers' and the 'Netanyahu government' as the perpetrators of the genocide in Gaza, rather than genocide being a **core component of the Zionist project** since its inception, and the **innate depravity, fascism, and Jewish supremacy of the entire Israeli population and political system**.

While the Palestine solidarity movement has never been larger, it has also never been marked by such **fatigue, despair, and stagnation**.

Hence, we must use the occasion of the third anniversary of the genocide to critically reflect on both the success of Palestine solidarity over the past three years, but also – more importantly – the **urgent work that remains** to advance and realise Palestinian demands.

As we enter the **beginning of the downfall** of the Zionist project, Zionists will become ever more **rabid and aggressive** as it begins to crumble. This is the precise moment where we must regroup, strategise, and act more than ever to intensify the conditions of its destruction.

We must now more than ever **emulate the Palestinian resistance**, who have **never wavered in their struggle** against the Zionist entity, no matter the **scale of Zionist violence** against them nor the extent of their **sacrifices** for liberation.

**Glory to the martyrs.
Victory to the resistance.
Death to Zionism.**

“It’s always been so lonely being the angry ones who don’t understand why the world isn’t already on fire when a single child’s lifeless body is barely pulled from the rubble of an already crumbling building because the genocidal state had obliterated the entire city and left the survivors no walls to shelter them.

And the world is already sedated, already convinced it has done enough because the intensity of death has been tuned down to a pace the world can accept. And no materials are allowed in to let the people mend and repair on their own. Nothing is let in to help them survive without anyone asking them to be grateful they were allowed to live.

It’s so lonely in Gaza today and every day for the past three years.”

Hanan Habashi

Palestinian writer, educator and storyteller.¹



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3 Years of Genocide: Destruction, Dissent, and the Struggle Ahead

For the past three years, Israel has wrought the most horrific genocide on the besieged Gaza Strip concentration camp in all of history.²

The Israeli Occupation Forces (IOF) have systematically slaughtered hundreds of thousands of Palestinians, including over **1,445** Palestinians in the besieged Gaza Strip in the past year alone, of which at least **300** were children.³

The IOF has also injured more than **175,100** Palestinians, including over **5,200** over the past year. Palestinian doctors have carried out more than **5,000** limb amputations on the injured.⁴

Israel is currently holding more than **9,329** Palestinians hostage in Israeli torture chambers, and subjecting them to torture, starvation, medical neglect, and sexual violence.⁵

Despite the so-called ‘ceasefire’, the IOF has attacked the besieged Gaza Strip on **90 percent** of the days since.¹²¹

Israel also continues to forcibly starve Palestinians to death by blockading food, humanitarian aid, and agricultural equipment from entering the besieged Gaza Strip.⁶ Israel continues to prevent healthy food like fresh meat from entering while allowing the entry of large amounts of sweets, fizzy drinks, and other highly processed foods.⁷

Half of Palestinian babies under the age of two consume zero fresh vegetables or fruit in their diets, and **12 percent** of Palestinian children are chronically malnourished.⁸

Over **90 percent** of Palestinians in the besieged Gaza Strip are displaced from their homes.¹²² Israel continues to obstruct the entry of housing and shelter materials, forcing two thirds of families to continue living in tents or makeshift shelters.⁹

Israel’s genocide has left no sector of Palestinian society untouched, and continues unrelenting despite the so-called ‘ceasefire’.¹⁰ Similarly, protests and dissent against Israel’s genocide has traversed every sector of society and industry.¹¹

Therefore, while remembering both the devastation and dissent of the past three years, it is also essential to highlight some avenues of struggle that the global Palestine solidarity movement must urgently mobilise around, in order to materialise Palestinian demands of justice, liberation, and return.

“We are above in the heavens building a second city, doctors without patients and without blood, teachers without classroom overcrowding, new families without pain or sorrow, journalists taking pictures of heaven, photographs of heaven, and poets writing about eternal love, all of them from Gaza.

