

A Statement issued by the Palestinian Scout Association

To: National Scout Organizations Leadership, Scout leaders around the world, International Scouts that are part of the Scouting Movement, World organization of Scout Movement.

We emphasize that the Scout Movement is a non-political, independent and peaceful movement, and we affirm our commitment to the principles of the Scout Movement and its goals as a global educational organization that works to develop the capabilities of young people.

Greetings from Palestine, while a national massacre that is witnessed by the world is happening as we speak, in which the forehead of the surrendered world dews for, the world who is subservient and absentee from the system of justice and freedom and launches its aggression against our people with all its dirty killing tools targeting innocent civilians.

7Palestinian Scout leaders and scouts have been killed so far during the Israeli aggression on Gaza Strip.

About a month ago, 28 leaders and scouts returned to Gaza from their participation in the World Scout Jamboree in Korea 2023, accompanied by Scout Yamen Abu Kamil from the Gaza Scout Commission, who was killed by the bombing of Israeli occupation aircrafts on his house several days ago in Gaza.

They also killed 6 leaders and scouts while they were volunteering in humanitarian voluntary work to help people under aggression in hospitals and shelters among their families, in their neighborhoods, cities, and refugee camps. Volunteer work which is part of our Scout Method!

The rest of Yamen's companions who returned to Gaza carrying the sublime message of the World Scout Jamboree and the Scout Movement, the friendships, and noble human values, to implement it by working with their comrades in Palestinian Scouts. All Together to face the difficulties they experience on a daily basis due to the Israeli siege on the Gaza Strip for more than 17 years.



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Today, members of the Palestinian Scouts, their families, and more than 600,000 citizens were displaced under indiscriminate bombing strikes and threatened by the Israeli occupation to leave their homes from Gaza City and its north to the governorates of the southern Gaza Strip so that their homes get bombed. They were forced to flee in the smallest area of the world, where 2.3 million people live in inhumane conditions simply Infront of the eye of the world, this place which is described as the largest human prison in the world.

Today, we write you this statement under bombardment, thirst, hunger, electricity outage, fuel exhaustion, scarcity of basic needs, and displacement, all as a result of the policies of collective punishment, ethnic cleansing, and genocide that Israel is committing against our defenseless and innocent Palestinian civilians.

We condemn the support of many countries and biased media towards the Israeli narrative without paying attention to the rights of Palestinians .

We are frustrated and disappointed from nations and humanitarian work systems for its silence and biased interests without considering the crimes against humanity that are occurring as we speak .

How can this world remain silent about the killing of more than 4,300 citizens, more than 65% of whom are children and women, and more than 1,200 citizens are missing under rubble .

They are also targeting hospitals, the most recent in which they bombed the Baptist Hospital in Gaza killing more than 1000 civilians including children.

The continued silence of various global governmental and non-governmental entities and international organizations increases the Israeli occupation's attempts to commit its crimes against us. Based on the World Scout promise in which we raise our scout children to help people in all circumstances, we launch our appeal to you as follows:

-That the World Scout Bureau issues a statement mourning the members of the Palestinian Scouts who were killed by the Israeli occupation during the



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aggression on Gaza and to share and support the Palestinian Scout Movement.

-Raise your voice at the level of international and Arab scout associations to pressure governments and demand an end to the aggression against Gaza and the provision of a humanitarian corridor to bring in urgent aid for basic needs to save people from thirst and hunger.

-Launch a call to all Scout associations and volunteers to mobilize efforts and resources to assist the humanitarian work teams in Gaza Strip and support them in various ways.

Our final message to our scouting brothers and friends in the world is: "If you cannot lift the injustice against Palestine and the aggression against Gaza, at least tell everyone about it".

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