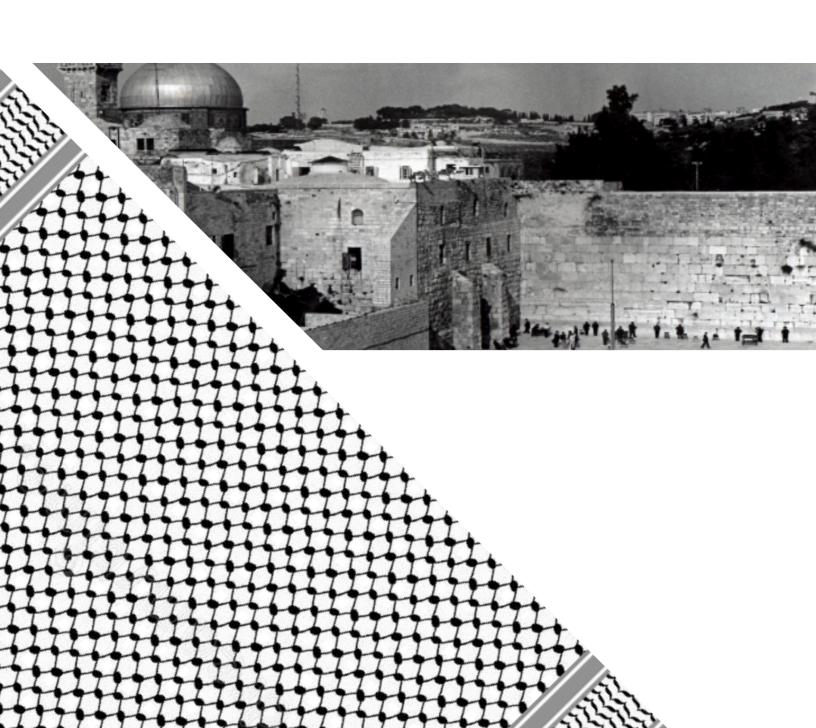


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FOR EMPLOYEES







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This guide aims to provide employees with comprehensive information, strategies and resources to engage thoughtfully and effectively in advocating for Palestinian causes within their workplace.

As advocates for social justice and human rights, it is crucial to recognize the significance of advocating for Palestinian issues amidst the ongoing challenges faced by our brothers and sisters in Gaza. By understanding the historical context, current realities, and the impact of advocacy, we can contribute to a more informed and compassionate workplace environment that values diversity, equity, and solidarity with global humanitarian causes.

SECTION 1: UNDERSTANDING PALESTINIAN ISSUES

1.1. SIGNIFICANCE OF PALESTINE IN ISLAMIC TRADITION

Palestine stands as a cherished nation within Islamic history, revered for its immense significance to Muslims. This importance is rooted in multifaceted reasons that resonate deeply within Islamic teachings and scripture.

Foremost among these reasons is the explicit mention of Palestine in the Quran as the "Holy Land" and the "Blessed Land." Allah designates its significance in Surah Al-Ma'idah (5:21), emphasizing the divine allocation of this land to the people: "O my people, enter the Holy Land which Allah has assigned to you and do not turn back (from fighting in Allah's cause) for then you will be returned as losers."

This sacred land served as the home to numerous revered Prophets, including Ibrahim, Ishaq, Dawud,



Yaqub, Sulayman, Zakariya, Yahya, Isa, and other esteemed companions. The significance is further magnified by the presence of Masjid al-Aqsa, one of Islam's Sacred Masjids and the third holiest site in Islam. It was the initial Qibla, the direction of prayer, for Muslims.

Masjid al-Aqsa's sanctity is entrenched in Islamic belief and prophecy, with references in Sahih Muslim indicating its future significance during the times of Isa, the son of Maryam (AS), and the defeat of Dajjal, the anti-Christ. Additionally, Palestine holds profound significance as the site of the miraculous Night Journey of Prophet Muhammad (ﷺ), as explicitly mentioned in Surah al-Israa (17:1).

This historical and spiritual tapestry interwoven with the significance of Palestine within Islam accentuates its deeply cherished position among Muslims worldwide. The rich religious heritage, the pivotal role in prophetic narratives, and the promise of future events underscore its profound importance, fostering a deep connection and sense of responsibility among Muslims towards the land and its people.



1.2. GEOPOLITICAL CONTEXT

The contemporary geopolitical landscape surrounding Palestine is a tapestry woven with historical narratives, territorial claims, and the enduring struggle for self-determination, all rooted in Palestine's profound historic right to its land. Spanning generations, Palestine's claim to its land encompasses not only legal entitlements but also deep emotional, religious and cultural connections to its territory. The inherent right of Palestinians to return to their ancestral lands, acknowledged under international law, stands as a testament to the longing and entitlement tied to their heritage.

Amidst these assertions, the guest for self-determination and statehood for Palestinians remains an unresolved and poignant struggle. This journey is further marred by limitations such as the freedom of movement (including the right to return) imposed by the Israel Occupation and Defence Forces within Palestine, which severely constrains economic development and the basic rights of its people.

Further complicating this landscape are Israeli settlements established within the occupied territories of Palestine. The ongoing construction of these settlements, coupled with land confiscations and the implementation of a separation barrier, raise substantial concerns regarding human rights violations and pose great obstacles to the creation of a viable and independent Palestinian state.

Additionally, Israel, as an occupying power, bears responsibilities mandated by international bodies such as the United Nations. The continued occupation of the West Bank and East Jerusalem stands as a stark reminder of the persistent struggles endured by Palestinians in asserting their right to self-determination and statehood.

1.3. CHALLENGES FACED BY PALESTINIANS

Palestinians endure a multitude of challenges stemming from the ongoing occupation, marked by various violations perpetrated by Israel as an occupying power. These violations encompass illegal settlements, the blockade of Gaza, frequent raids and attacks, and the disruptive imposition of motion and travel restrictions, administered through an intricate web of checkpoints and administrative hurdles.

The situation in Gaza epitomizes the dire consequences of these actions. The severe economic hardships, compounded by high unemployment rates and inadequate infrastructure, perpetuate a humanitarian crisis. The blockade severely limits access to resources essential for a dignified life, impeding Palestinians' access to sufficient water, education, healthcare, and other fundamental necessities.



In the West Bank, Palestinians encounter daily hurdles that impede their basic rights and freedoms. The proliferation of illegal settlements and seizures represents a clear violation of international law and ethical norms, resulting in the unlawful confiscation of Palestinian land. Further, the presence of checkpoints and frequent administrative hurdles not only disrupts the flow of daily life but also serves as a constant reminder of the restrictions imposed upon the Palestinian people. These actions, together with the systemic disregard for Palestinian rights, coupled with the apartheid-like conditions and frequent violations of international law, exacerbate the already challenging circumstances faced by Palestinians living under occupation. These continuous infringements on basic human rights perpetuate a cycle of adversity further perpetuating the injustices faced by the Palestinians.



1.4. THE IMPORTANCE OF SPEAKING UP

The Palestinian cause transcends religious boundaries, calling for universal support against ongoing injustices. As indicated above, Israel, as the occupying power, neglects its obligations to ensure the basic rights of Palestinians, leading to allegations of apartheid and persecution by various human rights organizations. These violations stem from unjust Israeli laws and policies exerting control over Palestinians through segregation, movement restrictions, land confiscation, demolitions, and discriminatory residency measures. Additionally, Israel's actions, such as expanding illegal settlements and imposing collective punishment, breach international laws and UN resolutions.

As Canadians, it's imperative to hold our government accountable for decisions that directly impact Palestinian human rights. Canada's consistent voting patterns on UN resolutions and its arms exports to Israel wield significant influence, directly affecting the lives of Palestinians. Moreover, the Canada-Israel Free Trade Agreement inadvertently supports illegal settlement expansion while undermining the very fabric of Palestinian identity. Parliamentary condemnations of the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions (BDS) movement—seen as a peaceful means of holding Israel accountable for its actions—pose challenges to advocates for Palestinian rights in Canada, potentially exposing them to anti-Palestinian racism or Islamophobia.

This accountability landscape within Canada regarding the BDS movement saw a notable instance in February 2016. Canada's Parliament passed a motion urging the government to condemn specific groups and individuals associated with BDS within the country. However, it's crucial to clarify that this motion, despite its political significance, does not carry the weight of an official law or regulation that restricts or prohibits the activities of the BDS movement or its affiliates in Canada. The information provided by the Palestinian Human Rights Advocates underscores this event's relevance in Canada's political realm while emphasizing that it does not establish a legal ban or constrain the activities of the BDS movement within the nation.

