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1- The Government of National Unity in Palestine

The Palestinian National unity government has recently become the central issue for the majority of the Palestinians. It seems that most of the population who's about to loose hope - think of the national unity government -NUG- to be the last resort for a way-out from the current crises.

We in the Department of Arab and international relations (DAIR) agrees with this belief and confirms that without such a government the Palestinians would not succeed in breaking the international political and economic siege placed on Palestine.

Formation of an effective NUG can only reach its goals if all Palestinian partners came to agree on a political program that meets the National and international needs guidelines; it should also be able to solve the security issue, find solutions to the economic crises and open the doors for a positive dialogue with the international community.

The NU document – known as the "Palestinian Prisoners' Agreement" is still seen by most as the bases for the NUG and to the Palestinian National project in building a Palestinian independent state with Jerusalem as its capital.

The Palestinian parties should put aside their minor differences and facilitate the formation of NUG without delays- if they failed to do so – they would be account responsible for dragging the Palestinian people into more ciaos and misery.

-2 -Summary of the Israeli violations against Palestinian Human rights (August 2006)

During August 2006, the IOF incursions against the Palestinian areas brought up the following casualties:

- *72 Palestinians, including 14 children, 6 women, 10 of the victims were extra-judicially executed by IOF;
- *190 Palestinian civilians, including 62 children and women, were injured by IOF;
- *220 Palestinian civilians, including 10 women, were arrested by IOF;
- *15 Palestinian houses were evacuated and transformed by IOF into military sites.
- *61 houses were demolished by IOF, another 30 were ruined;
- *500 olive trees were burnt;
- *2293 dunums were expropriated to construct the Apartheid Segregation Wall;

-During the period between 29/9/2000 and 30/8/2006, the IOF killed 4418 Palestinians; 862 of the martyrs were children, 295 were women, 360 were members of the Palestinian National Forces, 471 were assassinated in cold blood, 144 of the martyrs were ill and passed away on Israeli Military checkpoints, 59 were killed by Jewish settlers, 6 were foreign volunteers from the ISM, 10 of the martyrs were journalists and 220 are athletes.

-During the same period, 37,430 Palestinians were injured, 7550 were children and young men who were left with permanent disabilities. 50,000 Palestinians were detained, 10,100 are still in the Israeli jails. Total number of the broken Palestinian houses is 65,676; 7,754 of which were demolished leaving thousands of the Palestinian citizens with no shelter.

-Agriculture is the main resource of living for the Palestinians; but the Israeli measurements affected it severely by uprooting, burning and sweeping away more than a million tree. Since 29/3/2003, the IOF have expropriated more than 299,400 *dunums of land*; to construct new settlements, expand the old ones and build the Apartheid Segregation Wall.

-The IOF maintained its policy of closures and checkpoints preventing the Palestinian workers from the movement between the Palestinian areas and denied them the free access to their jobs, schools and universities.

3- Assassination in cold blood:

Israeli War Crimes are being committed against the Palestinian Civilians:

The Palestinian Civilians that were killed during many IOF aircrafts & tanks invasions and extra-judicial assassinations against the Palestinian Civilians in Gaza Strip and the West Bank, during the period 1-30 August 2006:

Sumaya Abu Oukal, 13, Mervat Abu Sharkh, 24, Aref Abu Kaideh, 15, Amar Al-Natour, 17, Kifah Al-Natour, 15, Huda Al-Nouri, 44, Rashid Al-Omari, 25, Hussein Al-Jad', 44, Raja' Abu Sha'ban, 3, Ramadan Al-Majdalawi, 27, Ahmed Al-Mashal, 20, Zaghoulleh Al-Tibi, 80, Hassan Sha'at, 69, Ibrahim Abu Sha'at, 45, Khaled Shanaytah, 25, Oklah Shanaytah, 33, Ibrahim Sh'ath, 45, Majed Sa'adeh, 20, Mohammed Bani Odeh, 26, Jalal Deireyah, 24, Saleh Abdul Ghafour, 26, Abdul Khalik Al-Fara, 21, Bassam Abu Sharab, 20, Hussam Jaradat, 42, Yousef Abu Dakah, 55, Mohammed Jundieh, 20, Mohammed Hassaneen, 22, Khaled Al-'Ajaleh, 32, Mohammed Hillis, 22, Ala' Al-Rabee, 27, and Mariam Farhoudeh, 60.

