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INTERNATIONAL PEOPLE'S TRIBUNAL PREPARES TO PROSECUTE ISRAEL AND THE US FOR THE CRIMES AGAINST HUMANITY OF ECOCIDE AND FORCED STARVATION

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Lead up events are taking place in anticipation of the International People's Tribunal for Palestine in Barcelona on November 22nd-23rd. It is convened by the International League of People's Struggle (ILPS) alongside the Peoples' Coalition on Food Sovereignty and the International People's Front. Endorsers include the International Association of Democratic Lawyers (IADL), Palestine Land Studies Centre for Development and Belonging, Indian Dancers for Gaza's Children, Peace for Life, and over 60 other organizations, some of whom spoke at the most recent event on October 12th around the history of struggle of th Palestinian people against US-backed Israeli occupation. Here are select quotes from each of the speakers.

Oz Karahan, ILPS: “Despite the horrific onslaught being unleashed by the Zionist occupation, backed by the US to the amount of \$318 billion, two years ago, the Palestinian people and their resistance forces bravely asserted their right to resist the Zionist occupation through the Al-Aqsa flood campaign. It is the unbeatable resistance of the people that has brought every ceasefire into existence and made it impossible for the Zionist project to eliminate the Palestinian people. ‘Right to Resist, the Palestinian People vs. the Zionist Occupation and the U.S. Government’, is an international people's tribunal on the U.S.-backed Zionist Occupation's war of forced starvation and ecocide in Palestine.”

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Wael El Zaray, Palestine Land Studies Center for Development and Belonging: “Since the Nakba of 1948, an unequal colonial economic relationship has taken shape between the Zionist entity and the Palestinian people, where the Palestinian people do not have any control over their resources and economy and the Zionist authorities have considered the expansion of settlements all over the Palestinian territory as necessary for the security. To resume the struggle of Palestinian people, we have a people who have endured dispossession since 1948, military occupation, fragmentation between the West Bank and Gaza, and throughout it all the Palestinian identity has not only survived, it has been forged in fire. The central demands remain the right to self-determination and an end to the occupation, and a just solution for the refugees.”

“The story of Palestinian struggle is not over. It's a story of profound injustice, but also one of incredible resilience. It's a story that continues to be written every day by students, activists, farmers, who are trying to return to their homeland.”

Suzanne Adely, National Lawyers Guild in the US and International Association of Democratic Lawyers: “Tribunals offer a narrative of people's struggles that counter imperialist and racist narratives that are upheld through very wide systems of counterinsurgency. They empower victims. They provide a vital forum for survivors, for families of survivors, for affected communities to present their experiences, at times when no other forums are willing to hear these testimonies, to hear these stories. People's tribunals are very powerful to help us build the kind of political clarity that we need to take these fights for justice as far as they need to go.”

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Sara Flounders, International Action Center and United National Anti-War Coalition in the US: “When we say that Israel is a U.S. proxy army, they describe it themselves as their unsinkable aircraft carrier in the region and their role from the beginning was to make war not only on the indigenous Palestinian population, but also on the surrounding Arab countries who were in a revolutionary ferment against colonial domination. Now, it turns out, it was a bad investment, because they're unable to defeat a determined people's movement.”

Indian Dancers for Gaza's Children: “Today, we are endorsing the International People's Tribunal because we believe in the power of the people, the power of ordinary citizens around the world. We have seen governments around the world failing us miserably in their inability to stop the ongoing genocide, to stop Israel, and to hold it accountable for its numerous violations of international law and the grave atrocities that it is committing against the Palestinian people. We know that millions of people around the world have done extraordinary things to try to stop this genocide, that is one of the other reasons why we're putting our faith in them, and not our government.”

Peace for Life: “Considering the blatant disregard of Israel and the United States of the basic rights and dignity of the Palestinian people since 1948, this International People's Tribunal is a monumental step towards achieving justice for the Palestinian people and accountability for crimes committed against them by the Zionist Israel in complicity with the imperialist United States. We therefore enjoin other organizations and peoples of the world to endorse this International People's Tribunal for Palestine to be held in Barcelona, Spain, this coming November.”

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About the International People's Tribunal for Palestine:

The IPT for Palestine is a civil society initiative organized by the International League of Peoples' Struggle (ILPS), International Peoples' Front, and the Peoples' Coalition on Food Sovereignty, with the cooperation of endorsers including the International Association of Democratic Lawyers (IADL) and Palestine Land Studies Centre, among others. It aims to establish a historical record of crimes against the Palestinian people, mobilize international solidarity, and exert moral and political pressure on complicit governments and international institutions.

Learn more about the tribunal: <https://internationalsolidarity.org/tribunal/>

View the recording of the launch event in English and Spanish on the International Peoples' Front Youtube channel:
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