ARAB INTER-PARLIAMENTARY UNION



THE PRESIDENT

Statement Issued by the Presidency of the Arab Inter-Parliamentary Union on behalf of the Union on the Occasion of the 54th Anniversary of Naksa/Setback of June, 5th 1967

The 54th Anniversary of the Arab and Palestinian Setback sets in this year while the Palestinians, who are defending the Holy Quds/ Jerusalem as well as all the occupied Arab territories, set a unique example of struggle for the restoration of their rights usurped by the Israeli occupation authorities.

Today, now that the Palestinian resistance has proved that countering the brutal Israeli aggression and foiling its expansionist settler schemes can only be achieved through steadfastness and by holding on to the land, by acting hand in hand, the young and the old, men and women, to curb Israel's attempts to seize the remainder of the land, the Arab Inter-Parliamentary Union, recognizing the importance of pan-Arab solidarity and the activation of joint Arab action to protect our brotherly Palestinian people and to liberate them from Israeli occupation, and to expose its racist practices; The Union appeals, to all the world's states, peoples and free men and women all over the globe to take serious effective action to support the Palestinian people and uphold their rights in the face of Israel's violations of international laws and conventions, and to achieve genuine peace on the ground for all those who honestly seek such peace and aspire for it;

Furthermore, **the Union emphasizes**, the need for holding on the two-state solution as the only way to end the Arab-Israeli conflict and to break the vicious circle of violence, killing and fanaticism, the expansion of which may be ominous of grave consequences and ramifications to the Middle East as a whole, not to mention the spread of the law of the jungle, the threat to international peace and security and the undermining of peoples' confidence in the effectiveness of the international law and human rights;

The Arab Inter-Parliamentary Union expresses, its steady solidarity with, and full support of, Arab Palestine's man, history and brotherly people who have made of their will of life and survival an invincible fence for their steadfastness on their land, and who are resolute on their stance that there can be no compromise on, nor an alternative for, their rights of return, freedom, independence and self-determination, as well as the establishment of their independent, fully sovereign state with East Jerusalem as its capital. It is only with the struggle, patience, perseverance and determination of the honest faithful that great aspirations can be achieved.

Beirut, 5th June, 2021

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