

Muslims of Toronto solidly in support of a free and independent Palestine

We, the Muslims of Toronto are united with the rest of the world in support of a free and independent country of Palestine. Everyday, we hear or read in the news about the genocide carried out by the Zionists of the state of Israel against Palestinians in Gaza. About 30,000 Palestinian men, women and children in Gaza have been murdered by the Israeli army using missile fire. Almost half of these are children. An estimated 7,000 others are missing, presumed dead under the rubble. This is not collateral damage. It is the deliberate destruction of Gaza, its homes, shops, masjid, churches, hospitals, schools, universities, government offices; and its food, water and medical supplies. More than 70% of the civilian infrastructure in Gaza has been destroyed or severely damaged by the state of Israel's intense bombardment. The Israeli army has forcefully displaced about 1.7 million Palestinians in Gaza who are crowded in the southern city of Rafah. The Zionists of Israel are saying they will drive all of them out of Gaza and turn them into refugees. It is as clear as daylight for the whole world to see that the Zionists intend to control the whole of Palestine from the river to the sea. They will surely fail in this aim and face utter humiliation.

The state of Israel has been supplied arms by the U.S.A. Government, and has been supported by the U.K. Government. So, they are complicit in this. The U.S.A. Government has even vetoed U.N. resolutions calling for a ceasefire so that the Palestinians of Gaza can get food, water and medicine. This is the extent of its obedience to the bloodthirsty Zionist war lobby. Its top political leaders continue to pretend that they are saintly.

It should now be clear to everyone why Allah created hell. It is to punish those who murder and commit other crimes and get away with it.

People of conscience all over the world have shown that they stand fully for justice and are on the right side of history by condemning the genocide carried out by the Zionists and the policy of apartheid which they have instituted.

The mujahideen of Gaza have stood up valiantly and bravely against the sadist Zionist army which is armed to the teeth by U.S.A. May Allah (The Glorified and the Exalted) give these mujahideen complete victory. Amin!

Seeing the unflinching resolve, staunch faith, steadfastness, patient endurance and resistance of Palestinians in the face of such Zionist oppression, non-Muslims are converting to Islam in unprecedented numbers. Al-Hamdu Lillah (All Praise is for Allah)!

As attention has shifted to Gaza, the Zionists have increased their oppression of the Palestinians in the West Bank. Illegal Israeli settlers in the occupied West Bank have increased to 700,000. Settler attacks against Palestinians have more than doubled in the West Bank and they have increased their attacks to drive about 1000 Palestinians out of their homes. About 40% of the occupied West Bank land is now controlled by settlements. The Zionist government has openly funded and built these illegal settlements. Palestinians cannot move freely between the occupied West Bank, East Jerusalem and Gaza and require permits to do so. The Zionists have built an apartheid wall in the West Bank which stretches for more than 700 km. (435 miles). They have placed 700 road obstacles across the West Bank including 140 checkpoints. The reality on the

ground is that segregated Bantustans have been created in the West Bank much like the former Bantustans in apartheid South Africa. These are the main reasons that are cited to show that Zionist policies and laws which are used to dominate Palestinians can be described as apartheid. Given these realities, many political analysts have concluded that a “two state solution” is no longer viable.

While all this has been happening, except for voicing condemnation, political leaders of most of the Muslim countries have looked on helplessly. Muslims all over the world have been dismayed that these political leaders have not helped Palestinians in any concrete way. Some even continue to have friendly relations with the Zionists and some continue to have military bases of the U.S.A. in their countries. Their actions are directly against the teachings of the Qur’an and Hadith. What will they answer Allah on the Day of Judgement?

Political leaders in some Western countries continue to support the Zionists. They would do well to come on the right side of justice and history and support Palestinians.

Fifty countries, beginning with South Africa, which once suffered under apartheid, have put forward the case that the Zionists have committed genocide.

People of conscience worldwide are applauding the sacrifices that people of various faiths and nationalities are making in different capacities to help the Palestinians of Gaza.

Palestinians have captured the narrative to the extent that a majority of the youth in the U.S.A. say that the country of Palestine that existed before the Zionist colonialists came to colonize it should all be established as one country of Palestine, as all of it belongs to the Palestinians.

