

SOLIDARITY VIGIL WITH THE GLOBAL MARCH TO JERUSALEM

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A Global March to Jerusalem, an international event organized in solidarity with the Palestinian people and for the protection of Jerusalem, will reach Jerusalem on March 30th, 2012. March 30th marks Land Day in Palestine.

Palestine Land Day – a day celebrated by Palestinians on March 30th each year. The event marks the events of March, 1976, after the Israeli authorities confiscated thousands of dunums of private and public land in majority Palestinian areas, 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 extremely violent, as the Israeli troops, backed by tanks, entered Palestinian villages and reoccupied them, causing a number of martyrs and many wounded and detainees among the civilians.

By organising the March to Jerusalem and its preceding and parallel activities the organizers of the March aim to highlight the cause of Jerusalem (the City of Peace) which is considered the key to peace in the region and the world. The March will unite the efforts of Palestinians, Arabs, Muslims, Christians, Jews, and all citizens of conscience in the world to put an end to Israel's disregard for international law by way of its policies of apartheid, ethnic cleansing and Judaization both in Jerusalem and in the rest of the occupied Palestinian lands. It is the belief of those who have organized the Global March to Jerusalem that the massive participation in the March by the various peoples of the world is an efficient and non-violent means to put an end to the occupation of Palestine including Jerusalem.

In support of the Global March to Jerusalem, Palestinian and Jewish Unity will hold its weekly Friday vigil on March 30th, 2012 in front of the Israeli Consulate at Westmount Square on Greene Avenue starting at twelve noon. We invite all groups and individuals who wish to express their solidarity with the Palestinian and international quest for justice to join us on Friday, March 30th.

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