

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

Newsletter on Recent and Upcoming Activities - No. 3/January-March 2020 –

1. Committee participates in Security Council debate on the situation in the Middle East



On **21 and 22 January**, the Security Council held its first open debate of 2020 on the situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian Question. UN Under-Secretary-General for Political Affairs Rosemary DiCarlo, Assistant Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs Ursula Mueller and Vice-Chair of the Palestinian Rights Committee, Ambassador Adela Raz, addressed the Security Council meeting, among others.

For the Palestinian Rights Committee's statement, click <u>here</u>.

2. Committee elects its Bureau and adopts the Programme of Work for 2020



On **4 February**, the Palestinian Rights Committee held its first meeting of 2020 to elect its Bureau and adopt <u>the Programme of Work</u> for the year. Secretary-General António Guterres, accompanied by the Chef de Cabinet and the Assistant Secretary-General for Political and Peacebuilding Affairs, presided over the election and delivered a statement.

For more details and documents, click here.

3. Briefing to new diplomats



On **14 February**, the Division for Palestinian Rights organized its annual "Briefing session for delegates" on the mandate and work methods of the Committee and the work of the Division. Some 30 diplomats joined the meeting.

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4. International Conference on the Question of Palestine, Kuala Lumpur



international arena.

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On 28-29 February, the Committee, in cooperation with the Government of Malaysia and Perdana Global Peace Foundation (PGPF), convened an international conference under the theme "Southeast Asian Support for the Rights of the Palestinian People" at the Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre. The event brought together Palestinian and international experts – practitioners, academics, civil society – to address the difficulties of life of Palestinians under Israeli occupation and highlight the need for aimed at halting negative trends on the ground and in the

5. Committee delegation's visit to Delhi



A Committee delegation visited New Delhi on 2 and 3 March, led by the Chair (Permanent Representative of Senegal), to engage India, a member of the Committee and a good friend of Palestine and Israel, to promote a peaceful settlement of the question of Palestine. The delegation met with H.E. Mr.

S. Jaishankar, the Minister of External Affairs, and other officials of the Ministry and the ruling Bharatiya Janata Party.

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