172 civil and human rights organizations urge the international community
Condemning the racist Israeli occupation crimes against Palestinian children
and demanding their release

The Israeli crimes against Palestinian children are condemned. The Israeli occupation authorities continue their violations against Palestinian children represented in arresting and abusing them during the arrest process without respecting the child’s protection treaties and the Convention on the Rights of the Child. These crimes are carried out under displacement, murder and intimidation. The highest percentage was after April/October (119), and at the end of October there are 160 children distributed in Megiddo Ofer Damon prison of them About (4) children in administrative detention and (12) children under (12) years old are also detained. According to the testimonies provided by the prisoners and the reports issued by the prisoners’ institutions, they are subjected to the cruelty to which adult prisoners are subjected to torture, unfair trials and inhumane treatment that violates their basic rights and threatens their future is lost. This is against the terms of the Child Agreement especially Article 16, which states:
No arbitrary or unlawful interference with a child's private life, family, home, or correspondence, or any lawful prejudice to his honor or reputation.
Which also states:
“The child has the right to be protected by law from this exposure and prejudice.” The occupation does not take into account the young age of children when they are brought to court, and a special court is not formed for them, and the age of the child is set for less than (16) years based on Military Order No. (132). this is a clear violation of Article No. (1) of the Child Convention, which defines a child as “every human being under the age of eighteen.”
The Israeli occupation authorities deprive the child prisoners of the most basic rights granted to them by international conventions that they are entitled to regardless of their
religion, nationality. These include the right not to be subjected to arbitrary arrest. It includes:

- The right to know the reason for the arrest.
- The right to obtain a lawyer.
- The family’s right to know the reason for the arrest, and the location of the arrest.
- The right to appear before a judge.
- The right to object and challenge the accusation.
- The right to communicate with the outside world.
- The right to humane treatment that preserves the dignity of the detained child.

Child prisoners in Israeli prisons suffer from harsh and inhumane conditions of detention that lack international standards for children’s rights. The prisoners suffer from lack of food and poor quality, lack of hygiene, and the spread of insects. Child prisoners are deprived of health care and appropriate medical treatment, and painkillers are usually the treatment for various types of diseases. According to the testimonies of child prisoners, the prison administration refuses to transfer patients from them to prison clinics, and if they transfer them, they are subjected to beatings, insults, and harassment, even from doctors and nurses. Likewise, there is no permanent doctor available in the prison clinic. The occupation is still procrastinating and sometimes refusing to perform surgeries on children who need immediate operations, and this is contrary to international laws that explicitly stipulate the need for medical care for prisoners. Articles (91-92) of the Fourth Geneva Convention stated: “Every prisoner must have a clinic”. An event supervised by a qualified doctor, and that the detainees receive the medical care they need, as well as the installation of any medical devices necessary to maintain their health in good condition, free of charge. Free medical examinations must be conducted for the detainees at least once a month, and their purpose is to monitor the health and psychological condition, general nutrition, and hygiene, as well as the detection of infectious diseases. Israeli prisons do not comply with this.

And if we examine the sentences issued unjustly and aggressively, we find that they are high, as one child was sentenced to life imprisonment, three children were sentenced to 15
years in prison, and four other children were sentenced between 5 and 9 years, and often the verdict is accompanied by financial fines (1000-6000 shekels).
The Israeli occupation state is the only country in the world that tries children before military courts.

Based on the foregoing, we, the undersigned organizations, demand:
First: The international community to put pressure on the Israeli occupation state and oblige it to implement international agreements on prisoners and detainees, especially child prisoners, and to work for their release.

Second: All international human rights organizations, especially those working in the field of children, such as UNICEF & Dcl, to launch an international campaign to shed light on the suffering of child prisoners in Israeli prisons, and to work for their release.

