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In the Spotlight

President Abbas welcomes President Biden's visit to Palestine, [WAFA News Agency](#), June 22, 2022.

President Mahmoud Abbas, the President of the State of Palestine, welcomed the announced visit by U.S. President Joe Biden to Palestine which has been scheduled for July.

Israel to Dissolve Government to Preserve Apartheid, [THE ELECTRONIC INTIFADA](#), June 22, 2022.

Israel is set to dissolve its government to maintain its apartheid system in the West Bank, where Palestinians have lived under military dictatorship since it was occupied in 1967.

Reports: PA Releases Officers Who Killed Activist Nizar Banat, [The Palestine Chronicle](#), June 22, 2022.

Palestinian Authority (PA) President Mahmoud Abbas has reportedly ordered the release of 14 officers accused of killing Palestinian activist Nizar Banat last year, Quds Press wrote on Tuesday.

Israeli Parole Committee Designates Ahmed Manasra's Case as 'Terrorism', [The Palestine Chronicle](#), June 22, 2022.

An Israeli parole committee on Wednesday designated the case of Ahmad Manasra, who was arrested at the age of 13, as "terrorism", according to Manasra's defense team.

An investigation by Top US Media On Abu Akleh's Murder Confirms What Palestinians Have Been Saying All Along, [WAFA News Agency](#), June 21, 2022.

It has been more than 40 days since Palestine lost one of its most influential, prominent, and hard-working women in the field of journalism and media to a cold-blooded murderer known for committing atrocities without any accountability whatsoever.

NY Times Says Israeli Forces 'Most Likely' Shot Shireen Abu Akleh, [ALJAZEERA](#), June 21, 2022.

New York Times report adds to the growing number of probes pointing the finger at Israel for killing an Al Jazeera journalist.

New York Times report: Bullet that Killed Shireen Abu Akleh Was Fired from The Approximate Position of An Israeli Military Vehicle, [WAFA News Agency](#), June 20, 2022.

A New York Times investigation concluded that the bullet that killed Palestinian-American journalist, Shireen Abu Akleh, was fired from "the approximate position of an Israeli military vehicle," it said.

PLO's Secretary-General Discusses Latest Political Developments with Greek Consul General in Jerusalem, [Wafa News Agency](#), June 20, 2022.

The Secretary-General of the Executive Committee of the PLO, Hussain al-Shaikh discussed today the latest political developments on the Palestinian issue at all levels, locally and globally, with the Greek Consul General in Jerusalem, Evangelos Vlioras.

A Plan to Build a Settlement Park East of Jerusalem Is the Last Bullet into the Two-State Solution - Premier, [Wafa News Agency](#), June 20, 2022.

The Israeli colonial plan to build a settlement park between Jerusalem and the Dead Sea on an area of about one million dunums is the last bullet in what remains of the two-state solution, today said Prime Minister Mohammad Shtayyeh.

Palestinians Urge Israel to Hand Over Gun in Abu Akleh Case, [THE JORDAN TIMES](#), June 19, 2022.

Palestinian Territories — The Palestinian Authority on Sunday called on Israel to hand over the gun that allegedly fired the shot which killed Al Jazeera reporter Shireen Abu Akleh.

Memorial Marks 40 Days Since Killing of Al Jazeera's Abu Akleh, [ALJAZEERA](#), June 19, 2022.

Hundreds of people attended a memorial event to mark 40 days since the killing by Israeli forces of well-known Al Jazeera journalist Shireen Abu Akleh, who was shot dead last month in the occupied West Bank city of Jenin.

As Israel Investigates the Killing of a Palestinian Journalist, Many Doubts There Will Be Justice, [NBC News](#), June 18, 2022.

Israel's military says it is still investigating the killing last month of Shireen Abu Akleh, a veteran Palestinian American correspondent for Al Jazeera.

Polish Party Razem Recognizes Israel as an Apartheid State, Says BDS Movement, [Wafa News Agency](#), June 18, 2022.

Ahead of its 2022 annual congress, the Polish political party Razem has recognized Israel as an apartheid state and endorsed the nonviolent Boycott, Divestments, and Sanctions (BDS) movement for Palestinian rights, the BDS movement said in a statement today.

Polish Political Party Razem Recognizes Israel as an Apartheid State, Endorses BDS, [BDS](#), June 17, 2022.

Ahead of its 2022 annual congress, the Polish political party Razem recognizes that Israel is an apartheid state and endorses the nonviolent, Palestinian-led Boycott, Divestments, and Sanctions (BDS) movement for Palestinian rights.

