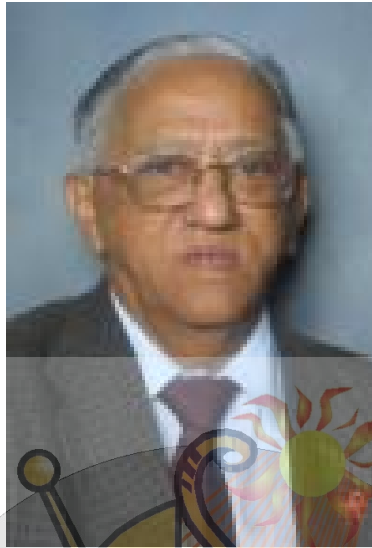


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MESSAGE OF SOLIDARITY WITH THE RIGHTOUS CAUSE OF THE PALESTINIAN  
PEOPLE AND OUTRIGHT CONDEMNATION OF THE GENOCIDAL ACTION OF ISRAEL.

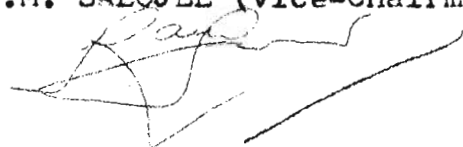
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TASC joins with all concerned and oppressed peoples in condemning the the continued occupation of Palestinian land; denial of popular self-determination and the pre-meditated extermination of all legitimate opposition to the Zionist grand-design of conquest and subjugation. Equally to blame are the forces of support, deceit and encouragement by Western Imperialist and expansionist interests. The puppet regimes in the region, who have allowed this massacre to endure have much to answer to the cause of justice and freedom. Their brows too are soiled with the blood, tears and anguish of the killed, martyred, maimed, orphaned and widowed.

The Hitlerian experience does not give the Jewish marauders the right to ride roughshod over the basic rights of territorial integrity, protection of innocent life and liberty; the crudity and impunity of the invasion of Lebanon, makes their cause no less reprehensible than Nazism.

Within South Africa, total silence by the state, perceptible bias in favour of Israel by the media, clearly shows that in times of crunch, the political and economic vested interests within the ruling classes have common bonds in maintaining the status quo; and in this there is a profound lesson for us and much to ponder upon. Only the unity of purpose and strength of direction, leading to solidarity and commitment within the ranks of the deprived and dispossessed can we hope to achieve freedom and liberation. In essence the struggle of the Palestinian People is the ongoing struggle of all the oppressed peoples of the world. In our pledge of solidarity we give content and meaning to our own situation in South Africa. Ultimate victory to the people of Palestine and we share shoulder to shoulder their griefs, their courage and their sacrifices.

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ICSA PLEDGES ITS SUPPORT AND SOLIDARITY WITH ALL THOSE WHO SHARE WITH THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE, THEIR AGONY AND THEIR OPPRESSION AT THE HANDS OF THE ZIONIST FORCES.

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The so-called civilised Western World, and in particular the United States of America, supports, arms, encourages and protects the country, which is led by the architect that destroyed the soul and life of a peaceful village - DEIR YASSIN. That the villains that perpetrated this gruesome act of total massacre of innocent people can wail about terrorism and get the support of the Imperialist world is contemptible beyond redemption.

The dispossession of land, liberty and freedom for the Palestinians is a thrust and a dagger at the Muslim Ummah's heart. Jerusalem is one of the chambers of the heart of Islam and the safety and security of its functional health is the very life-source of Islam as a force for righteousness, justice and dignity. As long as the sacred soil on which the Mosque of AQSA stands is in alien hands, so long must the armies of Islam be geared to free it from its enemies. Thus the cause of the Palestinian People is the cause of Islam.

The present impotency of the Muslim World to stand united and determined to protect ISLAM from the destructive ideological machinations of all its foes, has resulted in the capitulation of our faith and responsibility towards ALLAH. Our salvation does not lie in begging bowels for support from those who are the avowed enemies of Islam, but it lies in our intrinsic capacity to respond to the call of Islam. A call and a response that lifted mankind from the dungeons of ignorance to the light knowing and respectability, over 14 centuries ago. If we return to the spirit of Islam and hold fast to the rope of Islam, then to win back our heritage on the soil of Palestine will

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become a living reality. The vivid reality that the Arab Peoples had surrendered their Islamic legacy and are now floundering in the quicksand of foreign norms, alliances and surrogate pacts, has reduced themselves to paper-tigers, whereby their whimperings and weak reactions have made them the laughing stocks of the world. Jerky efforts at uncooked plans and submissive accords merely help to tighten the noose of manipulation and subjugation further. The fact that their blusterings and blunderings have merely whetted the appetite of the Zionists and their collaborators to further expand their power and control over the whole region, further enslaves the Muslims and destroys the inheritance of Islam.

WE HOPE AND PRAY THAT FROM THE ASHES AND ANGUISH OF THE PALESTINIAN EXPERIENCE WILL ARISE AND AWAKEN OUR COMMITMENT TO ISLAM, AND RESTORE TO SUFFERING HUMANITY THE DETERMINATION TO ESTABLISH SOCIAL JUSTICE, DIGNITY AND FAITH IN THE ALMIGHTY ALLAH. ONLY THEN WILL THE PALESTINES OF THE WORLD BE FREE.

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