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## **AFIC condemns attacks on worshippers at the Sacred Al Aqsa Mosque and calls for immediate action by the Australian government and the international community**

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“I am sick, tired and horrified by the unceasing attacks by the State of Israel and its illegal settlers against the innocent occupied people of Palestine. I am more shocked at the silence of the “first world” nations which consistently apply double standards. Had Palestine been part of Europe, they would have armed the Palestinian people against the brutal monstrous Israeli occupation. Instead, the hypocritical “first-world” powers are arming, aiding and abetting the brutal monstrous occupiers.” Said AFIC President Dr Rateb Jneid.

“Last night’s attack on worshippers inside the Sacred Al Aqsa Mosque is a crime against humanity and Israel must be brought to account. I call on the Australian government to move beyond lip-service and take immediate action to isolate Israel and lobby the UN to impose sanctions and pay reparations for Palestinian victims.” Said Dr Jneid.

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