In the heavens there is a new Gaza that is being formed without siege.”

The martyr Hiba Abu Nada

Palestinian poet, novelist, and nutritionist, who was killed in an IOF airstrike on 20 October 2023.¹²



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The Healthcare Sector



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The Healthcare Sector

Israel's Destruction of Gaza's Healthcare System

Throughout the past three years of genocide, the IOF has decimated the healthcare sector in the besieged Gaza Strip, as a core mechanism of its genocide.¹³

The IOF has damaged **all of Gaza's 36 hospitals**, with **94 percent** partially or fully out of service.¹⁴

No functioning hospitals remain in northern Gaza.¹⁵

The IOF has systematically slaughtered over **1,722** Palestinian healthcare workers in the besieged Gaza Strip, and launched more than **920** targeted attacks on healthcare facilities and staff.¹⁶

Israel is continuing to prevent the entry of medicines, with **half** of all essential medicines currently unavailable, and **no functioning** MRI machines in the entire Gaza Strip.¹⁷

Israel has also prevented than **20,000** Palestinians requiring urgent medical evacuation from doing so, and at least **300** have died waiting to be evacuated.¹⁸

Dissent within the Healthcare Sector

Dozens of doctors risked their lives to volunteer in Gaza and save lives.¹⁹ Upon their return to their home countries, these doctors – such as Dr Ghassan Abu Sitta and Dr Tanya Haj-Hassan – have been some of the most prominent advocates for ending the genocide, and have submitted extensive evidence to criminal prosecutors.²⁰

Healthcare workers for Palestine and other healthcare-based networks have organised demonstrations, campaigns, and issued demands to complicit organisations to sever relationships with Israel.²¹

Healthcare workers - alongside Doctors Without Borders, Amnesty International, and US lawmakers - have also launched a global campaign demanding

that the IOF urgently release Dr Hussam Abu Safiya, the Director of Kamal Adwan Hospital who was abducted by the IOF on 27 December 2024.¹²³ Since then he has been repeatedly tortured in the Israeli torture chamber known as Sde Teiman Prison.

The Struggle Ahead to Rebuild Gaza's Healthcare System

Healthcare workers must mobilise for governments to commit to fund the rebuilding of Gaza's healthcare system, including hospitals, care centres, laboratories, pharmacies, ambulances, and rehabilitation services.

Healthcare workers must demand justice for murdered healthcare workers, and lobby or finance independent criminal investigations to pursue accountability.

NHS workers must mobilise and take industrial action to refuse to use Palantir technology - which is complicit in Israel's genocide - in the NHS.

Healthcare workers worldwide must take industrial action to demand that Palestinian patients are evacuated from Gaza and that healthcare equipment is allowed into the Strip.

In order to rebuild the Palestinian healthcare workforce, healthcare workers must establish international scholarships, specialist training, fellowships, institutional partnerships, and temporary placements for Palestinian healthcare workers.

More psychological trauma specialist teams must form to provide critical and accessible support for Palestinians within Palestine as well as those in the diaspora.

“I no longer know the taste of sleep. The bodies of children and the screams of the injured, with their blood-soaked images, never leave my sight. The cries of mothers and the wailing of men who are missing their loved ones never fade from my hearing.

I can no longer bear the sound of children’s voices from beneath the rubble, nor can I forget the energy and power that reverberates at every moment, turning into a nightmare. It is no longer easy for me to stand before the rows of coffins, which are locked and extended, or to see the dead people more than the living who are fighting death beneath their homes, not finding a way out to safety and survival.”

