In the Name of Allah, The Beneficent, The Merciful



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STATEMENT ON ONGOING VIOLENCE IN PALESTINE

The Islamic Da'wah Movement of Trinidad & Tobago (IDM) condemns in the strongest possible terms the Israeli desecration of Al-Aqsa Mosque during Ramadan that Friday night (7 May / 25 Ramadan) and the ongoing violence in Gaza, the West Bank and Jerusalem.

We further denounce:

- The relentless Palestinian holocaust and genocide at the hands of their internationally unlawful apartheid-imposing Israeli persecutors and occupiers.
- The Israeli courts' continued apartheid sanctioning of armed Jewish colonizers forcibly
 dispossessing Palestinians of their ancestral homes in the Sheikh Jarrah and Al-Bustan
 neighborhoods of Jerusalem as well as in other Palestinian communities in and around
 Jerusalem and the West Bank. These acts are recognized by the international community
 as illegal, according to the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

Systematic Israeli suppression of the lives and human rights of Palestinians is now virtually universally recognized and designated as a violation of the International Covenant Against the Crime of Apartheid – including by Human Rights Watch.

Message to the Honourable Prime Minister of TT

We call upon our honourable Prime Minister, Dr. Keith Rowley to make a statement on behalf of the Government of Trinidad & Tobago, to immediately condemn these violations of international law by Israel as Palestinians are forcibly being removed from their homes in East Jerusalem. We call upon him to condemn the clear crime of Israel's use of disproportionate force in Gaza against the Palestinian civilians, including children.

We also call on Dr. Rowley to reconsider any business dealings with Israel to show dissatisfaction with their apartheid regime and genocide of Palestinian people.

Message to the United Nations

We also call on the United Nations (UN) to send peace-keeping forces into the West Bank and Gaza to stop the continued mass-murder of defenseless men, women and children as it did in Bosnia (1994) and other parts of the world.

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"To save one human life is as though we have saved the life of the entire human race." (Holy Qur'an, Ch.5:32)

In addition, we call on the UN to impose punitive economic sanctions against the State of Israel until it complies with all those UN resolutions that they have ignored and acted with impunity for over 73 yrs.

Message to all peace-loving people

We also call on all the peace-loving peoples of the world to stand in solidarity with the Palestinian people who have been denied their basic human rights for too long. People who have been treated by the racist State of Israel for decades, as less than human.

We beseech Allah to:

- Protect the Palestinians, their lives, properties, homes, and possessions
- Safeguard Your Holy House, Al-Masjid Al-Aqsa, its sacred space, and the blessed lands that surround it
- Give the people who defend it and who vindicate their inalienable, God-given right to
 defend their homes, families, and properties patience in the face of the horrendously
 immoral generational persecution they endure

May God Almighty guide and help us all.

Mirza Ali-Mohammed

President

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