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**Statement**

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Condemning Israeli Atrocities in the Occupied Territories of Palestine**

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As the Asian Parliamentary Assembly, we hereby condemn, in the strongest sense of the word, Israel's violent and criminal attacks against innocent Palestinian civilians in the occupied Palestine. We deplore the Israeli raids and assaults in which Israeli armed forces are using lethal weapons against defenseless Palestinian civilians, including infants, children, women and elderly.

Unfortunately, Israel has long been committing crimes against humanity in occupied Palestinian territories, especially in holy sites, and it has escalated and intensified the ongoing hideous crimes in the occupied territories particularly since the beginning of the blessed Ramadan. Israel's fatal attacks against civilians have reached its most dire of circumstances and resulted in many civilian deaths and injuries on the eve of Eid al-Fitr.

We strongly urge the international community to take a resolute and effective action, without any further delay, to terminate the incessant cruelties against innocent Palestinians and violation of international law perpetuated by the Israeli state.

We also call on the international community to act against the Israeli practices through which the Israeli authorities have unlawfully transformed the holy city of Jerusalem and its neighborhoods into a war zone. It is a moral and lawful obligation of the international community to prevent Israel from committing ethnic cleansing, forcefully displacing Palestinians from their homeland, confiscating the properties of Palestinian people, attacking worshippers, withholding them from reaching the blessed Al-Aqsa Mosque, the first qibla of the Muslim people, and depriving Palestinian people of practicing their legitimate rights.

As human beings, it is our moral duty and responsibility to provide protection to the Palestinian civilians exposed to the occupation crimes and to support the rights of Palestinian people and empower them in their honorable cause for justice, freedom, and independence.

We declare our full support and solidarity with the people of Palestine in the occupied territories. We also stress the pressing need of holding Israel accountable for its human rights violations and crimes against humanity in the occupied Palestinian lands since 1967.

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