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## *Occupation in Numbers*

- 3 Palestinians killed (2 minors)
- 50 Palestinians wounded
- 6 administrative detentions
- 2,200 illegal settlement unit approved in the Negev
- 2 homes and 3 business structures demolished
- Plan to demolish 800 Palestinians homes
- 1 demolition order of an EU-funded school
- 1 house taken over
- 1 Bedouin village demolished for the 198<sup>th</sup> time
- 34 violations against Palestinian Journalists (28 injured in attacks by Israeli occupation forces and settlers, and 6 cases when journalists were used as human shields)

## **211 RIGHTS GROUPS CALL FOR RESPECTING AMNESTY REPORT**

211 rights groups and NGOs called for the international community to respect Amnesty International's report which labelled Israel an apartheid state.

In a joint statement, the rights groups and NGOs also called for respecting other similar reports, considering them international documents to be used in prosecuting Israel for its crimes of discrimination and racism against Palestinians. The rights groups and NGOs considered the denial of the facts in these reports as a form of animosity towards Palestinians and denial of their inalienable rights.

At the same time, they condemned any parties or individuals who denied that Israel is practicing apartheid against Palestinians.

## **JUDAIZING IBRAHIMI MOSQUE**

Israeli army is continuing its attacks on the Ibrahimi Mosque in the occupied West Bank city of Hebron, with the aim of Judaizing it and changing its features, in order to serve illegal settlers.

The new Israeli measures in the vicinity of the mosque, including the recent erection of a number of tents, contravene all laws, as the mosque is on the UNESCO World Heritage List, and therefore must be preserved.

The Israeli army has installed an escalator that is longer and wider than a previous one that was removed." This facilitates settler access "to a place located in the eastern corner of the mosque, where they perform religious rituals

## PALESTINE & COVID-19

### CURRENT STATUS

There have been so far over 579,348 confirmed cases of COVID, 568,547 recovery cases and 5,305 deaths.

### MEET DR. HANAN ASHRAWI



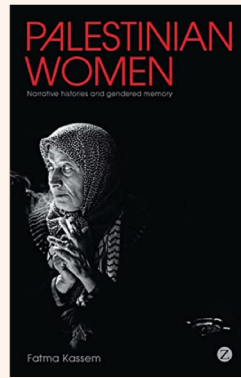
Hanan Ashrawi is said to be one of the most well-known Palestinian female politician and has spent her life advocating on behalf of the Palestinian people, particularly Palestinian women.

She was born in Ramallah in 1946 and has been active in Palestinian civil society since her early years founding the Palestinian Initiative for the Promotion of Global Dialogue and Democracy (MIFTAH), as well as establishing a name for herself in academia as Dean of the Faculty of Arts at Birzeit University.

Later on, she came to international prominence as the spokesperson for the Palestinian delegation to the Madrid and Washington peace talks. She continued to occupy a prominent position within the Palestinian government as a member of the Palestinian Legislative Council. Dr. Hanan is the first woman elected to the Palestinian National Council.

## A BOOK TO READ

### PALESTINIAN WOMEN: NARRATIVE HISTORIES AND GENDERED MEMORY



FATMA KASSEM

*Palestinian Women* is the first book to examine and document the experiences and the historical narrative of ordinary Palestinian women who witnessed the events of 1948 and became involuntary citizens of the State of Israel.

Told in their own words, the women's experiences serve as a window for examining the complex intersections of gender, nationalism and citizenship in a situation of ongoing violent political conflict.

Known in Palestinian discourse as the 'Nakbeh', or the 'Catastrophe', these events of 60 years ago still have a powerful resonance in contemporary Palestinian-Jewish relations in the State of Israel and in the act of narrating these stories, the author argues that the realm of memory is a site of commemoration and resistance.

## PALESTINE AND HUNGARY



### EVENTS & MEETINGS

- Embassy of Palestine in Hungary responded to the crisis in Ukraine. The embassy issued instructions for Palestinian citizens leaving Ukraine and commenced the evacuation process, helping large numbers of Palestinian citizens to reach home safely

- Palestinian-Hungarian Academic Platform kicks off with the participation of 22 universities from Palestine and Hungary

- Ambassador Dr. Fadi Elhousseini met with Ambassador of the Republic of Chile H.E. Mr. Camilo Eduardo SANHUEZA BEZANILLA

- Dr. Elhousseini received Ambassador of Cuba to Hungary H.E. Mr. Guillermo Vazquez Moreno

- Dr. Elhousseini met with H.E. Ms. Carmenza Jaramillo Ambassador of Colombia

- Ambassador Elhousseini met with Ambassador of Peru H.E. Mr. Raul Alfredo SALAZAR COSIO

