

The European Green Party (EGP) and its member parties are gravely concerned by the ongoing developments in the Middle East and the escalating situation that was already addressed in the resolution "[The European Greens Stand for a Lasting End to Violence in Israel and Palestine](#)" adopted at the EGP Congress of December 2023 after October 7th and the subsequent explosion of violence calling for an immediate and permanent ceasefire.

***[AM1] The horrific terrorist attack committed by Hamas caused immense trauma in the Israeli population and the whole Jewish community and we continue to condemn all violent attacks on Israel. While respecting Israel's right to self-defence, the response of the Israeli government has been disproportionate, and the civilian cost of the current conflict is unacceptable. We continue to stand in undivided solidarity with the civilian population in Israel and Palestine and express our deepest sorrow with the victims and their families.***

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***[AM1] Since the adoption of the mentioned resolution,*** our concern has increased in the light of the ***[AM3] nationalist*** far-right Israeli government's flagrant disregard of the ICJ's ***[AM4] order*** that Israel must halt its military operations in Rafah and Gaza on the grounds that such actions could lead to conditions conducive to genocide. ***[AM 5-8] The Israeli government's escalation in the use of force since their initial response in self-defence to terrorist attacks by Hamas in October 2023 has led to a humanitarian situation that has continued to worsen with catastrophic consequences, especially for civilians leading to starvation, deprivation of water and fuel. Israel shall refrain under all circumstances from launching indiscriminate attacks and from obstructing humanitarian aid. Israel shall act according to the Advisory Opinion of the ICJ of 2024.*** Meanwhile Hamas, recognised by the EU as a terrorist organisation since 2001, has continued violence still since the massacre against Israeli civilians of October, 7th holds hostages under horrific circumstances, who must be released immediately and unconditionally. ***[AM 9] The Israeli government has not prioritised the release of the hostages.***

Furthermore, the Israeli government has to stop any arbitrary and unlawful administrative detention of Palestinians.

Over the past year, the escalation has spread across the region due to the military attacks ***[AM 5-8] by the different actors*** in the region which also resulted in the killing of innocent civilians. All actors must stop conducting military operations in the territory of sovereign countries. The Israeli government must immediately cease military strikes, ground operations, and indiscriminate acts against civilians, UN staff and peacekeepers, medical workers and journalists. These attacks as well as those of Hamas, are not aligned with international law. Hezbollah and other ***[AM 10]***

***militant terrorist proxy groups*** must enact an immediate cessation of missile and drone strikes and indiscriminate acts against civilians. The escalation on the Israeli-Lebanese border must cease so that the **[AM 12] great** numbers of internally displaced people on both sides can return home. We **[AM13] strongly** condemn Iran's attacks in April and October 2024 against Israel as well as Iran's policy **of [AM13] destabilizing** the region **[AM13] through its proxies and their continued attacks. [AM 89] This conflict caused severe damage to the natural environment which is deeply concerning.**

**[AM 14] We welcome the most recent announcement of a ceasefire between Israel and Hezbollah and implore all actors to respect the agreement as well as reiterate the European Greens' fundamental belief that political solutions can bring long-lasting peace to the region.**

As European Greens, without reservation, we consider it essential to take action to stop all violence and the crimes that we condemn with this resolution. It is borne out of the recognition that the EU and all European countries bear **[AM 15 - German Greens check] not only** a historical responsibility **[AM 15 - German Greens check] but also a positive obligation - as enshrined in the 1948 Convention on the prevention and punishment of the crime of genocide** to do everything in their power to prevent **[AM16] war crimes and** genocidal developments in the world and help work towards peace. In line with different views across Europe, some Member Parties of the European Green Party **[AM 17] see sufficient evidence of** the Palestinian people to be the victim of genocide, others consider that this **[AM 17] evidence** needs to be ruled by an international court. **[AM 20] We all stand united in condemnation of all crimes that are listed in this resolution, including the crimes against humanity and calling war crimes that are the grounds on which the International Criminal Court has issued arrest warrants for the Israeli prime minister, Benjamin Netanyahu, the country's former defense minister Yoav Gallant and the Hamas military leader Mohammed Deif. We call for a fair, just and lasting solution that includes the respect for the self-determination of the Palestinian and Israeli peoples.**

**[AM21-22] As European Greens, we recognise the right to self-determination of Palestinians and Israelis, we call for a just political solution for a lasting peace, including the recognition of the State of Palestine, as an important step towards the Two-State solution**

Therefore, the European Green Party, adopts the following points so that decisive, immediate actions can address the ongoing human rights violations and support the cessation of hostilities: