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Statement on President Trump's plans for Gaza

Excellency,

Since Donald Trump took over the presidency of the United States of America, new decrees and measures involving restrictions and violations of human rights have been announced almost daily.

However, his latest plan regarding Israel and Gaza is so inhumane and dangerous that even much of the Western world is openly opposed to it.

More than two million Palestinians live crammed into Gaza, displaced people from what is now Israel, whose already meagre living space has been almost completely destroyed by the war that has been going on for more than a year. And now President Trump's outrageous proposal: to simply deport all the Palestinian people to other countries to make way for luxury buildings and hotel complexes on the beach. Not for the people who have been so badly affected by the war.

One of the arguments for this 'solution' is that Israel is such a small country and desperately needs more space. The very idea is frightening and opens the door to greed.

World peace - which is already hanging by a thread because of the current wars - is acutely threatened.

Almost unnoticed by the public, the annexation of more of Palestine continues unabated: Jewish settlers are violently invading the West Bank, displacing and killing the Palestinians who live there. In Jordan, too, villages in the Golan are being systematically cleared and their inhabitants expelled.



We, the Arab Organization for Human Rights, AOHR for Central Europe, call upon all governments and organizations to take a firm stand against these outrageous plans.

Together we have the power to prevent the worst, for the sake of human rights and for our own protection.

Sincerely,


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P.S.: AOHR obtained the consultative status in the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations (ECOSOC) in 1989. It also obtained the observative status in the African Commission for Human Rights and Peoples Rights in 1989. AOHR signed a headquarters agreement with the Government of Egypt in May 6th, 2000.