The martyr Ismail Al-Ghoul

a Palestinian journalist assassinated by the IOF on 31 July 2024.²²



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The Education Sector

Israel's Destruction of Gaza's Education System

During three years of genocide, the IOF has attempted to destroy the education sector in the besieged Gaza Strip, in what amounts to **scholasticide**.²³

Scholasticide, also sometimes referred to as educide, is the systemic obliteration of the education system of a national, ethnic, racial, or religious group, through the arrest, detention or killing of teachers, students and staff, and the destruction of educational infrastructure.²⁴

In this vein, the IOF has destroyed or damaged **97% of school buildings** in Gaza and **all higher education institutions**.²⁵

195 university buildings were destroyed or severely damaged, alongside **620** specialist laboratories and facilities, **120,000 computers**, and **105 servers**.²⁶

As a result, **92%** of Gaza's school buildings require **full reconstruction or major rehabilitation** to become functional again.²⁷

The IOF has also killed over **21,000** Palestinian students, teachers, and education staff.²⁸

Over **637,000 children** have been deprived of formal education for extended periods and many have experienced significant learning regression.²⁹

The UN specifically identified Israel's **systematic destruction of Gaza's education system** as a key element of its finding that Israel had committed genocide in Gaza.³⁰

Dissent within the Education Sector

Palestinian teachers and lecturers have continued to provide teaching to displaced Palestinian students, both online and in makeshift classrooms.³¹ In 2026, more than 435,000 children received education across 610 temporary learning spaces.³²

Since the genocide began, students around the world have been some of the most coordinated and active protestors for Palestine, and university campuses have become central sites of protest.³³

The global 2024 Palestine solidarity encampment movement occupied over 175 campuses across more than 35 countries worldwide, demanding university divestment and institutional action.³⁴

In the US, student protests for Palestine took place across 45 US states, with encampments, occupations, walkouts or sit-ins on almost 140 campuses, while in the UK, encampments were established at 36 universities.³⁵

Many education unions passed resolutions calling for divestment from companies complicit in genocide and supporting students' demands.³⁶

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The Struggle Ahead to Rebuild Gaza's Education System

Students around the world must re-coordinate mass encampments, occupations, and escalations for Palestine, as most of their demands for the disclosure, divestment, and boycott of Israeli institutions have not been met.

Students and staff must also mobilise to demand that higher education institutions commit to funding the reconstruction of Gaza's destroyed education sector, with Palestinian educators determining priorities and maintaining full independent control over curriculums and teaching. This reconstruction must also include permanent partnerships that provide support with remote teaching, access to laboratories, libraries, computers, and research infrastructure.

Academic institutions must also continue to launch and support criminal investigations to hold accountable those who participated in the destruction of Gaza's education system.

Students must expose and boycott all professors and academics who have expressed Zionist views or condemned student protests to end their careers in academia.

“Israel may kill us at will, burn us alive, and tear us apart, but it will never succeed in uprooting us from our land.

Justice and accountability await—no matter how long it takes.”

Dr Ramy Abdu

Chair of Euro-Med Human Rights Monitor.³⁷



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Israel's Destruction of Gaza's Media Sector

The IOF has killed over **294 Palestinian journalists** in the besieged Gaza Strip – more journalists than any other government or military on record.³⁸

The IOF has destroyed **all media infrastructure** in Gaza, with **no newsrooms** remaining in the besieged Gaza Strip.³⁹

The IOF has also killed **30 journalists** in Lebanon.⁴⁰

Dissent within the Media Sector

Dozens of journalists have resigned or left newsrooms and media organisations – particularly in the UK, US, and Australia – due to these organisations' role in manufacturing consent for Israel's genocide in Gaza, editorial censorship of pro-Palestine voices, and continued promotion of Zionist narratives.⁴¹

The Palestinian Journalists' Syndicate and IFJ established a solidarity centre in Khan Younis providing journalists with electricity, internet, equipment, training and space to work and recover.⁴²

Press freedom and journalism organisations have issued joint statements against the killing of their colleagues in the besieged Gaza Strip.⁴³

Journalism unions internationally have organised solidarity campaigns, demanding protection for Palestinian journalists, access to Gaza and accountability for the killing of Palestinian journalists.⁴⁴

The Struggle Ahead to Rebuild Gaza's Media Sector

Media workers must boycott interviewing Israeli officials and publishing their statements, as every inclusion of the Israeli narrative serves to further manufacture consent for genocide.