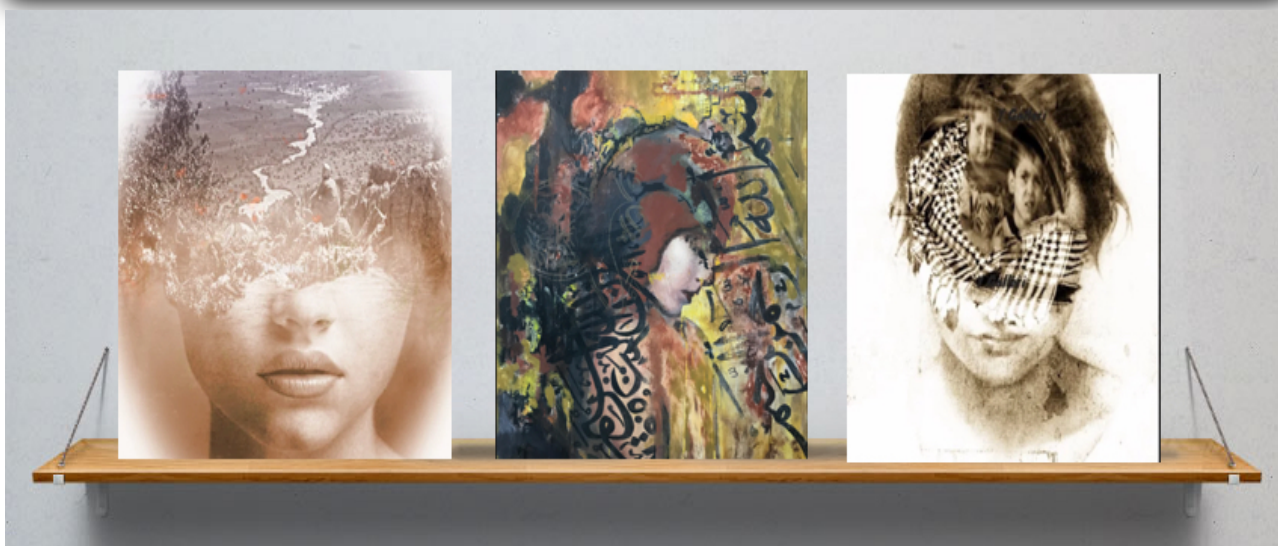
- Dr. Elhousseini met with sheikh Balázs Mihálffy (Abdelrahman), translator of the holy Qur'an and founder of the Hungarian Islamic Community

- Council of Arab Ambassadors in Hungary convened with the participation of Palestine

### EMBASSY OF PALESTINE SUPPORT IN EVACUATING PALESTINIANS FROM UKRAIN





**PICTURE OF THE MONTH****PALESTINIAN WOMEN PORTRAYED BY MANAL DEEB**

Manal Deeb is a Palestinian-American visual artist who works between the Washington DC area, USA and Ramallah, Palestine. Manal's work, original paintings and digital art, presents many identities that are indistinguishable! Each identity has the same apparent memories and perceives identical surroundings, while believing, with evidence, to be representing the real self and the actual memories.



**SPECIAL EVENTS****EXHIBITIONS**

The opening of the exhibition *And We Still Follow Its Path*, organized by Khalil Sakakini Cultural Center and Palestinian Art Court - al Hoash. The exhibition encompasses 10 artistic projects by 13 artists from all over Palestine, presenting personal and collective narratives centered on Jerusalem through their featured works that challenge colonial narratives and bring about multi-layered stories of personal intimacies, nostalgic imaginaries, and local narratives. The exhibition is curated by Rawan Sharaf and includes interactive participatory works that invite the audience into becoming active contributors to the process of constructing the city's narratives. The exhibition runs till May 9, 2022.

**LECTURES**

Occupied Waves (in Arabic), prepared and presented by Haneen Saleh, with research done by Marah Khalifa, organized by the Palestinian Museum in partnership with Sawt to present the stories and personal experiences of three Palestinian fishermen, one under siege in Gaza, one under siege in Jisr al-Zarqa, and a refugee in Sidon. They recount their personal stories and the challenges they've faced, as all their fishing experiences have been impacted by the occupation. Available in the Palestinian Museum social

**AGRICULTURE****THE GREEN GIRLS**

- Close to the Apartheid Wall erected by Israel on the Gaza frontier, Aseel Al-Najjar, 28, rents land in Khuza'a, east of Khan Younis along with Nadine Abu Rouk and Ghaida Qudeih where they started their project "The Green Girls"
- The group succeeded through their tireless work throughout the year in turning an area of eight acres into a beautiful green piece of land.
- East of Deir Al-Balah, another group of young women headed by Amani Bashir, 30, is utilizing their family's land to turn it into a source of income.

**INNOVATIVE INDUSTRY****WOMEN CARPENTERS IN GAZA**

Seven girls from a Bedouin village in the northern Gaza Strip were able to break with tradition and establish themselves as carpenters, making educational tools for schools.

This is a result of the Zeina Association and Cooperative for Handicraft in Beit Hanun in the northern Gaza Strip's training, which helps the women safely operate tools and make a living out of it.

Ghadeer Tayeh uses the shear saw to make educational toys for children with special needs, wooden pendants and strawberry packing boxes for farmers. Many of the items the ladies make were previously imported into Gaza, but can now be made locally.

**SPORTS****INSPIRING FEMALE BASKETBALL COACH FOR A BOYS TEAM**

Tamara Awartani is the co-founder and director of the NGO "Palestine Sports for Life" (PS4L). She is the first female basketball coach for young boys. She started with five boys, then the number started increasing to reach more than 200 boys who wanted to be in her session

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