Section 2: EFFECTIVE ADVOCACY STRATEGIES AND WORKPLACE CONDUCT

2.1. EDUCATION

To effectively advocate for Palestinian causes, it is crucial to access reliable, diverse and comprehensive resources that shed light on the historical, social, and political aspects of the Palestinian issues. Some of these resources include but are not limited to the following:

- Harvard Centre for Middle Eastern Studies Readings and Digital Resources on Palestine (https://cmes.fas.harvard.edu/news/readings-and-digital-resources-palestine)
- National Council of Canadian Muslims Palestine Central (https://www.palestinecentral.ca/)
- Truth About Palestine (https://truthaboutpalestine.com/)
- Canadians for Justice and Peace in the Middle East 2022 Report on Anti-Palestinian Racism in Canada (https://www.cipme.org/apr_report_2022)
- The Legal Centre for Palestine (https://www.lcpal.ca/)
- Al-Jazeera "What's the Israel-Palestine conflict about? A simple guide" (https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2023/10/9/whats-the-israel-palestine-conflict-about-a-simple-guide)







The aforementioned list of valuable resources aim to enrich your knowledge and facilitate meaningful dialogue on the current state of affairs in Palestine. For a comprehensive collection of organized documents and additional resources for further exploration on this issue, please also visit pages 5 and 6 of Student Guide On Palestinian Advocacy.

Furthermore, numerous reputable organizations and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) offer valuable resources, campaigns, and initiatives aimed at advocating for justice, equality and human rights for Palestinians. They are also actively engaged in supporting Palestinian rights and providing humanitarian aid, some of which include but are not limited to the following:

- Islamic Relief Canada: https://www.islamicreliefcanada.org/
- Action for Humanity: https://actionforhumanity.org
- U.N.R.W.A: https://www.unrwa.org/
- Baitul Maal: https://baitulmaal.org/
- Medical Aid for Palestinians: https://www.map.org.uk/
- Palestine Children's Relief Fund: https://www.pcrf.net/

2.2. TAKING ADVOCACY ACTION

Advocacy extends beyond discussions. Voice your concerns by utilizing advocacy tools by writing to policymakers, engaging local representatives, signing relevant petitions, and organizing educational events to promote awareness and engagement. Below are a few examples of petitions/emails that you can partake in:

- Contact your local representatives your MP, MPP, and Mayor and urge them to advocate for a ceasefire. Your call matters, and as a constituent, your voice holds weight.
- House of Commons in Parliament Petition Calling on Canada to Sanction Israel (Petitione-4661: https://www.ourcommons.ca/petitions/en/Petition/Details?Petition=e-4661). Your participation helps amplify the call for peace in Palestine.

2.3. Navigating Advocacy at Work and Identifying Engagement Moments

Recent instances involving employees' social media posts about Palestine have led to disciplinary actions or terminations by employers, prompting inquiries into the boundaries between personal expression and workplace conduct. Ontario lawyers note that while employees retain the right to private expression, employers may intervene if it significantly damages the company's reputation or involves discriminatory content. Understanding these boundaries is crucial. Uphold a positive environment by conveying views respectfully, adhering to workplace conduct guidelines, and fostering respectful dialogue, both online and in-person.

Further, recognize crucial moments for engagement, particularly when there's a lack of recognition for Palestinian grief while acknowledging Israeli/Jewish grief. Additionally, identify situations where Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion communications solely sympathize with Israel without acknowledging Palestine. Engage thoughtfully in these instances, acknowledging unaddressed personal pain, coping with distressing workplace communications, or encountering discrimination based on perspectives, regional ties, or religious affiliations. For further steps, refer to the "Employee Support Document" (Employee Support Doc.pdf) to effectively address workplace issues related to Palestine.







See CityNews Article: "Lawyers say Canadians facing discipline at work over social media posts on Israel-Hamas war" dated 11.09.2023 (https://vancouver.citynews.ca/2023/11/09/lawyers-canadians-discipline-work-social-media-posts-israel-hamas-war/#:~:text=Some%20lawyers%20tell%20CityNews%2C%20that.discussions%20on%20freedom%20of%20speech.) See The Maple Article: "A List Of Some People In Canada Fired For Pro-Palestine Views" dated 11.10.2023 (https://www.readthemaple.com/a-list-of-some-people-in-canada-fired-for-pro-palestine-views/)

2.4 - Understanding Workplace Policies

Understand both your company's social media policies and broader workplace conduct guidelines. It's crucial to familiarize yourself with these policies to determine what can be publicly shared, ensuring that discussions, especially on sensitive topics like Palestine, follow a respectful, inclusive, and non-discriminatory approach. In today's digital age, social media serves as a powerful advocacy tool. Advocating for Palestine requires conveying views respectfully and factually, devoid of hate or discrimination. Both in the workplace and online, maintain a positive environment by following workplace conduct guidelines, promoting respectful dialogue, and fostering inclusivity.