Amnesty Urges Israeli Authorities to Release 'Mentally Ill' Ahmed Manasra, [The Palestine Chronicle](#), June 18, 2022.

Amnesty International has urged Israel to 'immediately' release Ahmad Manasra, a 20-year-old Palestinian man who was arrested seven years ago as a child, The New Arab reported.

PA Pushing for UN Apartheid Committee on Israel, Amnesty Head Says, [THE JERUSALEM POST](#), June 18, 2022.

We need to use all possible tools to bring pressure so that the systems of oppression and domination in Israel are disestablished."

Palestine/Israel

Palestinian Killed After Being Stabbed by Israeli Settler in Salfit, [Palestian Center for Human Rights](#), June 22, 2022.

Yesterday evening, a Palestinian was killed after an Israeli settler stabbed him in Iskaka village, east of Salfit, and was left to bleed to death as the Israeli Occupation Forces (IOF) obstructed the provision of medical aid to him.

Presidency, Prime Minister Condemn Israeli Settler's Stabbing to Death Of A Palestinian Man, [Wafa News Agency](#), June 22, 2022.

The presidency and the prime minister yesterday condemned the Israeli settler's stabbing to death of a Palestinian man in the north of the West Bank.

Israeli Forces Kill Palestinian Worker Crossing into Israel from Northern West Bank, [The New Arab](#), June 21, 2022.

"Since then, he has always crossed into Israel clandestinely to get his family's bread, always risking his life," said his brother.

Israeli Army to Proceed with Masafer Yatta Drills Despite Protests, [The Palestinian Chronicle](#), June 21, 2022.

The Israeli army will begin military exercises in the occupied West Bank area of Masafer Yatta on Tuesday, despite opposition from Palestinian residents, The New Arab reported.

Foreign Ministry Condemns Israeli Court Decision Against the Detainee Al-Halabi, [Wafa News Agency](#), June 19, 2022.

Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Expatriates condemned today the decision of the Israeli occupation court against Palestinian detainee, Mohammad al-Halabi, affirming that the court adopted the charges fabricated by the occupation security services.

Israeli Forces Kill Palestinian Near Separation Barrier, [AP](#), June 19, 2022.

TEL AVIV, Israel (AP) — Israeli forces shot and killed a Palestinian man on Sunday, the Palestinian Health Ministry said, after the Israeli military said he tried to illegally cross the separation barrier that divides Israel and the occupied West Bank.

Palestinian, 53, Killed by Israeli Forces in Occupied West Bank, [ALJAZEERA](#), June 19, 2022.

The Palestinian Foreign Ministry condemns the killing of Nabil Ahmed Ghanem at Israel's separation wall in Qalqilya in the occupied West Bank.

PM Bennett: Zero tolerance for rockets from Gaza, [THE JERUSALEM POST](#), June 19, 2022.

Bennett's remark came after a rocket was launched into Israel, and the IDF struck back at what it said was a workshop for making weaponry.

Palestinian Fatally Shot while Trying to Sabotage Kalkilya Separation Fence, [THE JERUSALEM POST](#), June 19, 2022.

A Palestinian was fatally shot by the IDF while trying to sabotage a separation fence by Kalkilya in the West Bank on Sunday morning, according to a report by Ynet.

Sit-In Held in Ramallah in Support of Two Hunger-Striking Prisoners in Israeli Jails, [Wafa News Agency](#), June 18, 2022.

Dozens of Palestinians participated today in a sit-in in Ramallah in support of two Palestinian prisoners, who have been on an open-ended hunger strike in protest of their administrative detention in Israel.

Israeli Warplanes Attack Several Locations in Besieged Gaza Strip (VIDEO), [THE PALESTINE CHRONICLE](#), June 18, 2022.

Israeli warplanes attacked several locations in the besieged Gaza Strip on Saturday morning, causing heavy damage but no injuries, the official Palestinian news agency Wafa reported.

Three Palestinians Killed by Israeli Forces in Jenin Raid, [ALJAZEERA](#), June 17, 2022.

Ten others were injured in the latest deadly Israeli raid in the occupied West Bank.

Israel Adds 2,000 Work Permits for Gaza Palestinians, [AL-MONITOR](#), June 17, 2022.

Israeli authorities increased by 2,000 the number of work permits for Gaza Palestinians, to a total of 14,000, and intend to add 20,000 work permits for West Bank Palestinians.

Regional

World Refugee Day: Arab League Stresses Right of Return for Palestinians, [Doha News](#), June 20, 2022.

