

Petition to the Government of Canada

WHEREAS:

- Whereas over 35,000 Gazans, mainly children, plus thousands buried under rubble, have been killed by the Israeli invasion of Gaza;
- Whereas the world is watching the Gazan people being starved to death;
- Whereas the UN Secretary General has declared that Gaza has “the highest number of people facing catastrophic hunger ever recorded”;
- Whereas the famine in Gaza is Israeli-made and leaves us complicit in a genocidal act if we do nothing to prevent it;
- Whereas only humanitarian aid brought in by road can ensure the quantities of food, water and essential medicines to keep Gazans alive;
- Whereas there is no lack of available aid because hundreds of trucks are lined up at the Gaza border;
- Whereas collective punishment is a crime against humanity and starving a population is an act of genocide;
- Whereas no evidence has been provided to the investigating UN Panel showing any major infiltration of Hamas involvement into the workforce of UNRWA; and
- Whereas UNRWA alone has the resources and competence to be the main distributor of aid in Gaza.

We, the undersigned, **concerned citizens of Canada**, call upon the **Government of Canada** to:

1. Urgently persevere in promoting a prolonged mutual cease fire;
2. Demand that the government of Israel take its legal responsibility, as an occupying power, to provide unfettered access to humanitarian aid to Gazans and to protect humanitarian workers distributing this aid;
3. Support the international protection, promotion and funding of the important work of UNRWA in providing life-saving humanitarian aid to Gazan civilians; and
4. Support the establishment of a humanitarian corridor protected by an international police force that can ensure daily, unhindered, supplies of food, water and medicines to Gazans, and that can protect humanitarian workers delivering them and Gazan civilians accessing them.

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