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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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UNESCO’s Executive Board, during its 215th session, unanimously adopted a decision on the Old City of Jerusalem and its walls.

President Abbas is Conducting Intensive Contacts to Stop Israeli Escalation - Says Presidential Spokesman, WAFA News Agency, October 12, 2022.
Presidential spokesman Nabil Abu Rudeineh said that President Mahmoud Abbas is conducting intensive contacts with the relevant parties to stop the Israeli escalation against the Palestinian people.

Jerusalem Figures Deeply Concern About Deteriorating Situation in Shufat Camp After Four Days of Tight Siege, WAFA News Agency, October 12, 2022.
Jerusalem figures today expressed deep concern about the deteriorating situation in Shufat refugee camp and nearby Anata town, northeast of Jerusalem, after four days of tight Israeli army siege.

The attack came amidst ongoing Israeli aggression in the occupied West Bank. On Monday, a 12-year-old Palestinian died of wounds caused by Israeli forces on Saturday, while the Israeli army continues to siege the Shuufat refugee camp.

In a letter, the State of Palestine called on the United Nations Secretary-General and Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict Secretary-General to provide special protection for Palestinian children, the official Palestinian news agency WAFA reported.

PM Shtayyeh Describes Israel's Actions in The Occupied Territories as Organized State Terrorism, WAFA News Agency, October 10, 2022.
Prime Minister Mohammad Shtayyeh today described Israel's actions in the occupied Palestinian territories as organized state terrorism.
Jerusalem Church Leaders Say Moving the UK Embassy to Jerusalem Is a Further Impediment to Peace, **WAFA News Agency**, October 10, 2022.

Leaders of Jerusalem churches have warned in a statement today that moving the British embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem is a further impediment to advancing the already moribund peace process.

Four Youth Killed In The Last 24 Hours Amidst Ongoing Israeli Wave Of Extra-Judicial Assassinations, **Mondoweiss**, October 9, 2022.

Israel has revived its decades-old policy of "liquidation" in an attempt to quell the rising tide of armed Palestinian resistance, adopting extra-judicial assassination.

Palestinians Hit Hard by Israel’s ‘Collective Punishment’ Over Jerusalem Violence, **ARAB NEWS**, October 9, 2022.

Palestinian residents of the Shuafat refugee camp and the nearby town of Anata on the outskirts of Jerusalem are facing growing hardship after Israeli military authorities imposed a blockade on the area.

Israeli Media Attack Nobel Prize Winner for Backing Boycott of ‘Apartheid’ Israel, **THE PALESTINE CHRONICLE**, October 9, 2022.

Israeli media attacked French author Annie Ernaux, who won the 2022 Nobel Prize in Literature, for showing solidarity with the Palestinian cause.

Israeli Soldier Killed in East Jerusalem Checkpoint Shooting, **THE ARAB NEWS**, October 8, 2022.

The soldier was killed when armed individuals opened fire at an Israeli military checkpoint in occupied East Jerusalem, the Israeli army said.

Presidency: Israel is Launching an All-Out War on Our People, **WAFA News Agency**, October 8, 2022.

Nabil Abu Rudeineh, the spokesman for President Mahmoud Abbas, said today that our Palestinian people are facing an all-out Israeli war that did not stop for a single moment, the latest episode of which was the killing of four Palestinian teenagers by Israeli occupation forces during the past 24 hours in Qalqilya, Ramallah, and Jenin.


The Palestinian Ministry of Information on Thursday called for international protection of Palestinian journalists, the official news agency WAFA reported.
The Israeli nongovernmental organization B’Tselem has asked Karim Khan, the prosecutor at the International Criminal Court in The Hague, to act to prevent the expulsion of about a thousand residents of Masafer Yatta from their homes after Israel declared the area a live-fire training zone.

**Palestine/Israel**

A Palestinian teenager was killed Wednesday afternoon after being shot by Israeli occupation forces in the Arroub refugee camp, near Hebron (Al-Khalil), the official Palestinian news agency WAFA reported.

**Israeli Forces Kill Palestinian in West Bank: Ministry**, *ALJAZEERA*, October 12, 2022.
Usama Adawai, 18, was hit by live fire to the stomach in Al-Aroub refugee camp, health ministry says.

**Jewish Settlers' Marches Needlessly Toss a Match into West Bank Powder Keg**, *HAARETZ*, October 12, 2022.
An Israeli soldier was killed while securing a settlers' march north of Nablus. Despite this, the defense establishment is reluctant to confront settler leadership about halting the marches.

The Israeli siege on the Shufat refugee camp and the nearby town of Anata, near Jerusalem, continued on Tuesday for the fourth consecutive day, the official Palestinian news agency WAFA reported.

An armed Jewish settler opened fire at Palestinians on Sunday in the town of Silwan, near occupied East Jerusalem, the official Palestinian news agency WAFA reported.

**Israel Under Fire For ‘Shoot-To-Kill’ Policy as Palestinian Family Mourns Lost Son**, *ARAB NEWS*, October 8, 2022.
The parents of a 19-year-old Palestinian man believed to have been shot dead by Israeli soldiers say they have begun receiving mourners, despite having yet to receive official confirmation of their son’s death.