Media workers must leave complicit institutions and establish alternative media outlets that do not censor their views on Palestine and adopt an explicitly anti-Zionist editorial line.

Media workers must use industrial action to demand a change to editorial practices and language on Palestine, and to fund and support criminal investigations that seek accountability for the killing of Palestinian journalists.

Media organisations must establish permanent funds for Palestinian journalists and their families, including medical care, housing and psychological support. This funding must also extend to the families of Palestinian journalists martyred during the genocide.

Media organisations must also commit to rebuilding Palestinian media infrastructure, including studios, newsrooms, transmitters, archives, cameras, computers, internet infrastructure, and broadcasting equipment.

“Humanitarian language becomes dangerous when it replaces political truth. When Gaza is framed as a site of “need”, rather than a site of oppression, Israel disappears from the story. Hunger becomes an unfortunate condition rather than a weapon. Destruction becomes “infrastructure damage” rather than deliberate targeting. Palestinians are transformed from a people resisting colonisation into a population awaiting assistance.

Famine in Gaza is often framed as being the result of scarcity or unfortunate circumstances. But Gaza’s hunger is engineered. To describe this as a humanitarian emergency without naming it as a weapon is to participate in a dangerous lie. [...]

To call this a humanitarian crisis without naming Israel as the perpetrator is to conceal intent. Starvation in Gaza is not merely a failure of aid delivery; it is a policy enforced by Israel.”

Asem Alnabih
Palestinian journalist.⁴⁵



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The Humanitarian Sector



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Israel's Destruction of Gaza's Humanitarian Sector

The IOF has killed over **589** aid workers, including: **397** UN staff members, **54** Palestine Red Crescent staff and volunteers, **4** ICRC workers, and **109** NGO workers.⁴⁶

Israel's devastation of the Gaza Strip would cost an estimated **\$71.4 billion** in recovery and reconstruction.⁴⁷

Israel's continued blockade on humanitarian aid, equipment, and personnel from entering the besieged Gaza Strip has severely reduced the capacity of humanitarian organisations and distribution on the ground, with large parts of the Strip currently receiving no humanitarian aid.⁴⁸

Dissent within the Humanitarian Sector

Palestinian humanitarian workers have continued to provide support and sustain operations in the Gaza Strip despite the killing of colleagues, destruction of facilities, the absence of humanitarian aid, and Israel's threats against their lives.⁴⁹

The Struggle Ahead to Rebuild Gaza's Humanitarian Operations

The international Palestine solidarity movement must fund Palestinian humanitarian organisations directly, rather than funding international organisations who cannot get aid through Israel's blockade, or creating structures whereby international organisations dominate or displace local organisations.

Global civil society must escalate to demand the entry of unrestricted humanitarian aid and access to the besieged Gaza Strip, including food, medicine, fuel, water equipment, and reconstruction materials. As long as Israel's blockade continues, so does the genocide.

International humanitarian organisations must commit to funding the reconstruction of Gaza's humanitarian facilities, and must fund and support criminal investigations to gain justice for Palestinian humanitarian workers killed by Israel.

“Women in Gaza are surviving the unsurvivable. They are managing daily food scarcity while caring for their children under conditions of absolute deprivation; although a ceasefire stipulation, Israel continues to block tents and caravans, among other critical winter aid. [...]

They are caring not only for their own children, but also for the injured, the elderly, and the orphaned. Above all, they carry the invisible but crushing emotional labour of holding families together through grief, terror, uncertainty and unrelenting loss amid unprecedented destruction. [...]

Every day, I meet women who are exhausted beyond words, whose bodies starve while their hearts refuse to give up. In Gaza, a mother’s love has become an act of resistance against Israeli oppression.”

