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**Suppression of Palestinian Resistance and the Denial of the Right of Self-Determination**

As of 28 February 2023, 65 Palestinians have been killed by Israeli forces in Nablus, Jenin, Jericho, Jerusalem and other locations. Willful killings, arbitrary arrest and illegal imprisonment and other inhumane acts committed by Israel during raids on numerous Palestinian villages, cities, and refugee camps, violate the right to life, the right to resist and the right of self-determination of the Palestinian people as dictated by international humanitarian and human rights law.

These acts are part of wider systematic and illegal policies and practices aimed at silencing, punishing and suppressing legitimate Palestinian resistance against Israeli oppression. Further, these inhuman acts are committed to maintain and entrench Israeli colonial-apartheid domination and deny the right of self-determination of the Palestinian people.

Peremptory norms of international law, such as the right to self-determination and the prohibition and criminalization of apartheid, trigger both positive and negative obligations for third-party states.

Despite the extensive evidence that Israel is subjecting the Palestinian people to a system of colonization and apartheid, no international accountability measure has been implemented to date. To avoid complicity with Israel, the international community must end Israeli impunity, stop the assistance that maintains unlawful situations created by Israel, and impose sanctions to hold Israel accountable for its international crimes.