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MyAQSA Foundation Addresses Ongoing Efforts to Bring Israeli War Crimes to the International Criminal Court (ICC)

MyAQSA Foundation is steadfast in its commitment to justice and accountability for the ongoing humanitarian crisis in Palestine. Since 2018, our organisation has been dedicated to bringing the Israeli Zionist Regime's actions before the International Criminal Court (ICC). Together with many other international NGOs, our persistence and dedication have resulted in the official initiation of an investigation into war crimes and crimes against humanity by Israel against Palestine.

On February 9, 2021, the ICC Prosecutor began an official investigation, marking a significant milestone in the pursuit of justice. However, in light of recent events, including the heinous attacks and atrocities committed by the Israeli Zionist Regime in Gaza, MyAQSA Foundation, in collaboration with the Palestinian Government and the Palestinian Embassy in Malaysia, has taken further steps to ensure that justice prevails.

We have prepared a comprehensive dossier, complemented by the latest evidence, detailing the war crimes committed by the Israeli Zionist Regime against the Palestinian population. MyAQSA Foundation is dedicated to delivering this report and evidence to the ICC Prosecutor's office for immediate action.

Our legal team will personally meet with the ICC Prosecutor in The Hague, the Netherlands in the near future to provide the prepared dossier and evidence, with the hope of expediting actions against the tyranny of the Israeli Zionist Regime.

The massacres committed by the Israeli Zionist Regime are blatant crimes of genocide, crimes against humanity and war crimes which are within the ICC's jurisdiction under the Rome Statute, and it is proven, among others, by the following:-

- 1. Since October 7, 2023 to-date, it has been reported that Israeli Zionist Regime has intentionally killed more than 9,000 Palestinians in the last four weeks, for which 70 per cent of them are women and children, not counting the systematic attack and killing of Palestinians by them since the beginning of Israeli Zionist's occupation in 1948.
- 2. The right of self-defence claimed by the Israeli Zionist Regime to counterattack Hamas cannot be sustained and beyond the scope, as they have so far, among others, intentionally dropped more than 18,000 tonnes of bombs on Gaza the cumulative size of the nuclear bomb that the US dropped on Hiroshima resulting 32,000 Palestinian injured and killed more than 9,000 people whereas about 2,060 people, including 1,150 children, have been reported missing under the rubble.
- 3. In fact, the series of Israeli bombardments towards Palestinian towns, villages, dwellings and buildings and recently the strike of al-Ahli Arab Hospital in Gaza, killing an estimated 500 people, including patients and displaced Palestinians sheltering inside, is an apparent war crime under the Rome Statute and a blatant violation of international humanitarian law.



4. On top of that, the acts of the Israeli Zionist Regime to employ the use of artillery-fired white phosphorus in military operations in the most densely populated areas in the world, Gaza and Lebanon, is also a self-evident war crime under the Rome Statute and a blatant violation of international humanitarian law.

MyAQSA Foundation urges the ICC Prosecutor to use their powers, as granted under the relevant clauses, to promptly initiate action against Israel based on the reports and evidence provided.

In addition to these efforts, MyAQSA Foundation believes it is crucial for the international community to take proactive steps to address this pressing issue:

- 1. Formation of an OIC Security Council and Peacekeeping Force: We call upon the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) to establish its own security council and peacekeeping force. Malaysia, a member of the OIC, should play a leading role in advocating and proposing this initiative. An emergency meeting of the OIC should be convened without delay to approve the motion, followed by the expeditious submission of this proposal to the United Nations Security Council.
- 2. **Immediate Boycott of Israel**: We strongly recommend that Muslim countries immediately boycott and cease all forms of business and trade with Israel as a measure of protest against its actions.
- 3. **Severing Diplomatic Relations with Israel**: Muslim countries that currently maintain diplomatic relations with Israel should take immediate action to sever those relations and close Israeli embassies within their respective countries.
- 4. **Joint Initiative at the ICC**: We call on countries that are signatories to the Rome Statute to collectively bring Israeli war crimes cases to the International Criminal Court, ensuring that justice is served and that those responsible for the atrocities are held accountable.

MyAQSA Foundation remains committed to pursuing justice, peace, and accountability for the Palestinian people. We will continue to work tirelessly to ensure that the voices of the oppressed are heard and that those responsible for war crimes and crimes against humanity are brought to justice.

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About MyAQSA Foundation

MyAQSA Foundation is a non-profit organization dedicated to humanitarian and relief efforts for the Palestinian people. Our mission is to provide essential support, promote justice, and raise awareness about the ongoing challenges faced by Palestinians in their quest for peace and self-determination.