Hind Khoudary
Palestinian journalist.⁵⁰



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Israel's Destruction of International Law

Israel's genocide has single-handedly destroyed the façade of the international legal system, demonstrating that not only is international law complicit in enabling genocide, but also that it entirely fails in its ability to protect.⁵¹

Namely, the genocide has demonstrated how Israel enjoys legal impunity from prosecution, and that international legal organisations – such as the UN – have become platforms for statements of genocidal intent by Israel, such as by allowing Polish-Israeli Prime Minister and wanted War Criminal, Benjamin (Mileikowsky) Netanyahu to repeatedly advocate for genocide at the UN General Assembly.⁵²

Dissent within the Legal Sector

In December 2023, South Africa instituted proceedings against Israel under the Genocide Convention at the International Court of Justice (ICJ).⁵³ Other countries joined these proceedings, including Libya, Mexico, Palestine, Spain, Türkiye, Chile, the Maldives, Bolivia, Ireland, Cuba, and Belize.⁵⁴

The ICJ issued provisional orders in January 2024 against Israel, and subsequent orders in March and May 2024.⁵⁵

As of 2026, the ICJ case remains ongoing.⁵⁶ The ICJ has set November 2027 as the deadline for South Africa's next written submission.⁵⁷

In November 2024, the International Criminal Court (ICC) issued arrest warrants for Polish-Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin (Mileikowsky) Netanyahu and Yoav Gallant on allegations of crimes against humanity and war crimes, including starvation as a method of warfare.⁵⁸

In January 2025, The Hague Group was established to coordinate legal measures against the genocide across states, involving arms transfers to Israel, ports, procurement, sanctions and accountability.⁵⁹

In September 2025, the UN formally concluded that Israel had committed genocide in Gaza, based on systematic killing, serious harm, siege and starvation, destruction of healthcare and education, attacks on children, and destruction of religious and cultural sites.⁶⁰

Private law firms and lawyers have also brought a variety of cases against individuals complicit in Israel's genocide, including against Israeli soldiers travelling abroad,⁶¹ stolen land sales fairs,⁶² and the proscription of Hamas⁶³ and Palestine Action.⁶⁴

The Struggle Ahead for Legal Justice and Accountability

Lawyers and law firms must continue to bring cases against perpetrators of the genocide, including against IOF soldiers, Israeli politicians, individuals and organisations facilitating Israel's criminal acts, and the Zionist lobby.

The international legal community must mobilise to enforce the ICC arrest warrants, states' responsibility to end their complicity in genocide, and universal jurisdiction to prosecute individuals' responsible.

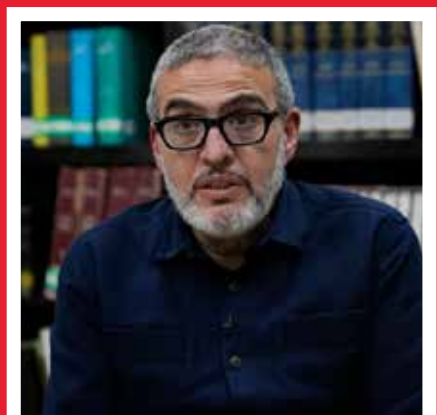
The global Palestine solidarity movement must fund and support Palestinian lawyers and legal institutions, including the funding of legal research, evidence gathering, documentation, litigation, and protection for lawyers and witnesses.

“Israel has been and remains the biggest threat to human life in the region.

A killing machine dressed up as a state by Western colonialism with the sole purpose of eliminating life on the shores of East Mediterranean, like its crusader predecessors.”

Dr Ghassan Abu Sitta

British-Palestinian doctor who volunteered in the besieged Gaza Strip during the genocide.⁶⁵



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The Infrastructural Sector



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The Infrastructural Sector

Israel's Destruction of Gaza's Infrastructure

IOF attacks have caused over **\$35.2 billion** in damage to Gaza's infrastructure, including destruction or damage to over **371,888** housing units.⁶⁶

Israel's genocide has also destroyed over **60 percent** of homes in the besieged Gaza Strip.⁶⁷

Israel's blockade has produced fuel shortages that have repeatedly disrupted the operation of remaining water and sanitation systems in the besieged Gaza Strip.⁶⁸

