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Following are the most important recommendations and proposals that came out of the dialogue forum,

**Entitled “Speculations around the lawsuit filed by the State of South Africa against the occupying state before the International Court of Justice,” which was held at a joint initiative between the PLO Anti-Apartheid Department and the Palestinian Bar Association on 1/21/2024**

- 1- Make a major Palestinian effort at the diplomatic level to call on countries to practically join the case before the ICJ so that they become a party alongside the State of South Africa, and not just express support. This is to strengthen the argument before the court in the case pending before it.
- 2- Calling on Arab and Islamic countries to ratify and join the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court ICC, by calling on the parliaments in those countries to initiate accession procedures.
- 3- The Secretary-General of the United Nations should request Switzerland to convene an international conference of the High Contracting State Parties to the 1949 Geneva Conventions to oblige the occupying state to respect and implement those conventions in the occupied Palestinian territories
- 4- Call on Arab and Islamic countries to include international crimes stated in the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and other international agreements in their national penal legislations and to recognize the principle of universal jurisdiction
- 5- Initiate a legal battle over labeling the occupying state as an apartheid state, in Arab, Islamic, and international parliaments, then through the International Human Rights Council and finally obtain a resolution from the United Nations General Assembly labeling the occupying state as an apartheid state
- 6- Emphasis on reviving the United Nations Committee to Combat Apartheid. We had already sent a letter in this regard, on 6/6/2023, especially since the brothers in South Africa are ready to support and adopt the Palestinian action in this field



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- 7- Call on the Secretary-General of the United Nations to include the Israeli occupation army on the list of human rights violators in international armed conflicts.
- 8- Call on the UN Security Council to issue a resolution obliging the occupying state to return all seized cultural and religious property and hold it subject to individual international criminal responsibility.
- 9- -Exploit the historic opportunity for the occupying state to appear before the International Court of Justice on charges of committing the crime of genocide, at the regional and international level, especially the EU countries and all countries that are friendly and supportive of the Palestinian cause, to isolate the occupying state and impose sanctions and boycott on it, politically, economically, and diplomatically, regardless of the nature of the ICJ decision
- 10- The necessity of documenting the crimes committed by the occupying state against the Palestinian people, because of its importance in the lawsuits that will be filed in the future before the international judiciary to hold the occupying state accountable and to prosecute the Israeli war criminals.
- 11- Request guarantees that the Israeli occupation will not repeat the crime of genocide, such as the need to change the system of laws and legislation that led to the commission of the crime
- 12- Work to force the Israeli occupation state to make reparation for the damage, which includes compensation, in addition to apologizing and commemorating our martyrs.
- 13- Pressure the International Criminal Court to open an investigation into war crimes, crimes against humanity, and genocide committed by the occupying state against the Palestinian people.
- 14- If the occupying state refuses to implement the urgent interim ruling of the International Court of Justice, to stop the aggression, bring in aid, and open the crossings, approach the United Nations General Assembly and demand that it suspends the membership of the occupying state in all UN committees and bodies, and then impose sanctions on it under the concept of (Obligations Erga Omnes)for the states when the occupying state refuses to implement its international obligations.