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“Impunity and the Recurrence of Atrocity Crimes: Delayed Justice in the Situation in the State of Palestine”

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The preamble of the Rome Statute provides the main reason for the establishment of the International Criminal Court (ICC): “Determined to put an end to impunity for the perpetrators of these crimes (aggression, war crimes, crimes against humanity and genocide) and thus to contribute to the prevention of such crimes”.

Nowhere has the reality of such determination been more tested than in the Situation in the State of Palestine.

The State of Palestine joined the ICC in 2015. Nine years later, the Palestinian people still await for justice to be delivered. The impunity crisis has led to recurrence of crimes against the Palestinian people culminating in the recent and ongoing horrors in the Gaza Strip.

Join the conversation with Ambassador Majed Bamya, Deputy Permanent Representative of the Mission of the State of Palestine to the UN; Katherine Gallagher, Staff Attorney at the Center for Constitutional Rights & Legal Representative for Victims; Chantal Meloni, Senior Legal Advisor on International Crimes Accountability, ECCHR, ICC counsel; and Rodney Dixon KC, ICC Counsel, and Ahmed Abofoul, International Lawyer, Legal Researcher and Advocacy Officer at Al-Haq, and moderated by Mazen Darwish, Secretary General of the International Federation for Human Rights, to discuss the urgent need for the ICC to act, end impunity, bring justice to victims and prevent the recurrence of crimes.