Israel has continued to cut electricity supply to the besieged Gaza Strip, with only limited and intermittent restoration.⁶⁹

It is estimated that this infrastructural devastation has set human development in Gaza back by **77 years**.⁷⁰

Dissent within the Infrastructural Sector

Palestinians in the besieged Gaza Strip have created improvised infrastructure to survive the destruction of formal systems, including makeshift toilets, improvised water systems and novel methods of generating electricity under conditions of infrastructural destruction.⁷¹

Palestinian engineers and technicians have also provided improvised repairs to damaged water, electricity, sanitation, and communications networks.⁷²

The International Union of Architects adopted a resolution condemning the destruction of Palestinian built heritage, calling for an assessment of the scale of destruction, and committing professional support towards rebuilding Gaza.⁷³

Trade unions in transport and logistics have disrupted the movement of materials and equipment connected to the genocide, including industrial action by dockworkers to prevent Israeli ships and Israeli-destined cargo from being transported through their ports.⁷⁴

The Struggle Ahead to Rebuild Gaza's Infrastructure

The global Palestine solidarity movement must fund Palestinian-led infrastructural reconstruction rather than externally designed rebuilding schemes, and must prevent infrastructure development being weaponised for genocide, such as the proposals by the so-called 'Board of Peace', which would ethnically cleanse Gaza under the guise of redevelopment.⁷⁵

International engineering and architectural unions must establish partnerships to provide expertise, equipment, and training to Palestinian professionals, while retaining full Palestinian control over operations.

The global Palestine solidarity movement must enforce reconstruction as a form of reparations paid by those responsible for the genocide.

“Genocide does not occur in a vacuum. It requires weapons, diplomatic cover, vetoes, silence and complicity. Humanitarian framing allows those responsible – both directly and indirectly – to appear as benefactors rather than enablers. The same states that arm and shield Israel can thus rebrand themselves as donors and mediators. Aid becomes a form of moral laundering, masking complicity rather than confronting it.

What Gaza demands is not charity, but justice. This means ending the occupation, lifting the siege, dismantling systems of apartheid, recognising Palestinian self-determination, and holding perpetrators accountable under international law.”

Asem Alnabih
Palestinian journalist.⁷⁶



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Israel's Destruction of Gaza's Government

Israel has worked to demonise Gaza's government, by depicting all government employees and sectors as members of the armed resistance, rather than public sector workers.⁷⁷ This has undermined the authority of Gaza's government, and the Palestinian people's right to elect their own government.⁷⁸

Gaza's public administration has been physically dismantled alongside civilian infrastructure.⁷⁹ Government offices, schools, hospitals, municipal facilities and other public buildings have been destroyed or rendered unusable.⁸⁰

This has undermined the Palestinian government's capacity to provide basic services, including severe or total disruption to health, education, water, electricity, housing and municipal functions.⁸¹

Israel's continued withholding of Palestinian public finances threatens Palestinian banks' access to the international financial system.⁸²

Israel's genocide has produced a governance vacuum in which humanitarian organisations are being forced to perform public functions.⁸³

Dissent within the Government Sector

Forced by public pressure, a growing number of governments have taken diplomatic, financial, or economic measures against Israel – including the recalling of ambassadors,⁸⁴ severing diplomatic relations,⁸⁵ imposing financial sanctions,⁸⁶ and banning Israeli goods produced on stolen land in the occupied West Bank.⁸⁷

In July 2025, 30 states met in Bogotá, Colombia, and agreed on coordinated measures against Israel, covering arms transfers, port access, procurement, accountability and other forms of state policy.⁸⁸

By September 2025, more than 150 governments recognised the State of Palestine.⁸⁹

The Struggle Ahead to Rebuild Gaza's Government

The global Palestine solidarity movement must push for the decriminalisation of and support for Gaza's government, alongside the global isolation of Israel's government – irrespective of who wins Israel's upcoming election.

