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Something you can do now with just a few clicks...

Sign this Petition:

[Call on the Aotearoa New Zealand government to condemn Israeli aggression against peaceful Palestinian worshippers and protestors in Al Aqsa Mosque](#)

The Aotearoa New Zealand government issues meaningless drivel about Israel's military occupation of Palestine. Here is their latest waste of words.



Palestinians live under a brutal Israeli military occupation. We would never call on Ukrainians to tone down their opposition to Russia's occupation of Ukraine so why do we call on Palestinians to go easy on the Israeli racist, apartheid regime which occupies Palestine?

Sonny Bill Williams has more integrity than MFAT – here is his tweet with a serious question as to why countries like Aotearoa New Zealand look the other way while Palestinians are brutalised.



Let's tell Foreign Affairs to grow some integrity!

[Sign this petition calling on the government to condemn Israeli aggression against Palestinians.](#)

NAKBA Day – Sunday 15 May – National Day to Rally for Palestine



May 15th marks Nakba Day (“catastrophe” in Arabic) which remembers the ethnic cleansing of up to a million Palestinians from their land and homes by Israeli militias in 1948.

Palestinians continue their struggle for human rights and self-determination 74 years later in 2022 despite on-going theft of their land, bulldozing of their homes and widespread suffering under Israeli military occupation.

To mark this important day Palestine solidarity supporters will be out in public around the country – we will bring full details of events in the next newsletter but those organized so far include:

Auckland: Aotea Square at 2pm. Facebook event page [here](#)

New Plymouth: Puke Ariki Landing 2pm to 3pm. Facebook event page [here](#)

Christchurch: Bridge of Remembrance 12 noon, Facebook event page [here](#)

Others will be added in the next week. See PSNA events [here](#). Expect these as well as the above:

- Bay of Islands
- Hamilton
- Napier
- Palmerston North
- Whanganui
- Wellington
- Nelson
- Dunedin

Something else you can do right now with just a few clicks...

1. Mark Nakba Day (Sunday 15 May) in your diary and join the public rally action in your closest centre (more details of events will be in the next newsletter)
2. Share the poster above on social media and email and then share your local event when it is finalised...

Get ready for World Kufiya Day – 11 May

Don't miss out this year – get your Kufiya from [Preserved Identity at this link](#) – run by Palestinian New Zealanders based in Auckland – and be ready for World Kufiya Day on Wednesday 11 May.



This photo from World Kufiya Day last year with New Zealand parliamentarians showing solidarity with Palestine by wearing a kufiya

AXA global day of action – 25 April

Demand French insurer AXA divest from companies involved in Israeli war crimes and climate destruction here Actions you can take are at this link [here](#)



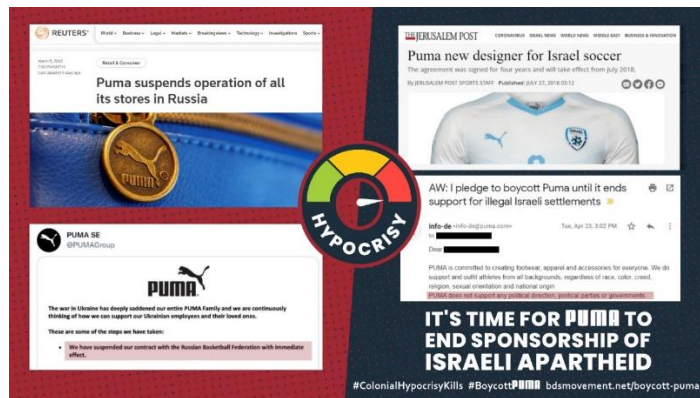
Interesting poll from the Australian election

The results are in - and you won't be surprised. A poll to be released first thing tomorrow (last week) shows the majority of Australians think:

- Israel should immediately end its occupation of Palestine and siege of Gaza
- Palestine should be recognised as a State
- Israel's attacks on Gaza in May last year were unjustified
- Alleged war crimes in Palestine should be investigated by the International Criminal Court
- Australia should take seriously human rights groups conclusions that Israel is committing apartheid

The Palestine solidarity movement in Australia are using the poll results to get supporters to email their local election candidates.

It's time for Puma to end sponsorship of Israeli apartheid



The facebook page with action you can take is [here](#) and more information on the campaign is [here](#)

Sign the petition for freedom of worship in Palestine



The petition is [here](#)

In conversation with Michael Lynk

Join us in conversation with
Michael Lynk
FORMER UN SPECIAL RAPPORTEUR
FOR HUMAN RIGHTS IN PALESTINE
SUNDAY MAY 29th @ 11.00AM NZT

"With the world's eyes wide open, Israel has imposed on Palestine an apartheid reality in a post-apartheid world."
- Michael Lynk



Hosted by
Alternative Jewish Voices
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Michael Lynk has just stood down as United National Special Rapporteur for the Occupied Palestinian Territories. He did a fantastic job in promoting support for Palestinian human rights and in his last report he called out Israel for its apartheid policies against Palestinians.