Two Palestinian teenagers were killed and at least 11 others injured Saturday morning by Israeli occupation forces in an attack on the Jenin refugee camp, the official Palestinian news agency WAFA reported.

Two Young Palestinian Men Reportedly Killed in Israeli Army Raid in Jenin, HAARETZ, October 8, 2022.
Eleven others are wounded, three seriously, as Israeli forces carry out an arrest operation in the West Bank city of Jenin, the Palestinian Health Ministry says.

Hardcore Israeli settlers today attacked the village of Farsiya, in the Jordan Valley region in northeast of the West Bank, and blocked several roads in the area, according to local sources.

In Jenin and Nablus, Resistance and Despair Go Hand in Hand, +972 MAGAZINE, October 5, 2022.
Palestinian youths are taking up arms amid unrelenting Israeli incursions into refugee camps, with the pervasiveness of death ensuring more will follow.

Regional
The Foreign Ministry on Tuesday denounced the violations perpetrated by Israeli extremists in the raids of Al Aqsa Mosque/Al Haram Al Sharif under the protection of Israeli forces that allow them perform these provocative practices which violate the sanctity of the mosque and Islamic cemeteries.

International
Following Boycott Pressure, Uruguayan National Football Team Cancels Trip to Israel, THE PALESTINE CHRONICLE, October 12, 2022.
Pro-Palestine activists in Uruguay celebrated a major victory on Wednesday as their country’s football team officially announced that they were not going to play in Israel as was previously scheduled.
Cardinal Nichols’ letter comes days after Truss said she is reviewing whether or not to keep the embassy in Israel.

Once again, the U.S. State Department takes Israel at its word when it explains and justifies the death of a Palestinian child during an Israeli raid in occupied territories.

Palestinian Refugees and UNRWA
In Gaza, UNRWA Makes Mental Health And Well-Being A Global Priority For Its Teaching Staff, UNRWA, October 11, 2022.
“We all experience personal challenges or issues in our lives which we deal with by talking to friends or family or handling them by ourselves. However, sometimes, when issues are too much for us to manage on our own, we need to seek support and consultations from a professional such as a counsellor or a supervisor.”

Commissioner-General Of The United Nations Relief And Works Agency For Palestine Refugees In The Near East (UNRWA) Visits Japan, UNRWA, October 8, 2022.
The Commissioner-General of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA), Mr. Philippe Lazzarini, concluded an official visit to Tokyo from 5 - 7 October, during which he met with Japan’s Minister of Foreign Affairs H.E. Yoshimasa Hayashi, numerous senior Japanese and UN officials, and Arab ambassadors based in Japan. The Commissioner-General highlighted the critical situation of Palestine refugees and the Agency’s financial crisis, and discussed ways to mobilize sustainable support.

The Commissioner-General of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNRWA), Philippe Lazzarini, has highlighted the critical situation of the Palestinian refugees during an official visit to Japan.

Today, Mr. Niels Annen, Parliamentary State Secretary of the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), and Mr. Ben Majekodunmi, Chief of Staff of the United
Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA), inaugurated the UNRWA Talbiyeh Elementary and Preparatory Boys’ Schools in the Talbiyeh Palestine refugee camp in Jordan.

Analysis & Opinions

Death from the Skies: Israel's New Policy of Armed Drones in The West Bank (Qassam Muaddi), THE ARAB NEWS, October 12, 2022.
Analysis: Israel has reportedly approved the use of armed drones in targeted assassinations in the occupied West Bank. For Palestinians, this raises urgent humanitarian and legal concerns, especially amid an escalation in Israeli raids.

Rejecting NATO’s Peace Prize: Palestinian NGOs are True Nobel Laureates, (Ilan Pappe), THE PALESTINE CHRONICLE, October 11, 2022.
One person and two organizations received the Nobel Peace Prize this year. I respect all of them. Like so many others, I cannot feel but admiration for the brave Ales Bialiatski, struggling against human rights violations by the Belarus government, and similarly, I salute Memorial’s work for human rights in Russia. I am somewhat doubtful about the Center for Civil Liberties in Ukraine, founded in 2007 to promote civil rights in a society where antisemitism, homophobia, Russophobia, and Roma-phobia were rampant. It was nominated, so we are told, for recording the present crimes in Ukraine. Well, hopefully, the rights of those who were discriminated against before the war in Ukraine would be respected after the war.’

Fathi Khazem’s stoicism and defiance of colonial rule has turned him into the symbol of resistance that the Palestinian people need.

Hidden Motives: Why Lapid is Not Serious about a Palestinian State (Ramzy Baroud), THE PALESTINE CHRONICLE, October 5, 2022.
Israeli Prime Minister Yair Lapid threw a wrench into the works when he declared from the United Nations General Assembly podium: “An agreement with the Palestinians, based on two states for two peoples, is the right thing for Israel’s security, for Israel’s economy and for the future of our children.”

A New Generation Of Palestinians is Emerging to Resist Israel (Sally Ibrahim), THE ARAB NEWS, October 6, 2022.
In-depth: Amid a weakened, unpopular Palestinian Authority and Israel’s eight-month campaign of near-daily deadly raids, a new generation of Palestinians is taking up arms to fight Israel, alone.
Publications and Statements
Palestine’s Legal Scene | Issue. 144 | 2- 8 Oct 2022, Law for Palestine, October 9, 2022.