

## **European Palestinian Council for Political Relations**

To the Esteemed Candidates for the European Elections 2024,

We urgently seek your participation in the European campaign advocating for the rights of the Palestinian people in the context of the incoming European Elections 2024.

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In the face of a genocidal conflict against Palestinians, unspeakable crimes have been committed. Nearly forty thousand lives lost, over one and a half million displaced, and access to basic necessities deliberately obstructed. Hospitals destroyed, medical personnel targeted, and schools devastated—leading to a dire humanitarian crisis. Amidst the environmental repercussions that threaten epidemics and further loss of life, the recent discovery of mass graves serves as a chilling testament to the immense suffering and injustice endured by the Palestinian people.

Regrettably, some European leaders disproportionately favour Israel, whose actions consistently contravene international law, international humanitarian law, and human rights norms. Meanwhile, Europe is relinquishing its mechanisms to exert pressure on Israel and hold it accountable, thereby altering its intended role as a central actor in the region. Despite numerous opportunities, the Parliament has failed to adopt a just and unwavering position.

Of particular alarm is the alignment of some recommendations with perpetrators rather than victims. This disconcerting trend undermines the very essence of justice. Shockingly, European parties have supported war criminals, perpetuating injustice.

Some parliamentarians' decisions, at times based on false information, have serious consequences. Their rejection of straightforward demands—such as a ceasefire, adherence to International Court of Justice rulings, and sanctions against war criminals—raises urgent questions.

Furthermore, the European Parliament's support for Israeli forces, allowing attacks on UN and EU institutions, is deeply troubling. Innocent lives, including pregnant women seeking refuge, have been lost. Calls for accountability and recognition of a Palestinian state echo throughout the European political landscape, yet meaningful action remains elusive.

Millions of Europeans have voiced dissent, demanding justice and condemning genocidal acts in Palestine, including deliberate famine imposition. Moreover, European politicians have aligned with Israel and the US, despite their mandate from the 2019 elections, thus tarnishing Europe's reputation and eroding moral foundations.

Transparency remains conspicuously absent across various dimensions of the Palestinian crisis. The distribution of aid to Gaza operates with scant information available regarding its actual delivery and impact. Moreover, there persists a troubling pattern of misinformation, where accurate data is suppressed while erroneous information is disseminated. Additionally, the lack of coherence in political stances exacerbates the opacity, as military aid continues to flow to Israel despite calls for upholding human rights standards. This disjointed approach undermines public trust.