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In the Spotlight

White House is Waving ‘Red Flag to A Bull’ For Israel to Crackdown on Palestinian Groups, [Mondoweiss](#), August 31, 2022.

Israel is seeking to "liquidate" the Palestinian issue in its crackdown on human rights groups and Europe knows it, Khaled Elgindy says.

PM Shtayyeh Stresses the Need for The US to Fulfill its Promises with Regard to Palestine, [Wafa News Agency](#), August 31, 2022.

Prime Minister Mohammad Shtayyeh stressed the need for the United States to fulfill its promises with regard to Palestine and to support Palestine's admission to the United Nations as a full member state.

Palestinian Detainee to End Nearly 6-Month Hunger Strike, [ARAB NEWS](#), August 31, 2022.

A Palestinian detainee held without charge or trial by Israel said Wednesday that he will suspend his nearly six-month hunger strike after reaching an agreement that will see him released in October.

Presidency Warns Further Harm to Prisoners in Israeli Custody Will Implode the Situation, [Wafa News Agency](#), August 31, 2022.

The Presidency today warned any harm resulting from Israeli brutal measures against Palestinian prisoners in Israeli custody would implode the situation.

A firefight breaks out between Palestinians, IDF in Nablus, [THE JERUSALEM POST](#), August 30, 2022.

Earlier in the morning, five Israelis entered Joseph's Tomb without notifying the IDF and were shot at by Palestinians.

Israel Sentences World Vision Ex-Gaza Chief to 12 Years over Terror Charges, [ARAB NEWS](#), August 30, 2022.

An Israeli court on Tuesday sentenced a Gaza aid worker to 12 years in prison after he was found guilty of several terrorism charges in a high-profile case in which independent audits and investigations found no evidence of wrongdoing.

PCHR: “Child Dies After Israeli Authorities Deny His Travel for Treatment Abroad”, [IMEMC News](#), August 29, 2022.

The Palestinian Center for Human Rights (PCHR) condemns the Israeli occupation Forces (IOF) for continuous obstacles to the travel of Gaza Strip's patients, denying them access to the

Palestinian hospitals in the West Bank, including occupied Jerusalem, and Israeli hospitals for receiving or resuming their medical treatment.

For the First Time Ever, Israeli Settlers Raid Al-Aqsa Mosque via Lions Gate, [MIDDLE EAST MONITOR](#), August 29, 2022.

Extremist Israeli Jewish settlers raided the Al-Aqsa Mosque compound on Sunday via Lions Gate. Sources from Jerusalem noted it was the first time since the Israeli occupation of East Jerusalem began in 1967.

Deputy Prime Minister Discusses Ongoing Stagnation of the Political Process with EU Representative, [Wafa News Agency](#), August 29, 2022.

Deputy Prime Minister and Head of the PLO's International Relations Department, Ziad Abu Amr, met today at his office in Ramallah with the European Union Representative to Palestine, Sven Kuehn von Burgsdorff, where they discussed the ongoing stagnation of the political process between the Palestinian and Israeli sides and the absence of a political horizon for the two-state solution.

Palestinian Rights Group Says Four Patients from Gaza Died Due to Israel Travel Ban, [MIDDLE EAST MONITOR](#), August 29, 2022.

Four sick Palestinians, including three children, have died in the besieged Gaza Strip during the month of August after Israel prevented them from leaving the enclave to receive treatment, a Palestinian human rights organization said.

After Six Months of Hunger Strike, Administrative Detainee Awawda Says He Is Left with Bone and Skin Only, [Wafa News Agency](#), August 29, 2022.

After around six months of hunger strike, a Palestinian administrative detainee in Israel, Khalil Awawda, 40, says he is left with nothing except bone and skin.

Firefight Breaks Out Near Jenin as IDF Arrests Islamic Jihad Operative, [THE JERUSALEM POST](#), August 29, 2022.

The IDF surrounded a home in Jenin and called to a man inside to surrender.

Foreign Ministry Urges Countries to Withdraw Licenses of Organizations Backing Israeli Settlement, [Wafa News Agency](#), August 28, 2022.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Expatriates called today on the world's countries to withdraw the licenses of organizations and associations that support Israeli settlements.

Ministry of Jerusalem Affairs Gravely Concerned Over Settlers' Storming of Al-Aqsa Mosque through Lions Gate, [Wafa News Agency](#), August 28, 2022.

The Ministry of Jerusalem Affairs today stressed that it views with grave concern allowing the Israeli settlers - for the first time since 1967 - to break into the al-Aqsa mosque compound through the Lions Gate, which is solely used by Muslims.

UNRWA Says It Faces Existential Threat As UN Prepares To Renew Mandate, [THE JERUSALEM POST](#), August 27, 2022.

The organization created by the UN in 1949 has a mandate that is approved by the General Assembly every three years, with the last such vote taking place in 2019.

