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Hi everyone,

Welcome to the last PSNA newsletter of 2021.

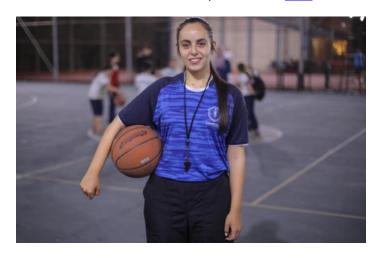
It's been a tough year for all of us with the pandemic but that much more difficult for Palestinians living in historic Palestine. And yet despite it all we have been continually amazed at the courage, fortitude, resilience and sheer bravery of the Palestinian people in the face of brutality and oppression from Israel's racist, apartheid regime.

Palestinians – we salute you!

Something you can do now with just a couple of clicks...

Share these two marvellous sports stories on your social media pages

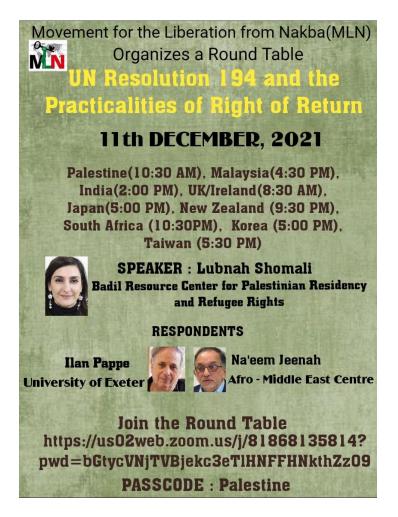
1. First woman basketball referee in the Gaza strip. The link is here



2. Palestinians launch first national amputee football team in Gaza. The link is here



UN Resolution 194 and the Practicalities of the Right of Return for Palestinian refugees - a very important seminar from the Movement for the Liberation from Nakba (MLN)



The link is here

Passcode: Palestine

UN Resolution 194 was passed on December 11th 1948. The resolution adopted stipulated that the refugees wishing to return to their homes and live at peace with their neighbours should be permitted to do so at the earliest practicable date, and that compensation should be paid for the property of those choosing not to return and for loss of or damage to property which, under principles of international law or in equity by the Governments or authorities responsible. It calls on the Conciliation Commission to facilitate the repatriation, resettlement and economic and social rehabilitation of the refugees and the payment of compensation.

Our speakers are deeply engaged in studying and acting on the questions surrounding the issue. We hope you will join us and also inform your circle of friends.

Local action from around Aotearoa on UN day of Solidarity with the Palestinian people...

Whanganui: Local supporters had a great stall which informed and challenged local people. Only one negative comment all day from someone who confused the Israel of the Bible with the modern political state of Israel.



Napier: The local crew got out and visible in the city centre where the Palestinian solidarity message is always so well received.





Support Palestinian prisoners on hunger strike



The link to the campaign is **here**

Israel's outrageous attack on Palestinian human rights organisations

We are still waiting for the Aotearoa New Zealand government to speak out and condemn the apartheid regime's designation of six Palestinian human rights organisations as terrorist groups. You can see our earlier reporting on this in previous newsletters here.

We should expect nothing less of our Foreign Minister Nanaia Mahuta than this from the Norwegian Minister of Foreign Affairs:



Farewell Jimmy O'Dea

One of Aotearoa's staunchest supporters of Palestinian human rights for over 70 years, Jimmy O'Dea, died in Auckland last week.



PSNA National Chair John Minto wrote a tribute to Jimmy's life for Stuff newspapers. The link is here.

Two important stories from the Web

- 1. Authors back Sally Rooney's boycott of an Israeli publisher here
- 2. Israel's mass surveillance of Palestinians is more than an obsession here

Are you able to donate a cup of coffee a month to the campaign?

We will need some serious money to make our campaign as effective as possible. For example, we will need somewhere in the vicinity of \$25,000 to bring speakers to New Zealand over the next year and organise large public meetings to help spread the message.

