

## **Organization for Defending Victims of Violence**

### **Item 7: General Debate**

#### **Human Rights Violations in OPT**



#### **Mr. President,**

One of the great achievements of the United Nations was decolonization, however, the great international organization has not terminated the long-standing Occupation of Palestinian Territories yet. Since 1967, Israel has forcibly evicted and displaced entire communities and demolished more than 50,000 Palestinian homes and structures in the OPT. The main challenges facing the inhabitants of OPT has been:

- Settlement building and forced migration of individuals.
- Violation of right to self-determination by full control of natural resources.
- Violation of the right to private ownership and access to land.

#### **Mr. President,**

- ODVV deems the resistance towards settlement building in the occupied territories requires a global approach, and calls upon the international human rights law institutions to put an end to their silence by deeming illegal settlement building as a war crime.
- ODVV draws the attention of the international community to the blockade and targeted borders in the occupied territories, calls for efforts to be made towards the removal of these restrictions so that people of Palestine can enjoy their basic human rights.
- ODVV calls on Israel as an occupation force to be committed to its commitments in the occupied territories, immediately and fully halt settlement construction in the OPT and stop the spread of discriminatory policies based on violence.
- Because of the high and frequent violation of the human rights by Israel, ODVV strongly request the UN and HRC to strengthen the mechanism of protecting the human right for the Palestinian including the item 7 of HRC.

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