



International Indian Treaty Council

Working for the Rights and Recognition of Indigenous Peoples

Consejo Internacional de Tratados Indios

Trabajando por el reconocimiento y los derechos de los Pueblos Indígenas

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Standing Rock, Oceti Sakowin Treaty Territory

Resolution in Support of the Palestinian People and Against the Ongoing Violations of their Rights

Affiliates of the International Indian Treaty Council (IITC), representing over 300 Indigenous Peoples and Nations from North, Central and South America, the Arctic, the Pacific and the Caribbean, participated in IITC's 50th Anniversary Conference in IITC's birthplace, the Standing Rock Nation, Oceti Sakowin Treaty Territory. We came together to defend with one voice our inherent rights as affirmed in the Treaties we concluded with the colonizing settler governments. We reaffirmed and endorsed IITC's founding document adopted in June 1974, "The **“Declaration of Continuing Independence”** which recognized the binding, inviolate international relationship affirmed by these Nation-to-Nation Treaties.

Further, IITC adopted by consensus the following resolution to defend the inherent rights and ways of life of Indigenous Peoples and support the continuity of life for our future generations:

IITC underscores and acknowledges the interconnected struggles and resistance that bind Indigenous Peoples globally;

IITC strongly condemns the extreme violations of human rights, including genocide and ethnic cleansing, forced relocation, and the indiscriminate killings of children, women, elders, aid workers and medical personnel being carried out by the military actions of State of Israel with the support of the United States now faced by the Palestinian People of Gaza. We see their heartbreaking plight as a reflection of the struggles faced in the past and present by Indigenous Peoples around the world. They resonate deeply within our own Peoples and serve as stark reminder of our collective responsibilities to demand a halt to this unwarranted brutality;

IITC recalls that we have historically supported the Palestinian People, and we continue to stand firmly with them in their pursuit of self-determination and human rights. We call for action by the international community to ensure that all involved States uphold their



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obligations under international human rights standards including the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, the Universal Declaration on Human Rights, the Geneva Convention, the UN Convention on the Elimination on all Forms of Racial Discrimination, the UN Convention on Genocide, and the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

IITC strongly condemns the forced displacement of Palestinian people in both Gaza and the West Bank, including the continued expansion of illegal settlements and the aggressive military actions and criminalization that blatantly violate the rights of the Palestinian People

IITC demands accountability for any state or entity that infringes upon international norms and the fundamental rights of the Palestinian People, including through the actions and decisions of the International Court of Justice which has identified the actions being taken by Israel in Gaza as genocide.

IITC further urges the international community, including prominent global leaders and States such as the United States, to hold the State of Israel accountable for ongoing violations of international human rights and humanitarian law, particularly those involving the targeting of civilians. **IITC endorses** United Nations' resolutions demanding an immediate ceasefire and advocates for the cessation of military aid and equipment to Israel that could be utilized in human rights violations.

IITC is committed to amplifying the voices and struggles of the Palestinian People in global forums, ensuring that their struggles and rights are acknowledged and addressed comprehensively. We support efforts to bring their stories to the forefront of international dialogues and we also support their recognition as a full member of the United Nations and all its bodies and specialized agencies.

Adopted by consensus on June 24th, 2024
