CMPAC's Policy Updates

January 9 - 20, 2025

Dear CMPAC Community,

The **announcement** of a ceasefire in Gaza after 15 months of relentless violence offers a moment of much-needed relief for Palestinians who have endured unimaginable suffering. While we acknowledge the significance of this temporary halt in fighting, CMPAC emphasizes that a ceasefire alone is not enough to address the root causes of the ongoing oppression. The devastation, including the unreported toll on civilian lives, and the continued occupation demand immediate and sustained action. The international community must work toward justice, ensuring that the atrocities of the past months are not forgotten, and that accountability is pursued.

As we reflect on the ceasefire's **implications**, CMPAC remains committed to advocating for the rights, dignity, and freedom of Palestinians. The work is far from over, and we must continue pushing for long-term solutions - ending the occupation, rebuilding Gaza, and holding those responsible for war crimes accountable.

Below, we share our recent policy updates, which reflect our ongoing call for justice and the urgent action needed to address the continuing crisis in Gaza.

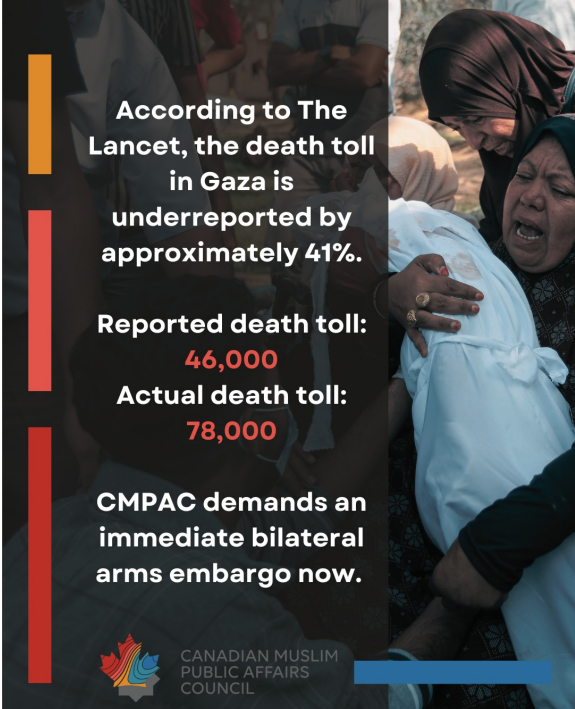## CMPAC Calls for Strong Action Against UNRWA Ban

January 9 - With Israel's decision to ban the United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA) in Palestine, Canada must take decisive action. While Canada has condemned this move, words are no longer enough. CMPAC urges Canada to push back against this violation of international law and be prepared to impose political and economic sanctions.

CMPAC Highlights Underreported Gaza Death Toll

January 10 - A study published by *The Lancet* reveals that the Gaza death toll has been underreported by approximately 41%, bringing the actual number closer to 78,000. CMPAC demands that Canada cease its complicity in the #GazaGenocide and calls for an immediate bilateral arms embargo.

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Reported death toll: 46,000
Actual death toll: 78,000

CMPAC demands an immediate bilateral arms embargo now.

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CMPAC Demands Immediate Release of Dr. Husam Abu Safiya

January 10 - After Palestinian doctor Mahmoud Abu Shahada's release, CMPAC continues to demand Canada's pressure on Israel for the release of Dr. Husam Abu Safiya, the chief of Kamal Adwan Hospital, whose whereabouts remain unknown amidst fears of torture.

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Release
Dr Hussam
Abu Safiya
Now!

Growing Fear
of Torture &
Abuse

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CMPAC Calls for Accountability
for Denied Humanitarian Aid

January 13 - The UN attempted to reach North Gaza 165 times between October 6 and December 31, 2024, but 149 of these missions were blocked. CMPAC calls on Canada to denounce these violations and prepare to impose sanctions against Israel for obstructing humanitarian aid.

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CMPAC Exposes Environmental Devastation
from Israeli Airstrikes

January 13 - Israel's military operations in Gaza have generated over 281,000 metric tonnes of CO_2 emissions, equivalent to the emissions of 20 countries in one year. CMPAC urges Canada to end all complicity

in this genocide and impose a bilateral arms embargo.

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CMPAC Demands Accountability for Targeting Journalists

January 14 - Since October 7, Israel has killed over 200 journalists in Gaza. CMPAC calls on Canada to condemn the systematic targeting of journalists and demand accountability for these violations of international law.

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CMPAC Demands Protection of the Ceasefire Agreement

January 20 - As relief comes in through a ceasefire agreement, doubts surface about Israel's compliance with the deal. CMPAC demands that Canada stands in solidarity to protect the ceasefire agreement

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Ceasefire Agreement **Must Be Protected!**

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