We, the Muslims of Toronto are united with the rest of the world in support of a free and independent country of Palestine. There is sadness on the faces of those who come for Friday Prayers. When we greet each other, we smile in fulfilment of the tradition of Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) but our hearts are crying. There is congregational du‘a’ for Palestinians after the Prayer. In many masjid, one of the speeches that is delivered on Friday is about how Allah saved Nabi Musa (peace be upon him) and the Bani Israel against the oppression of Fir‘awn (the Pharaoh) who drowned with his men. The message is that throughout history, Allah has finally humiliated and destroyed unjust oppressors.

Donations are collected in the masjid to help the Palestinians. Peaceful demonstrations are held in support of their cause in which hundreds and sometimes thousands participate. Some even go to Ottawa to join such demonstrations. Such demonstrations have been held all over the world. Muslim women weep, and women of other faiths weep as well at the plight of Palestinians. Media platforms are used to show solidarity with Palestinians. A large majority of Muslims have stopped going to stores and restaurants that support the Zionists. Muslims, individually and collectively, are praying for the safety and protection of Palestinians against the Zionist oppression, genocide and apartheid.

The Zionists have exceeded in the oppression of Palestinians to such an extent that a Jewish Rabbi reminded his audience that when the Jews were persecuted in Europe, it was the Muslims who helped them.

O Allah! Protect all oppressed people wherever they are oppressed, especially the Palestinians. Amin!

O Allah! Help the Palestinians against Zionist oppression and the genocide and the apartheid which the Zionists have perpetrated on them. Amin!

O Allah! Provide means so that all the Palestinians get all their needs; enough food, water, light and medical facilities. May they be able to live normal lives in peace. Amin!

O Allah! Heal the wounds of Palestinians who have been wounded in Zionist bombardment. Amin!

O Allah! Unite members of Palestinian families who have been separated. Amin!

O Allah! May all the Palestinians who have been driven away from Palestine by the Zionists and have become refugees, be able to return to Palestine. Amin!

O Allah! Provide means to Palestinians to rebuild their homes, hospitals, schools and the rest of the infrastructure that has been destroyed and to clear the rubble so that they can give a decent burial to those martyrs who have been buried under the rubble. Amin!

O Allah! May all the 4700 Palestinian prisoners held by the Zionists be released. Amin!

O Allah! Inflict defeat and humiliation on the Zionist army so that it is not able to continue with genocide, and its policy of ethnic cleansing of Palestinians. Amin!

O Allah! Destroy the interest based financial empire and the investment empire of the Zionists. Amin!

O Allah! Destroy the hold of the Zionist war lobby on the American Establishment and on the Western media. Amin!

O Allah! Guide political leaders of Muslim countries to strictly enforce shari'ah (sacred Muslim law) and avoid haram (the prohibited) and blameworthy innovations in their countries. Amin! Guide them to do what pleases you, O Allah, and Your Prophet (peace be upon him). Amin!

O Allah! Guide political leaders of Muslim countries who have signed accords and treaties with the Zionists to rescind them. Amin!

O Allah! Guide political leaders of Muslim countries to remove the military bases of U.S.A. from their countries. Amin!

O Allah! Unite all Palestinians and Muslims countries so that they are able to destroy the apartheid established by the Zionists and bring the genocide against Palestinians to an end. Amin!

O Allah! Strengthen the Palestinians so that they are quickly able to establish the independent country of Palestine with al-Quds as its undivided capital, and may it remain so. Amin!

O Allah! Help Muslims to quickly regain full control of Masjid al-Aqsa, the third most sacred masjid and let it remain forever in the hands of Muslims. Amin!

O Allah! Raise the spiritual ranks of Palestinian martyrs. Amin!

In the final supplication to Allah, let us recite:

Yaa Allahu (once)
Yaa Salamu (66 times)
Sallimnaa wa'l-Muslimin (once)
khususannya Falastini (once)

Yaa Allahu
Yaa Hafizu (100 times)
Ihfaznaa wa'l-Muslimin (once)
khususannya Falastini (once)

O Allah!
O The Bestower of Security!
Provide security to us as well as all Muslims
especially the Palestinians. Amin!

O Allah!
O The Protector!
Protect us and all Muslims,
especially the Palestinians. Amin!

Let us recite the whole Qur'an for the martyrs of Palestine. Al-Fatiha!
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