2.5. CULTIVATING RESPECTFUL DIALOGUE

Foster a workplace environment that values diverse opinions and encourages inclusive, respectful discussions. Embrace guidelines for maintaining civility, avoiding stereotypes, and acknowledging different viewpoints in the workplace. Engage in constructive conversations rather than heated debates or confrontations. Be open to listening to others' perspectives while advocating for Palestinian causes. Sensitivity to differing opinions within the workplace fosters respectful dialogue.

2.6. CONTEXT AND IMPACT

Consider the potential impact of social media posts and personal opinions on the workplace and the broader community. Advocacy efforts should aim to express views respectfully, factually, and without promoting hate or discrimination.

2.7 - Professionalism and Boundaries

Differentiate personal opinions from company representation. Engage in constructive conversations, anticipate the impact of public statements, seek guidance from company resources when uncertain, and maintain professionalism without disrupting work dynamics. If necessary, make it clear that any expressed views are personal and not endorsed by the employer.

2.8 - HANDLING REPERCUSSIONS

Be mindful that public statements or social media posts may have consequences. Evaluate potential impacts on professional relationships, job security, and the company's reputation before posting.

2.9 - SEEKING GUIDANCE

Seek advice from human resources or legal departments within the company when unsure about expressing certain views publicly or faced with disciplinary actions related to off-duty conduct.





Section 3: AVOIDING PITFALLS IN ADVOCACY

Advocacy for Palestine demands thoughtful consideration and responsible communication, particularly within the workplace. While promoting the Palestinian cause is significant, maintaining professionalism, respect, and sensitivity is equally crucial within the workplace environment. Here are essential points to prevent potential conflicts or issues while advocating for the Palestinian cause:

3.1 - Inciting Hate

Avoid statements, posts, or actions that promote hatred, animosity, or discrimination against any group, including those holding different viewpoints on the Palestinian issue. Refrain from sharing or endorsing content that incites violence or fuels hatred towards any community or individuals.

3.2 - RASH UNTHOUGHTFUL STATEMENTS

Take time to gather facts, understand perspectives, and consider the implications of your statements before expressing opinions. Avoid impulsive or emotionally charged remarks that may escalate tensions or create misunderstandings within the workplace.

3.3 - Personal Public Commentary

Exercise caution with personal commentary in public spaces, especially on social media platforms, where your statements might be perceived as representing your employer's views. Refrain from making overly personal or aggressive comments that could reflect poorly on yourself or your organization.

3.4 - Maintain Professionalism

Remember to maintain professionalism and respect towards colleagues, regardless of differing opinions on the Palestinian cause. Avoid discussing the conflict in a manner that disrupts the workplace or creates discomfort for other employees.

3.5 - COMPLIANCE WITH WORKPLACE POLICIES

Adhere to company policies, codes of conduct, and guidelines related to expressing personal opinions or engaging in social and political discussions within the workplace. Ensure that your advocacy aligns with the values and principles upheld by your organization,

3.6 - THOUGHTFUL ENGAGEMENT

Engage in constructive dialogue while being open to diverse viewpoints without dismissing or devaluing others' perspectives. Be mindful of the impact your words or actions may have on the workplace environment and foster an atmosphere of mutual respect and understanding.

3.7 - Consideration of Consequences

Consider the potential consequences of your advocacy, both for yourself and your employer. Recognize that certain expressions may lead to conflicts or controversies within the workplace.

3.8 - Avoiding Offensive Language or Imagery

Refrain from using offensive language or sharing imagery that could be perceived as disrespectful, derogatory, or offensive to any individual, group, or community



SECTION 4: ADDRESSING ADVERSITY

Advocating for sensitive causes can result in workplace harassment or targeting. Act promptly and effectively to address any such incidents. Use available resources to ensure a safe and respectful workplace while supporting the Palestinian cause. Here are guidelines to help navigate such situations:

4.1 - SEEK RESOURCES AND SUPPORT

Connect with available resources, such as HR, Employee Assistance Programs (EAP), or external support groups within or outside the workplace. Consider reaching out to advocacy organizations or legal support networks specializing in human rights or workplace discrimination.