Civil society must push governments to pledge to fund Palestinian public institutions directly, given Israel's withholding of Palestinian government funds and the extensive cost of rebuilding Gaza.

Global civil society must also push for their respective governments to end military support for Israel, including arms transfers, intelligence, and logistical assistance.

Global civil society must establish an international reconstruction and accountability framework that gives Palestinian institutions, government, civil society, and workers control over Gaza's future, rather than the architects of its destruction.

**“On the shores of the Mediterranean,
I saw humanity drenched in salt,
Face down,
Dead,
Eyes gouged,
Hands up to the sky, praying,
Or trembling in fear.
I could not tell.
The sea, harsher than the heart of an Arab,
Dances,
Soaked with blood.
Only the pebbles wept.
Only the pebbles.
“All the perfumes of Arabia will not”
grace the rot
Israel breeds.”**

The martyr Dr Refaat Alareer

who was assassinated by the IOF on 6 December 2023.⁹⁰



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The Financial Sector



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The Financial Sector

Israel's Destruction of Gaza's Economy

Israel's genocide has destroyed Gaza's economy, causing unemployment of over **80 percent** as commercial, agricultural, and industrial assets were destroyed.⁹¹

IOF attacks have destroyed most banks and ATMs in the besieged Gaza Strip, producing an extreme liquidity crisis and cash shortages.⁹²

Israel's genocide has also caused Gaza's economy to contract by **84 percent**, with economic and social losses of over **\$22.7 billion**.⁹³

Dissent within the Financial Sector

Financial divestment from Israel and the military-industrial complex has become a central demand in Palestine protests, particularly amongst student and union groups.⁹⁴

Protest campaigns have also targeted major insurers and financial institutions profiting from Israel's genocide, contributing to AXA divesting from Israeli banks and Elbit Systems,⁹⁵ HSBC divesting its entire portfolio from Elbit Systems,⁹⁶ and Norges Bank Investment Management selling dozens of Israeli holdings and excluding several Israeli companies on ethical grounds.⁹⁷

Trade unions and solidarity groups have also protested the investment of pension funds in Israeli corporation and the military-industrial complex,⁹⁸ securing divestment in some instances, including:

- The UK's largest public sector pension pool, Boarder to Coast Pensions Partnership, sold \$29.2 million in Israeli government bonds.⁹⁹
- Danish pension fund AkademikerPension excluded all Israeli state assets.¹⁰⁰
- The London Collective Investment Vehicle liquidated \$9 million in Israeli government bonds.¹⁰¹
- Danish pension fund Pædagogernes Pension divested from Airbnb, Booking Holdings, and Expedia Group due to rental listings operating in the Occupied Palestinian Territories.¹⁰²
- London councils for Newham,¹⁰³ Tower Hamlets,¹⁰⁴ and Islington passed motions in support of divesting their pension portfolios from Israeli organisations and military-industrial investments.¹⁰⁵

UN Special Rapporteur Francesca Albanese's report, *From economy of occupation to economy of genocide*, identified the corporate machinery sustaining genocide across private companies, financial institutions, and arms manufacturers, who have profited from Israel's economy of illegal occupation, apartheid and now, genocide.¹⁰⁶

The Hague Group has explicitly identified financial systems, public contracts and procurement as areas in which governments can sever material support for Israel.¹⁰⁷

The Struggle Ahead to Divest from Israel and the Military-Industrial Complex

Global solidarity groups, trade unions, and civil society must continue to pressure corporations, banks, pensions, and sovereign wealth funds to divest from profiting from or materially supporting Israel.

The financial sector must establish and support a Palestinian reconstruction fund backed by states, unions, universities, foundations and ethical investors, ensuring that reconstruction capital reaches Palestinian institutions and workers.

The global Palestine solidarity movement must continue to pursue legal action to hold corporations accountable for their role in enabling and funding Israel's genocide, and for Palestinians to receive compensation.

