



RESOLUTION NO.487

"The Senate of Pakistan, taking note of the unprovoked war of aggression unleashed by Israel against defenceless Palestinians in occupied territories, condemns these crimes against humanity committed by the Israeli occupation forces. The crimes committed by Israel against the people of Palestine include war crimes, since Israeli planes bombed non-military targets like residential complexes and media offices, as well as crimes of deliberately committing sacrilege of Muslim holy places in Jerusalem.

The Senate of Pakistan also expresses its deep resentment at the hypocrisy and double standards of various countries whose condemnation is missing, but still talk of human rights, despite being complicit with the aggressor. We reject any attempt to equate the aggressor (Israel) with the victims of aggression (Palestinian people) and are very clear, this is not a conflict. This is a one-sided war. The Senate of Pakistan welcomes the Government of Pakistan's initiatives to dispatch humanitarian assistance to the encircled people of Gaza and to diplomatically coordinate with other countries on Palestine. The Senate also urges the international community to take immediate effective and concrete steps to save our Palestinian brethren from further anguish and misery at the hands of the fascist Israeli war machine. These steps must include lifting the blockade in Gaza, sending shipments of humanitarian supplies to the people of Gaza, urge cessation of Israeli aggression, sending independent observer teams to Gaza, contributing to the reconstruction and rebuilding of Gaza and initiating war crimes trials against Israeli occupation army for their crimes of Gaza and Jerusalem.

The Senate of Pakistan is clear that Palestine is facing nothing less than genocide, massacre and ethnic cleansing. Israel is an apartheid state and guilty of war crimes and settler colonialism. Only a two-state solution is acceptable with total withdrawal of Israel from all occupied Arab territories including Jerusalem and the establishment of an independent homeland for Palestinians with Al-Quds Al-Sharif as its capital.

1. This House *strongly condemns* the brutal use of force and illegal Israeli actions in the Occupied Palestinian territory.
2. *Warns* against the dangerous repercussions of Israel's unrestrained and barbaric aggression against Palestinian civilians, as well as complete disregard for the sanctity of Al-Aqsa mosque.

3. *Deplores* the obfuscation of fact and politicization of the situation by a few quarters, creating false equivalence between the Palestinian victims and Israeli aggressors, to justify Israel`s attacks against Palestinians civilians.
4. *Reaffirms* Pakistan`s unwavering support for the realization of the right to self-determination and other fundamental rights of the Palestinian people as well as for the two-state solution based on the pre-1967 borders and a free, secure, viable, independent and contiguous state of Palestine, with Al-Quds Al Sharif as its capital.
5. *Takes note* of the resolution adopted by the emergency meeting of the OIC Executive Committee at the Foreign Ministers level on May 16, 2021 which embodies the collective condemnation of Israeli brutalities by the Muslim Ummah and their joint demand for an immediate stop to the barbaric attacks by the occupying power against Palestinian people, their lands and holy sites; urges the OIC and Arab League to intensify their efforts to help the Palestinians people.
6. *Calls upon* the international community to:
 - (a) *Ensure* Israel`s compliance with resolutions of the UN Security Council, UN General Assembly and UN Human Rights Council, reaffirming the right to self-determination of the Palestinian people.
 - (b) *Ensure* Israel`s compliance with the fourth Geneva Convention relative to the protection of Civilian persons in time of War and its Additional Protocol-1.
 - (c) *Urge* Israel to immediately halt its aggression against Palestinian people; end Human Rights abuse, ensure compliance with principles of International Human Rights Law, respect the Palestinian`s right to life, adequate housing, freedom of expression, peaceful assembly and protest, and freedom of religion or belief, and stop forced evictions and settlement construction aimed at demographic change, in complete violation of International Law.
 - (d) *Condemn* Israel for violating the sanctity of Al Aqsa Mosque and Haram Al Sharif, and demand unfettered access for repairing the damage caused to religious holy site by Israeli reprehensible actions.
 - (e) *Hold* Israel, the occupying authority, responsible for the deterioration of the situation and reject the false equivalence narrative to justify the ongoing Israeli atrocities in the Occupied Palestinian Territory.
 - (f) *Establish* International independent protection mechanism for the protection of Palestinian people as also demanded by the Organization of Islamic Cooperation.
 - (g) *Ensure* accountability for all past and present grave Human Rights violations and crimes against humanity by Israel through fair, impartial and independent accountability mechanism.

(h) *Urge* Israel to immediately lift the blockade of Gaza and allow the International Humanitarian Organizations to carry out their relief work to protect and assist the Palestinian population.

(i) *Seeks* the right of return of Palestinians to their displaced homes.

Pakistan stands shoulder to shoulder with the struggle of the Palestinian people and we salute the valour, heroism and sacrifices of Palestinian people including children, resisting repression with grit, determination and an indomitable spirit. The senate of Pakistan urges all Parliaments and Parliamentarians in the world to take note of these war crimes which are being committed by Israel in Occupied Palestine and by India in Occupied Kashmir, and to understand that there is an inextricable linkage of peace, security in our religion and the world with the just and peaceful resolution of these lingering conflicts in Occupied Palestine and Indian Occupied Jammu Kashmir."

Moved by Senator Shehzad Waseem, Leader of the House, on his own behalf and on behalf of Senators Syed Yousaf Raza Gillani, Leader of the Opposition, Azam Nazeer Tarar, Sherry Rehman, Muhammad Talha Mahmood, Kauda Babar, Mushtaq Ahmed, Sardar Muhammad Shafiq Tareen, Hidayat Ullah, Muhammad Tahir Bizinjo, Anwar ul Haq Kakar, Kamil Ali Agha, Saifullah Sarwar Khan Nyazee and Muhammad Qasim Unanimously Passed by the Senate of Pakistan on Wednesday, the 25th May, 2021.