Hamas Condemns Turkey-Israel Normalization, [AL-MONITOR](#), August 27, 2022.

Hamas has condemned Turkish-Israeli normalization, which raises questions on its impact on the good Turkey-Hamas relations and the residency of some of its leaders in its territory.

Foreign Ministry to Launch Diplomatic Steps to Support Demands by Palestinian Freedom Fighters in Israeli Jails, [Wafa News Agency](#), August 27, 2022.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Expatriates said today it is embarking on legal and diplomatic steps around the globe at the instructions of President Mahmoud Abbas in support of the Palestinian freedom fighters incarcerated in Israeli jails and their just demands.

Palestine/Israel

Two Palestinians killed in West Bank Clashes, [ARAB News](#), September 1, 2022.

RAMALLAH, Palestinian Territories: Two Palestinians were killed early Thursday in separate clashes with the Israeli army in the occupied West Bank, the Palestinian health ministry said.

Israeli Forces Arrest Two Suspects in West Bank Shooting Attack, [HAARETZ](#), August 30, 2022.

The Israeli army says five Jewish worshippers were on an uncoordinated visit to Joseph's Tomb in Nablus, two of them were moderately wounded.

Israel Sentences Gaza Aid Worker to 12 Years Imprisonment, [Wafa News Agency](#), August 30, 2022.

An Israeli occupation court today sentenced a charity Gaza aid worker to 12 years imprisonment, according to the Prisoners' Affairs Commission.

World Vision Defendant El-Halabi Sentenced to 12 Years, [THE JERUSALEM POST](#), August 30, 2022.

el-Halabi was convicted of most terror financing charges but was acquitted of assisting the enemy because as a Gaza resident, he is not Israeli.

Palestinian Toll Mounts as Israel Steps Up West Bank Raids, [ARAB NEWS](#), August 29, 2022.

TUBAS, West Bank: At least 85 Palestinians have been killed in the West Bank this year as Israeli forces have carried out nightly raids in cities, towns, and villages, making it the deadliest in the occupied territory since 2016.

Eleven People Injured, Some Critical, In an Israeli Army Raid of Qabatya Town, [Wafa News Agency](#), August 29, 2022.

Eleven Palestinians were injured this morning, some said to be critical, from Israeli army gunfire during a raid of the northern West Bank town of Qabatya, according to medical and Palestinian security sources.

Occupation Forces Arrest a Teacher, Confiscate His Vehicle in Masafer Yatta, [Wafa News Agency](#), August 28, 2022.

Israeli occupation forces arrested a teacher today and confiscated his vehicle in Masafer Yatta area, to the south of Hebron in the south of the occupied West Bank, according to local sources.

Khalil Awawdeh, the Palestinian on A Hunger Strike Since March, [ALJAZEERA](#), August 26, 2022.

Palestinian prisoner Khalil Awawdeh is on a hunger strike demanding Israel end his continued detention without charge.

Regional

Jordan Calls on Israel to Immediately Stop Violations Against Al-Aqsa Mosque, [MIDDLE EAST MONITOR](#), August 29, 2022.

Jordan called Sunday on Israel to immediately stop settlers' violations against the Al-Aqsa Mosque in occupied East Jerusalem.

Bahrain Seeks to Boost Space Collaboration with Israel, [ARAB NEWS](#), August 29, 2022.

Bahraini Ambassador to Israel, Khalid Yousif Al-Jalahma, discussed ways to bolster space cooperation with Israel during a meeting with the CEO of Bahrain's National Space Science Agency (NSSA) Mohammed Ibrahim Al-Asiri, state news agency (BNA) reported.

Jordan's Foreign Ministry Deplores Settlers Continued Storming of Al-Aqsa Mosque, [Wafa News Agency](#), August 28, 2022.

Jordan's Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Expatriates condemned today the continued storming of Jerusalem's Al-Aqsa Mosque / Al-Haram Al-Sharif by Jewish extremists, the latest was allowing them to violate its sanctity and carry out provocative practices under Israeli police's protection, reported the official Jordanian news agency, Petra.

Ramon Airport Sparks Crisis between Jordan, Palestinians, [The Jerusalem Post](#), August 26, 2022.

Some Jordanians said they are convinced that the PA, which has publicly expressed opposition to the opening of the airport to Palestinian travelers, has struck a secret deal with Israel.

International

Warren Constituents Press Senator Over Support for Israel Military Aid, [Mondoweiss](#), August 31, 2022.

At a town hall in Natick, Massachusetts this week Senator Elizabeth Warren (D-MA) told a group of supporters that she supported conditioning aid to Israel, but couldn't remember whether she voted in favor of the United States's \$38 billion military aid deal with the country.

EU Says Trial of Palestinian Aid Worker in Israel Was Incompatible with International Fair Trial Standards, [Wafa News Agency](#), August 31, 2022.

