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A weekly newsletter on the latest news, developments, relevant publications, And upcoming events on the QoP. This newsletter aims to help the members of the Global Network on the Question of Palestine (GNQP) to stay informed of legal, academic, political, and humanitarian developments, and be ready for action when needed.

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In the Spotlight: Amnesty International's Apartheid report https://www.amnesty.org

A state of apartheid: Amnesty's view on Palestine, (by Rania Muhareb) RTE, February 2, 2022.

Amnesty International report says Israeli authorities must be held accountable for the crime of apartheid against Palestinians.

What makes Amnesty's apartheid report different?, <u>THE ELECTRONIC</u> <u>INTIFADA</u>, February 3, 2022.

What makes Amnesty International's new report determining that Israel practices the crime of apartheid against Palestinians any different from those that came before it?

The Battle to Overthrow Israeli Apartheid has Begun, (by Mustafa Barghouti), <u>The New Arab</u>, February 6, 2022.

Amnesty International's report lays solid ground, unprecedented in its strength, to expand the campaign of boycott, sanctions, and divestment on the Israeli apartheid regime.

Is This Israel's South Africa Moment? (by Omar Barghouti and Stefanie Fox), *The <u>Nation</u>*, February 7, 2022.

As Amnesty International issues a landmark report on Israeli apartheid, it's time for Americans to demand accountability, not complicity, from their government.

Why Is Israel Fearful of Amnesty's Apartheid Report? (by Maureen Clare Murpy), <u>THE CITIZEN IS HOPEFUL</u>, February 7, 2022.

What makes Amnesty International's new report determining that Israel practices the crime of apartheid against Palestinians any different from those that came before it?

Palestinian Christians welcome Amnesty International's apartheid report, (by Jeff Wright) <u>Mondoweiss,</u> February 7, 2022.

last week Kairos Palestine (KP), expressed gratitude for Amnesty International's courage in documenting that "Israel's laws, policies, and practices constitute an apartheid state".

Israel's apartheid and the myth of the democratic Jewish state, (by

Marwan Bishara) ALJAZEERA, February 8, 2022.

Israel's strategy of throwing anti-Semitism accusations at those calling it an apartheid state is doomed to fail.

Palestine/Israel

'Holy Land Confederation': Oslo Accords Architect Presents New Peace Plan, (by Allison Kaplan Sommer) <u>HAARETZ,</u> February 9, 2022.

Veteran Israeli peace negotiator Yossi Beilin and Palestinian attorney Hiba Husseini suggest the creation of a confederation, with people swaps involving settlers and refugees, as a way to revive the two-state solution.

West Bank Stages General Strike in Mourning of Three Palestinians Killed in Nablus, *The Palestine Chronicle*, February 9, 2022.

Shops and businesses were shut down on Wednesday in protest against the Israeli army's assassination of three Palestinian activists in Nablus.

Unequal health services for Palestinians are elements of 'Israel's apartheid,' as documented by Amnesty, <u>Mondoweiss</u>, February 8, 2022.

Preventable illness and suffering, limited access to health services, and physical and mental trauma among Palestinians are clearly related to conditions of life under occupation and violence perpetrated by the Israeli government, military, police, and settlers.

Israeli minister keeps up campaign against growing settler violence, (by Afif Abu Much) <u>AL-MONITOR</u>, February 8, 2022.

Public Security Minister Omer Bar Lev's efforts are being challenged by other Cabinet ministers and Knesset members.

Pegasus: What you need to know about Israeli spyware, <u>ALJAZEERA,</u> February 8, 2022.

The Israeli company has been linked to governments exploiting its technology to spy on journalists, activists and politicians.

Israeli soldiers open fire at car in Nablus killing Palestinians, (by Jeff Wright) <u>ALJAZEERA</u>, February 7, 2022.

Palestinian Authority condemns the assassination of three Palestinians in occupied West Bank, calling it a 'heinous crime'.

Tantura: Israel is waking up to its crimes since the Nakba but is still far from a true reckoning, (by Emad Moussa) <u>The New Arab</u>, February 7, 2022.

In Tantura massacre, executioners are believed over victims.

IDF launches surprise Gaza drill to test Southern Command's readiness, (by Judah Ari Gross) <u>THE TIMES OF ISRAEL</u>, February 7, 2022.

Exercise is meant to simulate a sudden outbreak of violence along the border; residents told to expect to see major troop movements.

Abbas: Talks with Israelis serve our interest, but 'no substitute' for peace process (By Aaron Boxerman), *The TIMES OF ISRAEL*, February 7, 2022.

In rare gathering of PLO leadership, PA president pledges 'reform,' but analysts say conference mostly aims to nominate politicians close to Abbas to fill key positions.

Israel Spyware Scandal: Bennett Vows Action After Police Reportedly Targeted Gov't Officials, Journalists, Activists (By Noa Shpigel, Jonathan Lis and Josh Breiner), <u>HAARETZ,</u> February 7, 2022.

Israel Police used NSO Group's Pegasus spyware without a court order to hack into the phones of Netanyahu's son, lawmakers, businesspeople and activists.

Regional

OIC condemns Israel's killing of 3 Palestinians in Nablus, <u>ARAB</u> NEWS, February 9, 2022.

The Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) condemned the Israeli killing of three Palestinian youths in Nablus.

Israel warns of UAE crisis over Dubai aviation security dispute,

ALJAZEERA, February 9, 2022.

Security disagreements between Shin Bet and Dubai security authorities might prompt Israeli airlines to stop flying to Dubai.

Vote on Israel's African Union ouster deferred for a year, (Lahav Harkov), <u>THE JERUSALEM POST</u>, February 6, 2022.

Algeria and Africa were not able to kick Israel out.

International

WATCH: 'Anti-Apartheid' Protest Greets Israeli Ambassador at Cambridge University, *The Palestine Chronicle*, February 9, 2022.

More than 100 students at Cambridge University rallied on Tuesday against extreme right-wing ambassadors to the UK.

Israel Detains, Interrogates Two German Researchers at Its Munich

Consulate, *The Palestine Chronicle*, February 8, 2022.

Two German researchers were unlawfully detained at the Israeli Consulate in Munich last January after they decided to appeal to Israel's decision to prevent them from entering the country and the West Bank for five years.

US 'monitoring' Israeli jailing of Gaza rights worker for 5 years with no verdict, (by Jacob Magid), <u>THE TIMES OF ISRAEL</u>, February 8, 2022.

The Biden administration is "closely monitoring" Israel's ongoing detention and trial of a Gazan humanitarian worker accused in 2016 of redirecting millions of dollars in aid to Hamas.

World Bank gives Palestinian Authority new grant to fight COVID-19, <u>AL-</u> <u>MONITOR</u>, February 7, 2022.

The World Bank has set aside a new grant of more than \$3 million for the Palestinian Authority to fight COVID-19.

From sewage dump to nature reserve, UN hopes to save Gaza Valley, <u>Y</u> <u>net news .com</u>, February 7, 2022.

The United Nations is set to begin the restoration of a historic valley in the Palestinian Gaza Strip next month, hoping to transform it from a landfill and sewage dump into a vibrant nature reserve in a planned \$66 million project.