

Fraternal Greetings

To those who continue working tirelessly towards finding a peaceful solution to the crisis in Palestine;

To those who have recently severed diplomatic ties and filed complaints against Israel with the International Criminal Court;

To those who never acknowledged the legitimacy of the State of Israel.

Never before in history have the perpetrators of genocide spoken so openly of their crimes, completely confident in their impunity. Neither has there been such extensive documentation of their genocidal crimes by human rights organizations, diverse international bodies, aid agencies and the United Nations itself.

The urgency of the present situation compels me to write to you, inviting you to consider invoking the 1948 [Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide](#) as an urgent measure to stop the genocide of the Palestinian people by Israel's government and armed forces. Using this vital instrument of international law may well avoid impediments to justice for Palestine's people and open the way for the establishment of a lasting solution.

I therefore ask that you initiate legal proceedings under this Convention against Israel in the International Court of Justice, which I understand will provide an effective Order from the Court against Israel to cease and desist from committing all acts of genocide against the Palestinian people.

This order would be transmitted to the United Nations Security Council for enforcement. If obstructed in the UN Security Council, then the UN General Assembly Uniting for Peace Resolution of 1950 can be invoked, empowering the UN General Assembly to enforce the order. The 1950 Uniting for Peace Resolution would enable the United Nations General Assembly both to recommend enforcement measures to every state in the world and also to accept Palestine as a fully-fledged UN member state.

As an additional measure I invite you also to consider employing the 1976 [International Convention on the Suppression and Punishment of the Crime of Apartheid](#). Article IV of this convention urges its State parties to adopt any legislative or other measures necessary to suppress the crime of apartheid and similar segregationist policies or their manifestations and to punish persons responsible for that crime, whether or not such persons reside in the territory of the State in which the acts are committed, are nationals of that State or of some other State or are stateless persons. Article VIII of the Apartheid Convention explains that any State Party to it may call upon any competent organ of the United Nations to take such action under the UN Charter of the United Nations considered appropriate for the prevention and suppression of the crime of apartheid.

As I observe the ruthless determination of certain member states to obstruct efforts to bring about peace, as casualties of Palestinian civilians continue to rise with no end in sight and as this threatens a wider war that will engulf not only the region, but the entire world, I hold out hope that the implementation of these instruments of law will strengthen efforts to stop the genocide, end Israeli apartheid and ensure a future of peace, prosperity and self-determination for the Palestinian people.

Additionally, undertaking this action would contribute to ending the impunity of the “rules based order” state actors and the restoration of the “rule of law” under the United Nations Charter.

Respectfully,

Your Signature