For more information:

http://www.pnic.gov.ps/arabic/quds/arabic/shohada_aqsa/7-2006.asp

4-Apartheid Segregation Wall (ASW) & Settling

*****Land confiscation and Trees uprooting:**

2/8/2006: IOF confiscated 1000 *dunums* of agricultural lands in Deer Sharaf village, to expand "Karni Shamron" settlement.

5/8/2006: IOF burnt at least 30 *dunums* of agricultural land in Far'oun village, which has been isolated behind the Wall, south of Tulkarm. IOF did not allow fire engines to reach the area for a long time. On Monday morning, 7 August 2006, IOF burnt 70 *dunums* of agricultural land located in the same village.

6/8/2006: IOF issued a military order confiscating 85 *dunums* of agricultural land in the west of Beit 'Awa village, southwest of Hebron, for the purpose of the construction of the ASW.

10/8/2006: The local council of Kufor Laqef village received a military order seizing 8 *dunums* of land for "military purposes" until 31 December 2009. The land is located near "Karni Shomron" settlement. IOF had already prevented Palestinian civilians from reaching the seized land.

14/8/2006: IOF bulldozers swept away 250 *dunums* of the lands in Kofr Lakif village /Qalqilyeh, to construct a new section of the ASW.

18/8/2006: At least 300 Palestinian civilians and international and Israeli solidarity activists organized a peaceful demonstration in Bal'ein village, west of Ramallah, in protest to the construction of the Wall. IOF fired rubber-coated metal bullets, sound bombs and tear gas canisters at the demonstrators. As a result, Rami 'Abdu, a cameraman of Associated Press, was wounded by a rubber-coated metal bullet.

16/6/2006: IOF bulldozers swept away 550 *dunums* from the lands of Azoon town /Qalqilyeh, to construct a new section of the ASW.

17/8/2006: The Palestinian citizens in Halhoul, Beit Ommer and Al-Aroub towns /Hebron received Israeli military orders of confiscating 1100 *dunums* of their lands to build a new settling road.

5- Israeli Checkpoints and Barriers:

****Ramallah:**

IOF have imposed severe restrictions on the movement of Palestinian civilians. They reinforced their presence at 'Attara checkpoint at the northern entrance of Bir Zeit village, north of Ramallah, and Qalandya crossing at the southern entrance of the town, a checkpoint on the new road near Qalandya crossing and Jaba' checkpoint to the north of the Occupied Jerusalem. They stopped, checked, abused and held dozens Palestinian civilians passing through the checkpoint for several hours under the sun.

****Tulkarm:**

IOF have continued to impose severe restrictions on the movement of Palestinian civilians. 3- 10 /2006, IOF positioned at 'Ennab checkpoint, east of Tulkarm, and at Wad al-Teen

checkpoint, south of the town, continued to prevent Palestinians aged below 35 from passing through the two checkpoints. They stopped and checked Palestinian civilians.

****Nablus:** IOF have continued to impose severe restrictions on the movement of Palestinian civilians. On Saturday morning, August, 5th 2006, IOF closed Beit Eiba checkpoint, west of Nablus. IOF positioned at Za'tara checkpoint, south of Nablus, and various checkpoints around Nablus, prevented hundreds of Palestinian civilians wishing to travel to Ramallah from crossing the checkpoint.

****Jenin:** IOF have continued to impose severe restrictions on the movement of Palestinian civilians to other Palestinian cities; especially the Palestinians whose address in the I.D. is Jenin.

*****Closure of Rafah International Crossing Point:**

IOF have closed Rafah International Crossing Point, even though they do not directly control it. On 18 and 19 July 2006, IOF permitted reopening the crossing point partially, with the presence of EU observers and in agreement with the Egyptian side, for travelers wishing to come back to the Gaza Strip. IOF have closed commercial crossings of the Gaza Strip, especially al-Mentar (Karni) crossing. As a consequence, the economic situation inside the Gaza Strip has further deteriorated and many goods have been lacked in markets.

Thousands of Palestinian civilians have been stuck at the Egyptian side of the crossing, and hundreds of others have been deprived of their right to receive medical treatment abroad. Thousands of Palestinians visiting the Gaza Strip from other Arab countries have been stuck inside the Gaza Strip.

6- Arrests & Jails

6/8/2006: IOF troops arrested Dr. Abdul 'Azeez Dweik, PLC Chairman, in the city of Ramallah.