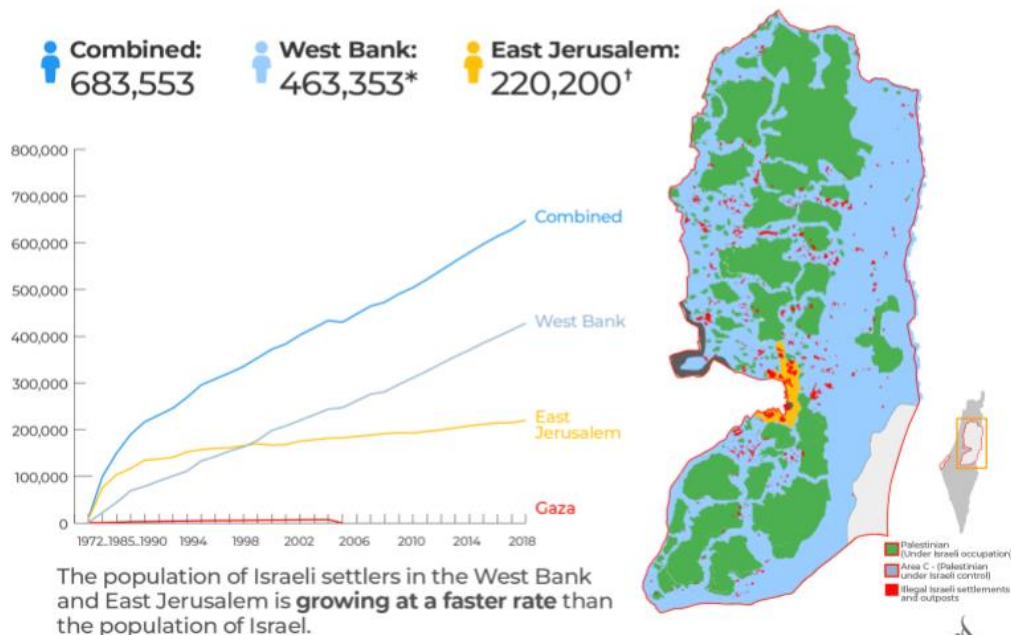
You can register for the event [here](#).

Picturing Israel's illegal settlements and why the so-called "two-state solution" is no longer possible

Illegal Israeli settlements

Settlements are Jewish communities built on Palestinian land.

There are between 600,000 - 750,000 Israeli settlers living in at least 250 settlements in the occupied West Bank and East Jerusalem. **Israeli settlements are illegal under international law.**



Sources: Foundation for Middle East Peace (1972 - 1999), PeaceNow (2000 - 2018).
* Israel Ministry of Interior (2020), † Jerusalem Institute for Policy Research (2020).

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Ramadan is here. Break your fast on ethically sourced Palestinian Medjoul Dates



Don't be tricked into buying Israeli dates from illegal Israeli settlements on Palestinian land. Ethically sourced dates can be purchased from Preserved Identity [here](#)

Google – don't punish workers for standing with Palestinians



[Sign the petition at this link.](#)

Important stories from the Web

- The signature of this GAZA artist can be found across the strip and around the world [here](#)
- Israel storms Al Aqsa mosque and beats Palestinian worshipers to make way for Jewish settlers [here](#)
- How UK government has bought into Israeli hasbara (propaganda) [here](#)
- Meet the New Zealand Jews against the occupation of Palestine [here](#)
- Wine-washing the Israeli occupation [here](#)
- Irish MP Richard Boyd Barrett calls out double standards – Ukraine and Palestine [here](#)
- Request for donations for Mondoweiss (excellent journalism on Palestine) [here](#)
- Ahmad Al Manasra – a Palestinian child who grew up behind Israeli bars [here](#)
- Harvard Law school apartheid report leaves Israel's defenders speechless [here](#)
- Why Zelensky's dream of Ukraine becoming "big Israel" makes Moscow nervous [here](#)
- Six Palestinians NGOs demand action to reverse Israel's terror designation [here](#)

Reminder: Dates for Palestine Solidarity activity in 2022

Israel apartheid week has been added to the dates for likely local and national Palestine solidarity activity this year.

28 Mar – 4 Apr	Israel Apartheid Week
30 Mar	Land Day Palestine
5 Apr	Palestinian Childs Day
9 Apr	Deir Yassin massacre - Irgun Terrorism - 107-120 Palestinian men, women and children massacred
17 Apr	Palestinian Prisoners Day
11 May	World Kufiya Day
15 May	Nakba Day – marking the mass ethnic cleansing of Palestinians from Palestine in 1948
5 Jun	Naksa Day - Start of 1967 War - Land Grab – Invasion of Jerusalem, West Bank, Gaza, Egypt and Syria - 5 June 1967 – 10 June 1967
20 Jun	Attack on Gaza - 6–21 May 2021 (2 weeks and 1 day)
16-18 Sep	40 th anniversary of the Sabra and Shatila massacres
28 Sep	Second Intifada - 28 Sept 2000 – 8 Feb 2005
2 Nov	Balfour Declaration
29 Nov	United Nations - International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People
8 Dec	"First Intifada - 8 Dec 1987 – 13 Sept 1993

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](mailto:Secretary@PSNA.nz)

(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	PSN Bay of Islands	email
Whangarei	PSN Whangarei	Facebook
Auckland	PSN 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	PSN Palmerston North	email
New Plymouth	PSN Taranaki	Facebook
Whanganui	Whanganui@PSNA.nz	email
Wellington	PSN Wellington	email
Nelson	Te Tau Ihu (Nelson) Palestine	Facebook
Christchurch	PSN Christchurch	Facebook
Dunedin	Dunedin for Justice in Palestine	Facebook
Invercargill	PSN Invercargill	email

Other groups supporting Palestinian Rights

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