The Arab League has shone a light on the right of return for Palestinian refugees that have been forced to leave their homes since the establishment of Israel in 1948. In a statement to mark UN World Refugees Day on Monday, the bloc also said compensation and restoration of property

should be looked into, emphasising the importance of ensuring the protection of displaced Palestinians as well as the refugees and immigrants.

Lebanese Maronite Patriarch Calls For 'Final Solution' For Palestinian Refugees, [THE JERUSALEM POST](#), June 20, 2022.

The patriarch stressed that "everyone" has disavowed the Palestinian demand for a "right of return." Lebanon's Maronite Patriarch Bechara Boutros al-Rahi called on Saturday for the deportation and resettlement of Palestinian refugees with the help of the international community, stressing that Lebanon must consider its own national interests.

EU, Egypt Stress Two-State Solution only Path to Resolve Palestine Question, [Saudi Gazette](#), June 20, 2022.

The European Union (EU) and Egypt Monday underlined comprehensive resolution to the Palestine question is the two-state solution that ends Israel occupation and leads to the establishment of an independent, contiguous, sovereign and viable Palestinian State, on the lines of June 4, 1967, with East Jerusalem as its capital.

International

UK Voices "Deep Disturbance" Over Killing Palestinian in Settler Stabbing Attack, [Wafa News Agency](#), June 22, 2022.

The United Kingdom today voiced "deep disturbance" over Tuesday's killing of a Palestinian in a stabbing attack by an Israeli settler.

President Abbas At the Signing of A €224 Million EU Financing Agreement: Implement Only One UN Resolution, [Wafa News Agency](#), June 21, 2022.

Under the auspices of President Mahmoud Abbas and in his presence, Palestine and the European Union last night signed at the presidential headquarters in Ramallah a €224 million financing agreement for the year 2021 during which the President urged the international community to implement only one of the dozens of the United Nations resolutions related to Palestine.

International Filmmakers Call out Doc Edge for 'Art-Washing' Israel's Racism, Apartheid, [The Palestine Chronicle](#), June 21, 2022.

International filmmakers have called out the Documentary Edge Festival for its "art-washing" of Israeli racism and apartheid against Palestinians.

Exeter College JCR Passes Unprecedented Motion Supporting Palestine, [Wafa News Agency](#), June 19, 2022.

The Junior Common Room (JCR), a representative student body within the University of Oxford, has passed an unprecedented motion condemning recent actions by Israel and resolving to donate funds in support of medical aid for Palestinians, the University of Oxford's biggest student newspaper, the Oxford Student.

UN Experts Condemn Israel's Arbitrary Detention of Palestinian Aid Worker, [Wafa News Agency](#), June 16, 2022.

UN human rights experts today denounced Israel for abusing counter-terrorism laws to target and silence human rights defenders, after an Israeli court accused Palestinian aid worker Mohammed el-Halabi of "financing terrorism". Francesca Albanese, Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Palestine, and Fionnuala Ni Aolain, Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of human rights, said, "The conviction of the former program director of World Vision's Gaza office was a clear violation of Israel's obligation to respect the right to a fair trial and due process, as well as its obligation as an Occupying Power under international humanitarian law."

Palestinian Refugees and UNRWA

During A Visit to Syria, Unrwa Advisory Commission Members Express Their Strong Support to Palestine Refugees, [UNRWA](#), June 20, 2022.

A delegation of UNRWA Advisory Commission members visited UNRWA in Syria on the 18 and 19 June 2022, the first such visit since the conflict started in the country over a decade ago. The delegation included Finland, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Lebanon, Norway, Palestine, Sweden, Switzerland, Syria, and the European Union was accompanied by Ms. Leni Stenseth, UNRWA Deputy Commissioner-General, and Mr. Amany Michael-Ebye, Director of UNRWA Affairs in Syria.

UNRWA Inaugurates New School in Saida, Lebanon, [UNRWA](#), June 17, 2022.

Commissioner-General of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNRWA), Philip Lazzarini, said yesterday that "there are no plans to delegate UNRWA's tasks to other parties, but the agency is facing a crisis in obtaining its needs." Speaking at a joint press conference with the head of the Lebanese-Palestinian Dialogue Committee, Lazzarini noted that "UNRWA is trying as much as possible to maintain the basic services it provides to Palestinian refugees", adding that more than 80 percent of Palestinian refugees in Lebanon live below the poverty line.

UNRWA Chief: No One Will Take Over Agency's Tasks, [Middle East Monitor](#), June 16, 2022.

The United States and France are among the largest donors to UNRWA. In 2021, the United States government contributed US\$ 338.4 million to UNRWA and the French government donated EUR 23.55 million. It is thanks to the enduring support of donors like the United States and France that UNRWA continues to provide lifesaving humanitarian services to Palestine refugees.