13/8/2006: The Palestinian prisoners in the Israeli Jalameh jail began a hunger strike, as a cry against bad detaining conditions in the isolated cells.

18/8/2006: IOF troops arrested in the city of Ramallah Dr. Nasser ad Din Ash Sha'er, the Palestinian Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Education and member of the Palestinian Legislative Council (PLC. Till this moment the IOF had arrested 8 Palestinian ministers and 28 PLC members).

7- House & Infra Structure Demolition

IOF intelligence has adopted the policy of warning the Palestinian civilians in the Gaza Strip by phone to evacuate their houses, which are to be attacked in short period of time (15 minutes).

2/8/2006: IOF war jets fired its missiles towards a house belonging to Mohammed Abu Kunais in Gaza Strip, the house was completely destroyed.

6/8/2006: IOF bulldozers demolished 41 Palestinian houses during an incursion to Rafah district, leaving more than 27 Palestinian families without any shelter.

10/8/2006: 9 Palestinian houses were demolished by the Israeli shelling towards Rafah district.

10/8/2006: IOF intelligence warned Hussein Al-Kafarneh and Osameh Abu Amshah from Beit Hanoun /Gaza Strip by phone to evacuate their houses, which were to be attacked; the two houses were destroyed completely by the Israeli War jets missiles.

10/8/2006: IOF war jets fired missiles towards a building in the city of owned by Mohammed Abu Amshah, the building was destroyed completely leaving more than 20 Palestinians without any shelter.

11/8/2006: An Israeli F16 combat aircraft fired one missile that targeted a house belonging to Gameel Al-Habeebi to the east of Jabalya refugee camp, after the Israeli army had notified (by telephone) its residents to evacuate. As a result, the house was destroyed.

14/8/2006: An Israeli F16 combat aircraft fired one missile that targeted a house belonging to Mohammed Ma'rouf in Jabalya; the house was destroyed.

15/8/2006: An Israeli F16 combat aircraft fired missiles towards 1 house belonging to Hussein 'Odeh, 64-year-old, in the town of Beit Hanun, after the Israeli army had notified residents (by telephone) to evacuate.

15/8/2006: IOF demolished 1 house belonging to Ahmed an Nadi in 'Askar refugee camp /Nablus.

21/8/2006: an Israeli F16 combat aircraft fired 1 missile towards and destroyed a house belonging to Hisham 'Asaliyyeh in the town of Jabalya, after the Israeli army had notified residents (by telephone) to evacuate.

22/8/2006: An Israeli F16 combat aircraft fired 2 missiles towards and destroyed a 2-storey house belonging to Ahmed Abu Hmeid, 64-year-old, in the city of Rafah, after the Israeli army had notified residents (by telephone) to evacuate.

22/8/2006: Bulldozers of Jerusalem Municipality demolished 2 houses belonging to the brothers Hani & Issam Zahayka in Jabal Al-Mokaber to the south of the Occupied Jerusalem, claiming that the houses were built without an Israeli building permission.

8- Violations against the press

IOF have targeted journalists and media crews covering the events on the ground. Israeli attacks against journalists aims at hindering journalists from conducting their professional duty of sending the picture of crimes perpetrated by the Israeli government to world public opinion. An Israeli War jet fired a missile toward a car that was traveling in Al-Mansoura street /Gaza

Strip; a number of journalist were in the car and two cameramen, Fadel Shana'ah /Ruters & Sabah Hameedah /Dubai T.V., were injured in the attack.

9-Religious Violations:

13/8/2006: A number of Israeli settlers to entered the Ibrahimi Mosque inside the Old City of Hebron with musical instruments to celebrate a Jewish wedding, in disregard for the feelings of Palestinian

** For the 4th consecutive weeks, the IOF prevented the Palestinians from Gaza Strip and the West Bank from praying in Al-Aqsa Mosque inside the Occupied Jerusalem.

10- Violations against the Palestinian Institutions:

13/8/2006: IOF troops broke into Aliah, Al-Ahli and Al-Meezan hospitals in the city of Hebron, and searched about wounded Palestinians.

20/8/2006: IOF troops broke into, some property of the headquarters of Islamic Charitable Institution, Orphans school, Quran institution and a medical compound in Al-Shoyoukh town /Hebron city, searched and seized some of the property.

20/8/2006: IOF troops broke into the Islamic Charitable institutions and its schools in Beit Oula town /Hebron, ruined and seized some of the property.

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