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## **The Jordan Network for Human and Peoples' Rights Condemns the Israeli Occupation's Demand for Guterres to Resign and its Description of the United Nations as a Failed Organization**

The Amman Center for Human Rights Studies (ACHRS) strongly condemns the policy of intimidation pursued by the Israeli occupation towards the United Nations and its description as a "failed organization." We condemn Israel's attack towards the UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres, specifically in its demand for him to apologize and resign from his position due to his statement in which he said, "It is important to also recognize the attacks by Hamas did not happen in a vacuum", and that "these appalling attacks [Israeli attacks] cannot justify the collective punishment of the Palestinian people." In another escalation, Israel announced a decision to boycott the United Nations Secretary-General and deprive UN officials of entry visas, further complicating the fate of civilians in the Gaza Strip, increasing their isolation, and denying them any hope of receiving humanitarian aid from the United Nations.

These irresponsible and inconsistent positions of Israeli officials point to serious violations of international humanitarian law, and this is not the first instance. Former UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon faced similar attacks when he spoke about the "ongoing injustices suffered by the Palestinians during his tenure in early 2016." Likewise, former Secretary-General of the United Nations, Kofi Annan, was subjected to similar criticism when he accused Ariel Sharon's government, during its attempt to suppress what was known as the second Palestinian intifada, causing the deaths of hundreds of innocent Palestinians and the destruction of many Palestinian homes and buildings.

The center emphasizes that these are serious violations of international humanitarian law and are heinous crimes. In 25 days, over 8.300 Palestinians in Gaza alone have died and 21.000 have been injured. More than 200.000 homes are cut off from electricity, energy, water, and internet access, and the delivery of humanitarian aid including medicine and food is obstructed. This would not have occurred without overt encouragement from Western countries, who also share a part of the responsibility for the genocide and ethnic cleansing of Palestinians in Gaza – not only since October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023, but for over 75 years.

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- 2- Jordan Society for Human Rights**
- 3- Working Women Association**
- 4- Amman Center for Human Rights Studies (ACHRS)**
- 5- Arab Women Organization (AWO)**
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