Analysis & Opinions

It's Time To Stand With Gaza As Inflation Hits the Blockaded Territory Hard, (Dr Ali Abo Rezg), [Middle East Monitor](#), June 22, 2022.

The weary Gaza Strip has been languishing for more than 15 years under an inhumane land, sea and air blockade imposed by Israel. It was put in place following the Palestinian election in 2006 which was won by Hamas.

Targeting BDS is about Repressing all Political Dissent, (Yara Hawari), [The New Arab](#), June 20, 2022.

Yara Hawari highlights the concerning policies that the UK government is using to target both Palestine solidarity, as well as wider social justice movements and mobilizations. This also presents an opportunity for collective resistance, she writes.

‘NYT’ Probe Into Killing Of Shireen Abu Akleh Is 6 Weeks Late — And Not Enough, (James North), [Mondoweiss](#), June 20, 2022.

The New York Times finally concludes that the bullet that killed Shireen Abu Akleh “was fired from the approximate position of an Israeli military vehicle.” Just like everyone else said!

The Land Beyond the Road is Forbidden’: Israeli Settler Shepherds Displace Palestinians, (Bethan Mckernan), [The Guardian](#), June 20, 2022.

There are 77 Israeli farms and shepherding outposts across the West Bank, part of an explosion in settlement growth in recent years.

Ripping up the Evidence: How Israel Maintains Global Impunity, (Gideon Livey), [Middle East Eye](#), June 20, 2022.

From Chaim Herzog in 1975 to Gilad Erdan last year, Israeli officials have taken dramatic steps to avoid accountability for the state's crimes.

A Colonized Palestine Isn't the Answer to The World's Guilt, (Tareq Baconi), [+972 MAGAZINE](#), June 20, 2022.

Zionism's synergy with right-wing populists has exploited antisemitism to justify apartheid. And Palestinians refuse to be its silent victims.

Gaza's Children Are Suffering: Trudeau's Shame Is Canada's Shame, (Andrew Mitrovica), [ALJAZEERA](#), June 20, 2022.

As the brutal blockade on Gaza turns 15, Canada's prime minister is still refusing to keep his promise to help Palestinian children in need.

Hamas' Use of Excessive Force to Displace Bedouins Angers Gazans, (Correspondent in Gaza), [Al-Monitor](#), June 19, 2022.

Public and official anger could be felt in Gaza after Hamas security forces attacked the residents of the Bedouin village of Umm al-Nasr, north of Gaza, to forcibly displace them and demolish their homes under the pretext that they do not own these houses.

‘Same Agenda, Just More Subtle’: Bennett-Lapid Government’s First Year in Numbers, (Oren Ziv), [+972 Magazine](#), June 19, 2022.

New figures show surge in killings of West Bank Palestinians and no drop in demolitions during the first 12 months of the ‘government of change.’

NPR Airs Shireen Abu Akleh Family’s Demand for the U.S. to Investigate her Killing, (Philip Weiss), [Mondoweiss](#), June 18, 2022.

Brother Anton Abu Akleh is clear about the family’s demand. An investigation that Israel has no part of.

Zionist Double Standard: Why Public Supporters of Israel Should Expect to Be Criticized, (Yves Engler), [The Palestine Chronicle](#), June 18, 2022.

Liberal MP Ya’ara Saks is claiming to have been the victim of “hate” when young people yelled, “stop supporting the killing of Palestinians”. The Centre for Israel and Jewish Affairs, Friends of Simon Wiesenthal Center Canada and B’nai B’rith, as well as NDP MPs, all amplified her hypocritical claims on Twitter.

Op-Ed: There's no Hope for Israeli-Palestinian Peace, (Shlomo Ben-Ami), [LA Times](#), June 17, 2022.

In the 55 years Israel has been occupying Palestinian lands, there have been two intifadas, four wars in Gaza and a long series of failed efforts to negotiate a two-state solution roughly adhering to Israel’s pre-1967 borders. The situation may truly be as hopeless as it seems.

Biden administration continues to disregard the Palestinian people, (Mitchell Plitnick), [Mondoweiss](#), June 17, 2022.

Joe Biden's upcoming trip to Palestine in July will serve as yet another message to the Palestinian people that Israel is working hand in hand with the U.S.

Questions for the Israeli soldier who shot Shireen Abu Akleh, (Terry Ahwal), [Mondoweiss](#), June 14, 2022.

For the last month I have not been able to stop thinking about Shireen Abu Akleh, or the Israeli soldier who killed her. Here are the questions I would like to ask the person who pulled the trigger.

Publications and Statements

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