4.2 - GATHER EVIDENCE

Document incidents of harassment or targeting. Collect any written records, emails, screenshots of online interactions, or witness statements supporting your case. Keep a detailed record of dates, times, descriptions of the incidents, and involved individuals.

Islamophobia incidents can be reported here:

- Canadian Muslim Public Affairs Council https://canadianmuslimpac.ca/documenting-islamophobia/
- National Council of Canadian Muslims https://www.nccm.ca/programs/incident-report-form/
- Canadians for Justice and Peace in the Middle East https://www.cipme.org/accountability

4.3 - REPORT TO APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES

Follow your company's established reporting procedures for harassment or discrimination incidents. Report the incidents to HR, management, or designated authorities within the organization. Ensure that your report is thorough and includes all relevant evidence to support your case.

4.4 - Maintain Confidentiality and Safety

Prioritize your safety and well-being. If you feel threatened or unsafe, seek immediate assistance from security personnel or law enforcement. Be cautious about sharing information with individuals who may exacerbate the situation.

4.5 - EXTERNAL REPORTING AND LEGAL OPTIONS

If internal reporting does not lead to a resolution or if the situation escalates, consider seeking legal advice from employment lawyers or human rights organizations. Explore options for lodging formal complaints with external bodies such as human rights tribunals or labor boards, if necessary.







Explore organizations that are active in supporting Palestinian human rights advocates and activists in Canada such as those listed below:

- Canadian Muslim Public Affairs Council (CMPAC) https://www.canadianmuslimpac.ca/
- Muslim Legal Support Center (MLSC) https://muslimlegalcentre.ca/
- Arab Canadian Lawyers Association (ACLA) https://www.canarablaw.org/
- The Legal Centre for Palestine https://www.lcpal.ca/
- Canadian Muslim Lawyers Association (CMLA) https://www.cmla-acam.ca/
- National Council of Canadian Muslims (NCCM) https://www.nccm.ca/

4.6 - SELF-CARE AND SUPPORT

Prioritize self-care and seek emotional support from friends, family, or counselling services if dealing with stress or emotional distress due to harassment (Ruh Care - Palestine Mental Health Response: http://www.ruhcare.com). Surround yourself with supportive colleagues or allies who understand the situation and can offer guidance or solidarity.

4.7 - DOCUMENT FOLLOW-UP ACTIONS

Keep a record of any actions taken by the employer in response to your report. Document meetings, discussions, or resolutions offered by the company.

4.8 - STAY INFORMED AND ENGAGE ALLIES

Stay informed about your rights as an employee and any updates related to workplace policies concerning advocacy and harassment. Engage allies or support groups advocating for similar causes to share experiences, gather advice, and mobilize collective action if necessary.

CONCLUSION

Advocating for Palestinian causes is not merely an act of solidarity; it is a commitment to standing up for human rights, justice, and equality. Every voice, every action contributes to raising awareness and making a difference in addressing the challenges faced by the Palestinian: it is an acknowledgement of our collective responsibility to stand for what is just and humane.

This commitment calls for continuous learning, engagement and active participation. Stay informed, initiate discussions, and actively contribute to initiatives promoting justice and positive change for the people of Palestine. It is through these ongoing efforts that we can amplify our impact and create a workplace culture that embraces diversity, equality, inclusion, and the pursuit of social justice for all.

May Allah SWT guide our efforts, bless our intentions, and make our actions a beacon of justice. May He safeguard our means of sustenance, grant us opportunities to advocate, and protect our income as we strive to stand for justice. Ameen.





DISCLAIMER

This guide, along with its appendix herein, aims to offer insights into the current challenges linked to the humanitarian crisis in Palestine affecting the workplace and provides information on employees' rights in Ontario. The contents within this document are presented solely for informational purposes and should not be considered as professional or legal advice. While every effort has been made to ensure accuracy, this guide does not substitute legal counsel or professional guidance. Employees encountering workplace-related challenges due to the Palestine issue or seeking specific legal guidance regarding their rights in Ontario concerning advocacy for the Palestinian cause are advised to seek advice from appropriate experts or consult with relevant authorities within their workplace for guidance and resolution.

