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AFIC calls on World Leaders to Intercede in Gaza

AFIC condemns in the strongest terms the actions of Israel in its continued hostilities against Palestinians in Gaza in recent days. The Global community must also unequivocally condemn these actions terms.

These periodic attacks on the civilian Palestinian population have taken a horrific toll in recent years. This ongoing campaign against the Palestinians is not an isolated incident but is without a doubt a deliberate strategy of Israel to cause the maximum amount of hurt and harm to innocent civilians. These actions would not be accepted in any other circumstances and yet the world continues to turn a blind eye to the crimes of Israel and the plight of the Palestinians.

AFIC President, Dr Rateb Jneid, stated, “We will continue to speak out against the crimes of Israel and highlight the hypocrisy of the world when it comes to issues of human rights and democracy. Israel is an occupying force that continues to defy international laws, oppressing a whole population that it continues to further displace and launches unjustified hostilities against innocent people leading to countless deaths and injuries.”

There can be no peace in the region while Israel is allowed to continue such attacks without consequence. We call on the Australian Government, and the global community, to speak out and put a stop to the ongoing oppression and hostilities targeted against Palestinians. Authorised by:

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