



The International March to Jerusalem GMJ - 30th March 2012. The Idea, Goals , Structure and mechanism of actions.

The Concept and Objectives:

The historic day, 30th March in the Palestinian national memory marks the Day of the Land*. This year our aim is to mark it as an international event to demonstrate solidarity with Palestinians and to protect Jerusalem. This will be achieved by organizing an international march to Jerusalem or to the nearest point to it. The march will demand freedom for Jerusalem and its people and to put an end to the Apartheid, ethnic cleansing and Judaisation policies affecting people, land and the sacredness of Jerusalem.

By organising the March, the proceeding and parallel activities we aim to highlight the cause of Jerusalem (City of Peace) which is considered as the key for peace and war in the region and the world. The march will confirm that the policies and practices of the racist Zionist state of Israel against Jerusalem and its people is a crime not only against Palestinians but against all humanity.

The march will unite the efforts of the Muslim and Arab nations together with the Free people of the world to put an end to Israel's disregard for the international laws through continuing the occupation of Jerusalem and the rest of Palestine land.

We aim to make this march a turning point in the nature of confrontation with the occupation having to face millions of protesters and demonstrators demanding Freedom for Palestine and it's capital Jerusalem. We will make it a true addition effort towards ending the occupation through peaceful national movements inspired firstly by the support of God and secondly by the justice of our cause, and thirdly by the spirit of the Arab spring revolutions and the determination of young people who were able to overthrow the dictatorships. Especially now that the nations have realized the magical effect of people's will that can make the impossible possible. The leading slogan, "the people want," has proved to be more effective than armies and weapons.

The structure and who is behind this project?

To achieve all the above the idea was turned into action by forming an international Central Committee (ICC) responsible for this march. The committee constitutes of 35 members representing the five continents. An Executive Committee (EC) for the GMJ will emerge From the International Central Committee, and will consist of 13 members. National committees in most countries of the world will be formed to follow-up and to coordinate the actions

and events at national level. These national committees will include representatives of all backgrounds and organisations working for Palestine and Jerusalem from amongst Muslims, liberals, media, religious, social, professional and human rights symbols.

There is at least 100 international key figures worldwide adopting the idea, supporting and signing a document of principles governing the international march to Jerusalem. This document was adopted at the founding meeting in Amman on 12th of December 2011. Among those prominent well known figures who sign the document of principle an Advisory Board will be formed. The names of the Advisory Board along with all organisations supporting th GMJ will be announced in all literature to emphasize the international support for the march.

How will the march towards Jerusalem take place?

1. Massive marches will be organised in neighbouring countries to Palestine (Jordan, Egypt, Syria and Lebanon) towards Jerusalem or to the nearest point possible according to the circumstances of each country and in coordination between all national and Islamic participants from amongst parties and other institutions of civil societies taking part in the march and in Coordination with official and national bodies concerned. These marches compose mainly of the people of each country and thousands of International solidarity participants traveling to these countries specifically to join the marches.
2. Massive marches organized in Palestine (the occupied territories of 48, West bank and the Gaza strip) towards Jerusalem or to the nearest point to it. Palestinian people from all factions and institutions will participate alongside international solidarity activists who are able to enter Palestine. on that day, Friday 30th of March 2012, Hundreds of thousands of Palestinians from across all of historic occupied Palestine, expected to march towards Jerusalem to pray in the Al-Aqsa Masjid, the Dome of the Rock & the Church of the Holy Sepulcher. And as the Palestinians march from every village, town & city - the people of the world will be standing on the borders, trying to march to Jerusalem.
3. Mass protests to be organised in front of Israeli embassies in the capitals of different countries .
4. Mass demonstrations and protests to be organised in the main public squares in the big cities of the world, including the Arab and Muslim capitals and large cities initiating from the main mosques and churches in each city.

* Palestine Land Day – a day celebrated by Palestinians on the 30th of March each year. The event marks the events of March 1976 after the Israeli authorities confiscated thousands of dunums of private and public land in areas with absolute majority of Palestinians, especially in the Galilee. Following these events the Arab masses inside Palestine declared a general strike confronting the Israeli authorities for the first time since the occupation of Palestine in 1948. The Israeli response was militant and violent as the Israeli troops backed up by tanks entered Palestinian villages and reoccupied them causing a number of martyrs and many wounded and detainees among the civilians.