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IN SUPPORT OF ISRAELI-PALESTINIAN PEACE**

**European Parliament, Brussels
30 and 31 August 2007**

Theme: Civil society and parliamentarians working together for peace in the Middle East

Programme

Thursday, 30 August
10.00 a.m. – 11.00 a.m.
PHS 03 C050

OPENING SESSION

Statements by:

Ms. Angela Kane

Assistant Secretary-General for Political Affairs
Representative of the Secretary-General of the United Nations

Mr. Edward McMillan-Scott

Vice-President of the European Parliament

H.E. Mr. Paul Badji

Chairman of the Committee on the Exercise of the
Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

H.E. Ms. Leila Shahid

General Delegate of Palestine to the European Union, Belgium and
Luxembourg
Representative of Palestine

Mr. Pierre Galand

Chairman of the European Coordination of Committees
and Associations for Palestine
Representative of the International Coordinating Network for Palestine

11.15 a.m. – 1.30 p.m.
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PLENARY I
**The situation in the Occupied Palestinian Territory,
 including East Jerusalem, and civil society response**

The impact of the occupation on the situation on the ground

Findings by the European Parliament delegation on its visit to the region

Humanitarian emergency and action by the international community

Action by civil society organizations working in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem

Presentations by speakers:

Mr. Waseem Khazmo

Communications Advisor, Negotiations Affairs Department
 Palestine Liberation Organization
 Ramallah

Mr. Danny Rubinstein

Member of the Editorial Board, *Ha'aretz*
 Tel Aviv

Ms. Clare Short

Member of the British Parliament for Birmingham Ladywood Party
 London

Ms. Nadia Hilou

Member of Knesset (Labour – Meimad)
 Tel Aviv

Mr. Kyriacos Triantaphyllides

Member of the European Parliament
 Chairman of the Delegation for relations with the Palestinian
 Legislative Council
 Brussels

Mr. Raymond Dolphin

Consultant on access issues for the United Nations Office
 for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs in the
 Occupied Palestinian Territory
 Jerusalem

Discussion

3.00 p.m. – 6.30 p.m.
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WORKSHOP

1. Fortieth anniversary of the occupation:
Building on action taken by civil society and moving forward;
Connecting with worldwide peace and social movements
and initiatives to uphold international law

Presentations by resource persons:

Mr. Jamal Juma

Coordinator, Anti-Apartheid Wall Campaign
Jerusalem

Ms. Angela Godfrey-Goldstein

Coordinator, Israeli Committee Against House Demolitions
Jerusalem

Ms. Betty Hunter

Director, Palestine Solidarity Campaign
London

Ms. Doris Musalem

Professor, University Autonoma Metropolitana of Mexico
Mexico City

Mr. Na'eem Jeenah

Spokesperson, Palestine Solidarity Committee of South Africa
President, Muslim Youth Movement
Johannesburg

Mr. Andreas van Agt

Professor and former Prime Minister of The Netherlands
Amsterdam

Ms. Sayyeda Salam

Coordinator, One Voice Movement
London

Discussion

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WORKSHOP

2. Engaging parliaments and parliamentarians, mainstream parties and movements, elected local officials and trade unionists

Presentations by resource persons:

Mr. Pierre Galand

Chairman, European Coordination of Committees and Associations
for Palestine
Brussels

Mr. Jordi Pedret

Member of the Spanish Parliament
Barcelona

Ms. Nadia Hilou

Member of Knesset (Labour – Meimad)
Tel Aviv

Mr. Bassam Al-Salhi

General Secretary, Palestinian People's Party
Member of the Palestinian Legislative Council
Jerusalem

Mr. Carlos Carnero González

Member of the European Parliament
Brussels

Mr. Abdullah Abdullah

Member, Palestinian Legislative Council
Ramallah

Mr. Christopher Doyle

Director, Council for the Advancement of Arab-British Understanding
London

Discussion

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10.00 a.m. – 1.30 p.m.
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WORKSHOP

3. Enhancing European contribution to international peace efforts –
The European Year of Intercultural Dialogue in 2008

Presentations by resource persons:

Ms. Luisa Morgantini
Vice-President of the European Parliament
Brussels

Mr. Richard Kuper
Spokesperson, European Jews for a Just Peace
London

H.E. Mr. Abdelaziz Aboughosh
Ambassador of Palestine to Malaysia
Kuala Lumpur

Mr. Eoin Murray
Coordinator, Trócaire (CARITAS)
Dublin

Discussion

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WORKSHOP

4. Strengthening campaigns to end the occupation and to realize the inalienable rights of the Palestinian people
 - Grassroots campaigns against the wall, rallying around Bil'in
 - Campaigns to support the inalienable rights of the Palestinian people, including the right of return

Presentations by resource persons:

Ms. Phyllis Bennis
Co-Chair, International Coordinating Network for Palestine
Director, New Internationalism Project, Institute for Policy Studies
Washington, D.C.

Mr. Mohammed Khatib
Principal coordinator of the Bil'in campaign
West Bank

Ms. Arlene Clemesha

Professor of Arab Culture, University of São Paulo
Director of International Relations, Institute for Arab Culture
São Paulo, Brazil

Mr. Victor Makari

Coordinator, Office for the Middle East and Asia Minor
Presbyterian Church (USA)
Louisville, Kentucky

Mr. Muhammad Jaradat

Coordinator, Badil Resource Center for Palestinian Residency
and Refugee Rights
Bethlehem

Mr. Tobias Schnebli

Member, *Collectif Urgence Palestine*
Geneva

Discussion

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WORKSHOP

5. Empowering women and women's organizations to play a decisive role in promoting Israeli-Palestinian peace

Presentations by resource persons:

Ms. Wafa' Abdel Rahman

Founder and Director, Filastiniyat Organization
Member, International Women's Commission for a Just and
Sustainable Palestinian Peace
Ramallah

Ms. Sari Bashi

Director, Gisha – Center for the Legal Protection of Freedom of Movement
Tel Aviv

Ms. Ivonne Mansbach

Member, Machsom Watch
Jerusalem

Ms. Ghada Zughayar

Assistant to the General Director for External Relations
Palestinian Agricultural Relief Committees
Ramallah

Discussion

3.00 p.m. – 5.15 p.m.
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PLENARY II
Civil society support for a just and peaceful resolution
of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict

Reports from the Workshops

The role and strategies of the International Coordinating Network for Palestine

Presentations by speakers:

Mr. Mustafa Barghouti
President, Palestinian National Initiative
Member, Palestinian Legislative Council
Ramallah

Mr. Raji Sourani
Director, Palestinian Centre for Human Rights
Gaza

Ms. Jennifer Loewenstein
Member of the board, Israeli Committee Against Home Demolitions
Associate Director, Middle East Studies Program, University of
Wisconsin-Madison and senior lecturer in modern Middle East Studies
Madison, Wisconsin

Mr. Michael Warschawski
Founder and Director, Alternative Information Center
Jerusalem

Discussion and adoption of the Plan of Action

5.30 p.m. – 6.00 p.m.
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CLOSING SESSION

Statements by:

Mr. Na'eem Jeenah
Co-Chair, International Coordinating Network for Palestine

Ms. Luisa Morgantini
Vice-President of the European Parliament

H.E. Mr. Riyad Mansour
Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations
Representative of Palestine

H.E. Mr. Paul Badji
Chairman of the Committee on the Exercise of the
Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People