

A Press Release for the Arab Networks of the Euro-Mediterranean Anna Lindh Foundation for the Dialogue Between Cultures An Appeal to Stop the War Against Civilians in Gaza

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In the wake of the Israeli Occupation brutal War on Gaza Strip; which has led to these scary numbers *:

- The number of Palestinians killed has reached 1,977, including 1,417 civilians, of whom 460 are children and 239 are women.
- The serious injury of 10,193 Palestinians, including 3,084 children, 1,970 women and 368 elderly.
- The destruction of over 17000 houses; with an estimated 100,000 people whose homes were destroyed or damaged beyond repair in addition to at least 141 schools.
- The displacement of over 400'000 civilians.
- The massacre of complete 45 families.
- The destruction of a number of our colleague Palestinian NGOs offices from the ALF network members.
 - * (UNOCHA statistics)

WE, the Signatory Heads of the Arab Networks for the Euro-Mediterranean Anna Lindh Foundation for the Dialogue Between Cultures:

- 1. Condemn with all expressions of discontent the disproportionate aggression and war crimes committed by the Israeli army against the Palestinian people and the unarmed innocents in Gaza Strip;
- 2. Declare our solidarity and support to the people of Gaza and the Palestinian people fighting to end the Israeli occupation, the ONLY occupation in the world;
- 3. Demand the United Nations to send an independent international fact-finding mission to investigate the war crimes committed, along with determine responsibilities and referring the responsible parties to the international justice;
- 4. Demand the United Nations to send immediate international troops to provide protection to the innocent, unarmed Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian territory in 1967, in the West Bank including the Occupied East Jerusalem and Gaza Strip to guarantee the application of international protection laws;



- 5. Demand the Arab League; European Union; United Nations and all international institutions and entities; human rights institutions; and all supporters of justice and freedom in the world to put pressures on the Israeli Occupation Government using all possible peaceful methods for immediate end of siege of the Gaza Strip as it is part of the one occupied territory;
- 6. Consider that the only radical solution for the Middle East conflict and to end the Arab-Israeli conflict is to end the Israeli occupation to all the occupied Arab territory since 1967, and the establishment of an independent Palestinian state so everyone will live in security, peace, and stability.

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