The signatories to the statement
1. Tunisian General Labor Union
2. Coordination for Maghreb Human Rights Organizations (include 26 HR organizations from Morocco, Mauretania, Algeria, Tunisia and Libya)
3. The Moroccan Coalition for Human Rights Bodies (includes 23 Moroccan human rights organizations)
4. Sudanese Women's Union
5. The Jordan Federation of the independent Trade Unions
6. Union of Palestinian Working Women's Committees
7. Tunisian Coalition Against the Death Penalty
8. The Human Rights Coalition to Stop the Aggression, Lift the Siege, and Build Peace in Yemen (includes 10 organizations from ten Arab countries)
9. Egyptian Coalition for Child Rights (includes 100 institutions)
10. The National Coalition of Civil Society Organizations in Yemen
11. The Coalition for Integrity and Accountability (AMAN)/Palestine
12. The Palestinian Doctors Association in Europe
13. The Academic Assembly for the support of Palestine-Lebanon
14. Women’s Cultural Assembly for Democracy / Iraq
15. Cultural Rally for Democracy / Iraq
16. NGOs Platform (Tajamoh)(includes 50 organizations)/Lebanon
17. Syrian Coalition Against the Death Penalty (SCODP)
18. Iraqi Coalition Against the Death Penalty
19. The Iraqi Alliance for Human Rights Organizations (includes 55 organizations)
20. The Arab Coalition against the Death Penalty (includes 9 coalitions in 8 countries)
21. Syrian Feminist Alliance to activate Security Council Resolution 1325
22. Yemeni Coalition Against the Death Penalty
23. Acting for change and democracy in Algeria (ACDA)
24. The Moroccan Front in Support of Palestine and Against Normalization (18 organizations)
25. Ibn Rushd Association for Development and Democracy / Iraq
26. The Jordan Society for Human Rights
27. Bahrain Human Rights Society
28. Baraem Association for Social Work/Lebanon
29. The Palestinian National Heritage Society in Lebanon
30. Civil Solidarity Association / Tunis
31. Lebanese Palestinian Communication Association
32. Tunisian Association for the Defense of Individual Liberties
33. Tunisian Association of Democratic Women
34. l'Association des tunisiens en France
35. Alrowwad Cultural and Arts Society- Aida refugee camp-Bethlehem - Palestine
36. Oak Society/Jordan
37. Working Women's Association/Jordan
38. Association of the International Cultural Network for Palestine
39. Palestinian Diaspora Association / Sweden
40. Palestinian Martyr Association / Lebanon
41. Palestinian Society for Social Communication Ajyal/Lebanon
42. Al-Quds Cultural and Social Association / Lebanon
43. Lebanese Association for Boycott Support
44. Lebanese Association of Democratic Jurists
45. Palestinian Working Woman Society for Development PWWSD”
46. Women’s Association for Women’s Development and Development/ Yemen
47. Association for the Development Center for Palestinian Women / Palestine
48. Moroccan Association in France
49. Moroccan Association for Human Rights
50. The Moroccan Association for Women Progressive
51. Moroccan Association for the Elimination of Violence against Women
52. University Cultural Forum Association / Lebanon
53. Association of the Economic and Social Forum for Women / Jordan
54. Mauritanian Association for the Promotion of Rights
55. Mauritanian Association for Human Rights
56. Arab Women Organization-Jordan
57. I am a Human Society for Rights of Persons with Disability
58. Rural Women Development Association / Palestine
59. Jothor Society for Human Rights-Jordan
60. Citizenship Bridges Association/Tunisia
61. Rasid Association for Human Rights/ Lebanon
62. Roaa Women Association-Jordan
63. Women's Network Society for Women Support/ Jordan
64. Chamoua Association for Equality/Morocco
65. Association of the Jordanian Women's Solidarity Institute
66. Orient Forum Association for Freedom and Peace
67. Amman Forum for Human Rights Association/Jordan
68. Women's Association for Jerusalem / Lebanon
69. Protecting human rights defenders around the Arab world/ France
70. The International Campaign to End the Siege on Yemen
71. Boycott campaign / Palestine
72. Tunisian League for Tolerance
73. The Algerian League for Defense Human Rights
74. Association of Women Heads of Families from Mauritania
75. Iraqi League for Human Rights Trainers
76. Freedom Pioneers for Integrity and Human Rights Training / Jordan
77. The Jordanian Network for Human Rights (includes 11 human rights organizations)
78. The Moroccan Democratic Network for Solidarity with the Peoples (includes 38 Commission)
79. The Arab Human Rights Trainers Network
80. Women’s Peace and Security Network (Yemen)
81. Volunteers Network for Development and Human Rights/Egypt
82. The Syrian National Network for Civil Peace and Community Safety.
83. Moroccan space for human rights
84. Filastiniyat / Palestine
85. Federation of Tunisians for citizenship between the two banks
86. The Syrian Federation of Human Rights Organizations and Bodies
87. Moroccan Federation for Human Rights
88. Committees for the Defense of Democratic Freedoms and Human Rights in Syria (LDH)
