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Palestinian Forced Displacement via the Israeli Regime's Policy of Colonizer Attacks

President,

The direct and indirect forced displacement of the Palestinian people is a main pillar of the Israeli colonial-apartheid regime. A central policy to this pillar is colonizer violence. Backed and <u>armed</u> by the Israeli regime, colonizers <u>systematically attack</u> Palestinian communities, destroy farmland, steal livestock, and seize homes – contributing to the coercive environment.

Since October 2023, over <u>1,000 Palestinians</u> have been forcibly displaced due to colonizer violence and demolitions, while <u>52,000 dunums</u> of Palestinian land have been confiscated for colony expansion. Colonizer violence has reached the highest daily rate since 2006, with an average of more than three attacks per day. These attacks are not isolated or spontaneous: they are coordinated, politically sanctioned, and militarily protected with the intent to forcibly displace.

Sanctioning <u>individuals</u> who incite or perpetrate these attacks is not enough. While Gaza faces genocide, the West Bank is being ethnically cleansed. Forcible transfer is a grave breach of international law, regardless of whether it is carried out by direct force or the creation of a coercive environment. States must move beyond symbolic gestures and impose full sanctions—including arms embargoes—on the Israeli regime.

Thank you