“There is one word that explains the bloodshed, the genocide, the massacres, the bombing of hospitals and schools in Gaza today. Zionism. [...]

Zionism is best defined by its material manifestations: home demolitions, military occupation, it is siege, apartheid, racial discrimination, racial elimination. The facts speak for themselves. [...]

Any project that can only achieve its goals through the elimination of one people through dominating them and subjugating them is a genocidal project.”

Mohammed El Kurd

Palestinian writer and poet from occupied East Jerusalem.¹⁰⁸



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The Religious and Cultural Sector



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The Religious and Cultural Sector

Israel's Destruction of Gaza's Religious and Cultural Sector

IOF attacks have damaged **164** cultural sites across the besieged Gaza Strip, including **14** religious sites, **128** buildings of historic or artistic interest, **9** monuments, **2** museums, and **8** archaeological sites.¹⁰⁹

IOF attacks have also destroyed or damaged at least **247** mosques and **3** churches across the Strip.¹¹⁰

These attacks have damaged or destroyed some of Gaza's most historically significant sites, including the Great Omari Mosque, the Saint Porphyrios Orthodox Church complex, and the Rashad al-Shawwa Cultural Centre.¹¹¹

Israel's genocide has also killed **over 118** culture workers, including Palestinian artists, writers, poets, and culture and heritage workers.¹¹²

Dissent within the Religious and Cultural Sector

The Muslim Council of Britain has repeatedly demanded ceasefire, humanitarian access, accountability and political action over Gaza.¹¹³

The World Council of Churches has called for ceasefire, humanitarian access, an end to Israel's blockade, and accountability through international law.¹¹⁴

Dozens of imams, priests, and rabbis have participated in direct action for Palestine, including being arrested in the UK for supporting the proscribed group Palestine Action.¹¹⁵

The late Pope Francis made near-nightly calls to Gaza's Holy Family Parish to pray with, comfort, and monitor the safety of their clergy and congregation.¹¹⁶ Both the late Pope Francis and Pope Leo have called for a ceasefire and an end to Israel's blockade on Gaza.¹¹⁷

In 2025, more than 1,300 artists signed a pledge not to work with Israeli film institutions.¹¹⁸

The Struggle Ahead to Rebuild Gaza's Religious and Cultural Institutions

International religious and cultural bodies must pledge to fund the preservation and reconstruction of Palestinian cultural heritage, including mosques, churches, museums, libraries, archives, historic buildings and archaeological sites.

Religious and cultural organisations must also create international partnerships between Palestinian cultural institutions and their counterparts abroad, providing equipment, expertise, conservation training, and emergency storage for artifacts. These partnerships must be permanent or long-term rather than temporary acts of superficial solidarity.

Religious and cultural organisations must support Palestinian religious and cultural organisations in protecting Palestinian archives and memory, including by digitising manuscripts, photographs, oral histories, artworks and institutional records.

“[On 7th October] Western mainstream media will single out Oct 7 and incessantly platform pro-Israel and Israeli voices to paint Israelis as the only legitimate victims of this ongoing genocide.

No Palestinian in or from Gaza will be platformed.

They will air propaganda unchallenged.”

Abubaker Abed
Palestinian journalist.¹¹⁹



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Manufacturing consent for genocide

Western media outlets have continued to manufacture consent for genocide, amplifying Zionist narratives and Israeli lies, while omitting to portray Israel as the perpetrator, and refusing to use the term 'genocide' to describe Israel's wholesale extermination of Palestinian life.

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*Israel Lists 170 Killed in Gaza It Says Were
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How the US-Israeli strikes on Iran unfolded and the aftermath, moment by moment



Israeli military says unintentionally struck UN agency truck in Gaza



After Family's Fatal Encounter With Israeli Forces, 2 Boys Speak

“I urge you not to let chains silence you or borders hold you back. Be bridges toward the liberation of the land and its people, until the sun of dignity and freedom rises over our plundered homeland.”

The martyr Anas al-Sharif
a Palestinian journalist assassinated by the
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