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**AL JAMA-AH condemns the Israeli aggression against Palestinians while praying at Al Aqsa Mosque**

The AL JAMA-AH party strongly condemns the brutal violence and atrocities committed against Palestinians by the apartheid Israeli settler regime.

Al Aqsa mosque is the third holiest place of Islam and revered by Muslims throughout the world. The attack on praying Palestinians in the holiest of month for Muslims is barbaric and attest to the cowardice of the oppressive Zionist regime.

Al Jama-ah condemns the atrocious behaviour of the Israeli regime in evicting Palestinians from their land. The latest calculated evictions of the Palestinians of Sheikh Al Jarrah attest to the continued criminal behaviour and agenda by the apartheid Israel to eliminate Palestinians.

These actions by the Israeli regime cannot be condoned and needs to be condemned by the world.

Al Jama-ah supports the right of all Palestinians and Muslims as having every right to defend Al Aqsa Mosque and all places of worship, and their land and property.

The Israeli's atrocities should be a painful reminder for South Africans of our own suffering during the brutal and inhumane system of apartheid. The Palestinian Christians, Jews and Muslims continue to be held captive in what is known as the world's biggest 'open-air' prison, Gaza where 80% of the population depend on humanitarian aid and the world only offers lip services.

Palestinians' land has been usurped and colonised, how different is their plight to the colonisation of South Africa and elsewhere? They are being denied their right to resist Israeli occupation and Israel is being allowed to break all international laws to continue their tirade against Palestinians.

Al Jama-ah calls on the South African government to:

- exert maximum pressure on Israel to stop all building of settlements.
- end diplomatic, cultural, political and economic ties with Israel to force them to stop the systematic genocide of the Palestinians.
- unconditionally release all Palestinian prisoners.
- lift the restrictive measures required on visas for Palestinians when travelling to South Africa.
- End the illegal occupation of Palestine.





Al Jama-ah calls on the world at large to unify and strongly condemn the atrocious, brutal and oppressive actions of the Israeli regime.

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