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## Al Jama-ah Stands Firm in Support of Dr. Imtiaz Sooliman:

Al Jama-ah strongly condemns the baseless accusations and defamatory attacks made against Dr. Imtiaz Sooliman. Dr Sooliman is a humanitarian who has proven himself over the three decades and more for having served the world's most vulnerable and most humiliated communities; this has been through his admirable leadership as the founding father of Gift of the Givers; the latter organization has become a trusted NGO across the globe and there is no shred of evidence that he employed this organization to do work that goes against its policies.

These attacks are nothing new; these have been carefully and calculatively crafted by the Zionists such as the South African Zionist Federation – a confirmed anti-Semitic outfit - that has been complicit with the devastating outcomes in Palestine and some of the neighbouring Arab states. These unsavoury characters always attempt to smear and discredit those voices and representatives that not only stand up for oppressed peoples but that dedicate their lives to serve them.

Since they suffered heavily over the past year (and more) at the hands of their inhumane Zionist occupiers that claim the so-called 'moral' high ground, the Palestinians illustrated that even as they were and continue to be callously bombarded that they placed their full trust in God Almighty. In a similar manner, Dr. Sooliman continued to place his complete trust in God; so, armed with this, he showed that he – over the decades - served several affected communities globally!

The entire Zionist regime and its support structures (the administrators, soldiers, and others) are complicit in carrying out acts of genocide; nay, a holocaust that their forebears encountered in Nazi Germany; it is even ironic that the current German government has been conspiring against the Palestinians by providing arms to the Zionist entity. It is our opinion that whosoever – like the Western European and American governments - argues in favour of the Zionists' barbarous onslaught and persistent massacre of the Palestinians (as well as the Lebanese) are equally guilty of 'a crime against humanity.'

These despicable, depraved Zionists, blatantly ignore the rights of others (such as Dr. Sooliman) and even Jewish groups that support justice. They have devised a set of despicable policies and heinous practices that have harmed our global village's communities; they have hoodwinked them employing the media (that they own)! They generate concocted narratives about just-loving individuals such as Dr. Sooliman.

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We recall what happened to Prof. Tariq Ramadan who was a respected Professor at prestige academic institutions. In the same contemptable manner, these swindlers wish to destroy and denigrate Dr. Sooliman or anyone who counters the Zionists voices publicly. Let us stand together and challenge these unpalatable narratives; and let us support all groups and forums that aid Social Justice projects and activities around the world.

"The Zionist regime and its supporters, like Lawrence Nowosenetz, have long engaged in character assassination against anyone advocating for justice in Palestine. Their questionable actions not only distort the truth, but they too serve as clever distractions from the Zionist's entity's systematic violence against the Palestinians: the indiscriminate bombing of medical institutions and educational structures, the callous murder of women and children, the deliberate starvation of millions who are homeless, and the targeting of UN workers that are providing essential services amidst this unacceptable conflict. These are all acts of terror and hence they should be called terrorists!" exclaims Advocate Shameemah Salie, Al Jama-ah's National Spokesperson.

Mr. Nowosenetz and his associates' attempt to slander and vilify Dr. Sooliman is simply another purposeful and sly Zionist attempt to silence voices of justice, compassion, and solidarity.

Al Jama-ah stands resolutely with Dr. Sooliman and we urge organisations such as the Helen Suzman Foundation not to succumb to Zionist pressures. None of us will be cowed by Zionist campaigns to discredit those working for peace and justice. Dr. Sooliman owes no explanation to anyone advocating violence and occupation, and all of us will continue to support his wonderful work around the globe.

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