The European Union office in Jerusalem said after attending the trial of Palestinian aid worker Mohammad Halabi in an Israeli court that the judicial process was incompatible with international fair trial standards.

EU Shocked by Pictures of Nothing More Than Skin and Bones of Palestinian Hunger Striker Awawda, [Wafa News Agency](#), August 29, 2022.

The European Union said it was shocked at pictures of nothing more than skin and bones of Palestinian administrative detainee in Israel, Khalil Awawda, after 169 days of hunger strike demanding to be set free.

Facing Israel's Arms Trade in British Court, [Mondoweiss](#), August 26, 2022.

Eight members of the direct-action organization Palestine Action are facing trial on October 10th for charges that could lead to 38 years in prison. Co-Founders Huda Ammori and Richard Barnard write that this latest wave of repression is a sign their activism is working.

Palestinian Refugees and UNRWA

Minister of Foreign Affairs of Norway Visits Baqa'a Camp in Jordan, UNRWA, August 30, 2022.

Khalil Awawdeh is still with us, for now. Officially, at least, he is still among the living. Skeletal, the living dead, unable to leave his bed/prison in Shamir Medical Center. He's melting away from day to day, hour to hour, with the enormous strength of a man who has decided to starve to death unless he is given his freedom.

UNRWA Commissioner-General Philippe Lazzarini Statement to the UN Security Council, UNRWA, August 25, 2022.

"Distinguished Members of the Security Council, allow me first to express my sincere appreciation for the opportunity offered by the Presidency to address the Security Council. Since I last briefed this Council in May last year, the situation of Palestine refugees has further deteriorated".

The Power Of Persistence: On World Refugee Day, A Palestine Refugee From Jordan Proves That Obstacles Can be Overcome, UNRWA, August 24, 2022.

"I believe in the power of persistence to overcome obstacles," says young Palestine refugee student Wajeeh Mohammad Ghabayen. An 11-year-old, he is a fifth-grade student at the UNRWA Awajan Preparatory Boys' School in Jordan. "I trained all the time to get ready to win in this competition. I was stressed and afraid that I wasn't going to make it, but I won! I'm happy and proud of myself," Wajeeh says.

Analysis & Opinions

Palestinians Recognize the Suffering of the Holocaust (Ramzy Baroud), ARAB NEWS, August 31, 2022.

A week after Israel ended its deadly April 2002 onslaught on the besieged Palestinian refugee camp at Jenin in the northern West Bank, the Haaretz newspaper published an editorial titled, "There was no massacre in Jenin."

Hunger Striker Khalil Awawdeh Weighs 84 Pounds (Jonathan Pollak), HAARETZ, August 30, 2022.

How many Israelis have seen the photos of the torture being suffered by Khalil's disintegrating body? How many were shocked to the depths of their souls? How many cared at all?

Palestinian Prisoners Demand to be Treated with Dignity (Daoud Kuttab), ARAB NEWS, August 29, 2022.

The images of Khalil Awawdeh released last week were jarring. After 178 days of abstaining from food, the body of this protesting Palestinian prisoner was nothing more than bones and

skin. On seeing those photos, no one with any humanity in them could fail to empathize with a prisoner protesting a system that detains people without charge or trial.

Arab Voters Have Lost Hope Ahead of Israel's Elections (Raviv Drucker), [HAARETZ](#), August 29, 2022.

When Yair Lapid was still foreign minister, United Arab List leader Mansour Abbas took the Yesh Atid leader on a visit to a Bedouin community in the south. The situation here is terrible, Lapid told Abbas during that visit, and the fact that an unrecognized village in today's Israel is still not connected to the power grid and to a regulated water supply is awful. Yes, replied Abbas, but this is a recognized village.

How Israelis are Taught to Erase the Palestinians (Eitan Nechin), [HAARETZ](#), August 28, 2022.

When Israel's education ministry ordered the removal of maps showing the 1967 borders from classrooms, it was the just the most recent blatant, dangerous, absurd attempt to erase the occupation – and the Palestinians

I Tracked Down the House Israel Stole From My Grandfather (Jalal Abukhater), [ALJAZEERA](#), August 28, 2022.

It feels personal when I hear that the US embassy in Jerusalem will be built on land stolen from Palestinians.

Holocaust Inversion: Abbas' Longtime Weapon of Choice - Opinion (Karma Feinstein Cohen), [THE JERUSALEM POST](#), August 27, 2022.

Palestinian Holocaust Inversion will unfortunately not die any time soon, despite the international condemnations. It will just return to the more mundane daily incitement.

Egypt Shrugs Off Israel Tensions, but Jerusalem Should Tread Lightly (Zvi Bare'I), [HAARETZ](#), August 24, 2022.

Efforts to find some mention of the tensions with Israel in Egyptian media were for naught. Other Arab media didn't have any Egyptian comments, official or unofficial, either; they had to make do with the reports from Israel and quotes from Defense Minister Benny Gantz.

Publications and Statements

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