You can help. Are you able to donate a cup of coffee a month to the campaign? In other words, can you afford to make an automatic payment of \$5 per month to support the Palestinian struggle? (If you can afford more that would be great!)

Our account details are:

Account name: Palestine Solidarity Network Account number: 38-9015-0849542-00

Or Pay Pal account: admin@palestinesolidaritynz.net

We are happy to provide a receipt upon request (however, we are not a registered charity so this is not tax-deductible)

Merchandise for sale

We have Merchandise you can buy including T-shirts from our website.



Go here - https://www.psna.nz/shop

In Occupied Palestine daily newsletter – an invitation to subscribe from Leslie Bravery

Because of mainstream news media complicity, daily headlines and commentary only occasionally ever mention the relentless Israeli violence in Palestine, not even the frequent air strikes!

However, daily news and statistics regarding the violence Palestinians are forced to live under are regularly reported on in the "In Occupied Palestine daily newsletter", sourced and compiled for easy reading and correlation chiefly from the Palestinian Monitoring Group's daily situation reports.

The "In Occupied Palestine" daily newsletter continues to be circulated, by email, worldwide to subscribers only, as it has been over the last two decades.

Contact: Palestine Human Rights Campaign

(Please note we have changed the link).

More ways you can get involved

- Forward this Newsletter If you know people who may be interested in this movement, please forward this Newsletter to them.
- Join in local activities in your area monthly Rallies In Auckland at 2.00 pm on the first Saturday of every month. Please consider doing the same in your community. Contact Secretary@PSNA.nz if you would like to know where and how to get Flags and Banners
- Help set up a Students for Justice in Palestine groups on your campus
- Tell Your MP your opinions on Divestment and Sanctions of Israel.
- Write Letters to Newspapers Call Talkback Radio
- Keep in touch with the campaign on social media
 - ❖ Palestine Solidarity Network Aotearoa (PSNA) website: www.PSNA.nz
 - PSNA Facebook page: www.facebook.com/groups/671376706283605/
 - PSNA email: Secretary@PSNA.nz
- The Palestine Human Rights Campaign produces the *In Occupied Palestine* newsletter. It is a regular daily newsletter on the daily situation in Palestine, compiled by Leslie Bravery and emailed to subscribers. If you would also like to become a subscriber, please contact Leslie at "sumud1 @ outlook. com" (remove the spaces to use as an email address) for further information.
- Keep Updated on our Facebook pages and websites (listed below)

PSNA Groups

National Committee

Website	www.PSNA.nz	
Chair – John Minto	Chair@PSNA.nz	
Secretary – Neil Scott	Secretary@PSNA.nz	

Regional Groups

Bay of Islands	PSNA Bay of Islands	email
Whangarei	PSNA Whangarei	Facebook
Auckland	PSNA Auckland – Tamaki Makaurau	Website
Hamilton	Palestine Human Rights Campaign Waikato	Facebook
Tauranga	Tauranga Moana 4 Palestine	Facebook
Napier/Hastings	Aotearoa Standing with Palestine	Facebook
Palmerston North	PSNA Palmerston North	email
New Plymouth	PSNA New Plymouth	email
Whanganui	Whanganui@PSNA.nz	email
Wellington	PSNA Wellington	email
Nelson	Te Tau Ihu (Nelson) Palestine	Facebook
Christchurch	PSNA Christchurch	Facebook
Dunedin	<u>Dunedin for Justice in Palestine</u>	Facebook
Invercargill	PSNA Invercargill	email

Other groups supporting Palestinian Rights

- Palestinian Community of New Zealand
- Palestinian Youth Aotearoa
- <u>Preserved Identity (Palestinian products)</u>
- Boycott Divestment and Sanctions NZ
- Kia Ora Gaza
- <u>Letters for Palestine</u>
- <u>Auckland Peace Action</u>
- Global Peace and Justice Auckland
- Auckland Uni– Students for Justice in Palestine
- Massey Uni- Students for Justice in Palestine
- <u>Tamaki Loves Palestine</u>
- <u>Justice for Palestine</u>
- Palestine Human Rights Campaign