APPENDIX: EMPLOYEE'S RIGHTS IN ONTARIO

Any person in Canada, regardless of citizenship or immigration status, has the following fundamental freedoms according to Section 2(a-c) of the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms*: freedom of conscience and religion; freedom of thought, belief, opinion and expression, including freedom of the press and other media of communication; freedom of peaceful assembly. However, under Ontario's employment law, these rights in the workplace might encounter limitations, as there are "reasonable limits prescribed by law" to these freedoms, especially to prevent hate propaganda or hate speech.*

*NOTE: With respect to the relevance to the cause of Palestinian rights, criticism of Israeli policies and calling them out for crimes of apartheid is not hate propaganda, hate speech, or anti-semistism, though pro-Israelis might claim so. However, blaming all Jewish people for the actions of the state of Israel and discrimination based on stereotypes of Jewish people is anti-Semitic. Similarly, generalizing Palestinians, Arabs, Muslims, or pro-Palestine activists as "terrorists" is Islamophobia, and anti-Palestinian racism.

3.1. Freedom of Expression

The Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms protects freedom of expression, allowing advocacy for causes like Palestine. However, this right isn't absolute and could be restricted in specific situations.

Employees can generally voice opinions on social or political matters, including support for Palestine, outside work and in a personal capacity. Yet, limitations might arise if it affects the employer's image, disrupts the workplace, or conflicts with company policies.

3.2. Employer's Policies and Disciplinary Actions

Employers have the authority to establish policies regarding employees' conduct, including social media use and off-duty behavior, to ensure a respectful workplace environment. If an employee's advocacy for the Palestinian cause violates these policies or negatively affects the workplace, an employer may take disciplinary action, such as warnings, reprimands, or, in extreme cases, termination.







Most employers have codes of conduct or social media policies that outline acceptable behavior, especially concerning public expression. If advocating for Palestine conflicts with these policies or negatively affects the workplace environment, an employer may take disciplinary action.

3.3. Human Rights Protection

The *Ontario's Human Rights Code* prohibits discrimination based on various grounds, including creed, religion, or political belief. If an employee faces disciplinary actions solely due to advocating for the Palestinian cause and it is linked to discrimination or harassment based on their beliefs or background, this could be considered a violation of their human rights.

3.4. Legal Recourse

Employees who believe they faced unjust disciplinary actions due to their advocacy for the Palestinian cause should seek legal advice. They can file a complaint with the *Ontario Human Rights Tribunal* if they believe their human rights were violated or challenge the disciplinary actions through legal channels if they were unduly harsh or unjustified.

Employment law seeks to balance the rights of employees to express their opinions and the employer's interest in maintaining a productive and harmonious workplace. The key is to advocate respectfully and considerately without causing disruption or conflict within the workplace.

3.5 - Additional Resources for Employee Rights in Ontario

Expanding your knowledge about employee rights in Ontario is pivotal for informed advocacy and protection in the workplace. Below is a compilation of resources from various trusted organizations, offering valuable insights and guidance on your rights as an employee in Ontario:

- Resources like the *Muslim Legal Support Centre* (MLSC) offer valuable guidance on employee rights, protest entitlements, and tips for peaceful demonstrations in Canada:
 - MLSC: Navigating Employment and Freedom of Expression Amid the Israel-Palestine Conflict: Questions and Answers https://ugc.production.linktr.ee/317a9905-d668-4eda-9084-e2421c4949f9 Navig <a href="https://ugc.production.ee/aparter-aparte
 - MLSC: Your Rights and Guidelines for Peaceful Protests in Canada:
 https://ugc.production.linktr.ee/d4b06ab9-266e-48db-8551-8a3ac5e52aac_Your-Rights-and-Guidelines-for-Peaceful-Protests-in-Canada.pdf
- Connect with knowledgeable legal counsel across Canada through the *Palestine Legal Referral Service* (PLRS), a national initiative supported by Canadian Association of Labour Lawyers, Labour 4 Palestine, and the Legal Centre of Palestine:
 - PLRS: https://www.palestinelegalreferral.ca/







- Navigate workplace rights and Palestinian advocacy with the guide prepared by the *Arab Canadian Lawyer's Association* (ACLA) which offers insights into workplace limitations regarding speech or actions supporting Palestine:
 - ACLA "Job Consequences for Palestine Support Activities: What are my employee rights?"

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 44a2f66518edca25/1699978508973/Employment+Law+Guide+Nov+14+2023.pdf
- The Legal and Tactical Guide by Just Peace Advocated (JPA) offers foundational insights into legal matters faced by Palestinian rights activists and strategies to navigate them
 - JPA "Palestinian Human Rights Issues in Canada: A Legal and Tactical Guide" https://www.justpeaceadvocates.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/Legal-and-Tactical-Guide_V23.pdf