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The Escalating Crisis in Palestine Demands Immediate International Response

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As the conflict in Palestine extends into its eleventh month, the Australian Federation of Islamic Councils (AFIC) reiterates its urgent plea to the international community to address the deepening humanitarian crisis.

The situation in Gaza remains dire, with recent figures showing an appalling toll of 41,118 Palestinians killed and 95,125 wounded. An additional 11,000 individuals are reported missing, underscoring the catastrophic impact of the ongoing conflict.

Dr. Rateb Jneid, President of AFIC, expressed deep concern: "The statistics are not just numbers—they are a horrific reminder of the human lives lost and communities shattered. The world must not become desensitised to such immense suffering."

Recent developments in the West Bank, particularly in Jenin, signal a disturbing escalation. Israeli forces recently concluded a 10-day assault on Jenin, resulting in significant casualties and structural devastation, and indicating that these attacks across the West Bank will continue. This continued aggression exacerbates an already grave situation, displacing countless families and deepening the humanitarian crisis.

"The parallels between the unfolding genocide in Gaza and the intensifying operations in the West Bank are deeply troubling," said Dr. Jneid. "The international response has been grossly inadequate, and we implore all nations to take a stand against these injustices and work collaboratively towards a sustainable resolution that respects the rights of the Palestinian people."

AFIC stands in solidarity with the Palestinian community and calls upon global leaders, humanitarian organisations, and individuals of conscience to act decisively. We must champion international law and human rights to foster peace and support those affected by these tragic conflicts.

"In the face of relentless tragedy, our resolve must be stronger than ever. We must continue to advocate for peace and justice, ensuring that the plight of Palestinians is not forgotten amidst geopolitical complexities," Dr. Jneid added.

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