89. Work committees in the camps / Lebanon
90. Committee on Public Liberties and Human Rights / Palestinian Bar Association
91. Syrian Medical Committee/Paris
92. Arab Commission for Human Rights
93. The Kurdish Committee for Human Rights in Syria (Al Rased).
94. The Committee for the Respect of Freedoms and Human Rights in Tunisia
95. European initiative for the rights of Palestinian prisoners / the Netherlands
96. Palestinian Initiative to Deepen Global Dialogue and Democracy-MIFTAH
97. Egyptian Women Lawyers Initiative
98. World Council for Rights and Freedoms
99. Council on International Relations / Palestine
100. Lawyers for Justice / Yemen
101. Lawyers Without Borders/Yemen
102. Democratic School/Yemen
103. International Observatory for Documentation of Human Rights Violations/Argentina
104. The Arab Observatory for Human Rights and Citizenship/ Lebanon
105. French Observatory for Human Rights/Paris
106. Human Rights & Democracy Media Center “SHAMS”/ Palestine
107. Africa Center for Studies and Media Services / Mauritania
108. Bahrain Center Against Torture / Bahrain
109. Al-Badeel Center for Studies and Research/Jordan
110. Arab House Center for Research and Studies/Egypt
111. Women’s Studies Center/ Palestine
112. Center for the Defense of Freedoms and Civil Rights "Hurriyat" / Palestine
113. The Palestinian Center for the Independence of the Judiciary and Advocates "Musawa"
114. Palestinian Centre for Peace and Democracy PCPD
115. Phenix Center for Economics & Informatics Studies/Jordan
116. Center for International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights/Yemen
117. Jerusalem Center for Legal Aid and Human Rights/Palestine
118. Strategic Initiative Center Palestine/Malaysia
119. Women’s Center for Legal Aid and Counselling/Palestine
120. The Dutch Yemeni Center for the Defense of Rights and Freedoms
121. Jothor Center for Human Rights/Jordan
122. Human Rights Center for Memory and Archives/Morocco
123. Center for the Protection and Freedom of Journalists/ Jordan
124. Damascus Center for Theoretical and Civil Studies
125. Adalah Center for Human Rights Studies/Jordan
126. Amman Center for Human Rights Studies (ACHRS)
127. Eye of Humanity Center for Rights and Development / Yemen
128. Metro Center for Defending the Rights of Journalists/ Iraq
129. Scandinavian Institute of Human Rights/Geneva
130. International Institute for Peace, Justice and Human Rights/Geneva
131. Dialogue Forum for Development and Human Rights / Egypt
132. The Palestinian Democratic Forum in Europe
133. The Cultural and Legal Youth Forum at the Arab Observatory / Lebanon
134. Houran Forum for Citizenship/Syria
135. Economic and Social Forum for Women/Jordan
136. Bahrain Forum for Human Rights
137. Renewal Forum for Citizen and Democratic Thought / Tunisia
138. Sisters Arab Forum for Human Rights (Yemen)
139. Sudanese National Civil Forum(includes 54 civil society organizations) / Sudan
140. Moroccan Forum for Truth and Equity
141. Organization of Persons with Dual Disabilities/Yemen
142. African Organization for Human Rights Monitoring/Morocco
143. Libyan Academic Organization
144. The Tunisian Organization against Torture
145. Gender Studies and Information Organization / Iraq
146. Organization for the Defense of Prisoners of Conscience in Syria - Rawanga
147. International Organization for Human Rights and International Law / Norway
148. The Arab Organization for Human Rights in Syria
149. The Kurdish Organization for Human Rights in Syria (DAD)
150. Egyptian Organization for Human Rights
152. Yemeni Organization for Dialogue of Religions and Cultures
153. Yemeni Organization for Humanitarian Action / Yemen
154. Freedom House Organization to defend human rights and combat slavery and its remnants/ Mauritania
155. ORGANIZATION FOR FREEDOM OF MEDIAS AND EXPRESSION-OFME- HATIM / MOROCCO
156. Human Rights Organization in Syria- Maf
157. Desert Youth Organization for Development and Human Rights / Libya
158. Freedom Martyr Nabil Barakati Organization: Memory and Wafa/ Tunisia
159. Yemeni Organization for Defense Rights and Democratic Freedoms/Yemen
160. Al-Haq Foundation for Freedom of Opinion and Expression and Human Rights/Egypt
161. The Middle East Foundation for Development and Human Rights (Yemen)
162. Addameer Foundation for Human Rights/ Palestine
163. Addameer Foundation for Prisoners Care and Human Rights /Palestine
164. The Arab Foundation to support Civil Society and Human Rights/Egypt
165. The Egyptian Foundation for the Advancement of Childhood Conditions/Egypt
166. National Foundation to Combat Human Trafficking/Yemen
167. Youth Foundation for Community Development / Yemen
168. Future Partners Foundation for Development and Human Rights - Yemen
169. Mada Foundation for Human Rights / Iraq
170. The Coordination Committee for Yemeni NGOs for Children's Rights / Yemen
171. Moroccan Commission for Human Rights
172. The Moroccan Commission for the Support of the Nation's Issues