

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



In the Name of Allah the Beneficent the Merciful
Peace and Blessing be Upon the Messenger

Dear Members of the FIMA Family,
Esteemed Sisters and Brothers,
Assalamu Alaikum

We praise and pray to Allah Taala that this edition of the Newsletter meets our brothers and sisters from the global FIMA fraternity in the best of health,

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CRITICAL LACK OF HEALTHCARE FACILITIES IN GAZA CONTINUES: UN SOURCES

The current health situation in Gaza is "beyond catastrophic," with most hospitals completely out of service in Gaza City and the north, officials said.

The WHO sources, the Gaza health authorities, Palestinian health ministry and health chief of the United Nations agencies had made repeated statements globally regarding the humanitarian situation and critical lack of healthcare facilities in Gaza. The death toll has exceeded 31,000 with 100,000 injured and incapacitated.

"Out of 36 hospitals, 30 of them now are completely out of service. The area of Gaza City and the north have been left without any medical services...There's around 800,000 Palestinians who still live in Gaza City and the north. Those people almost completely have no access to medical services,"



"We should also remember that there's elderly people, sick people, people with disabilities, people with chronic diseases. Those people were completely trapped in the area of Gaza City," was stated by the UNRWA chief.

The ground realities are way ahead in terms of magnitude of damage and helplessness of common citizens as compared of what the common onlookers witness on the media. The health services are further limited to near non existent due to a shortage of medicines and lack of electricity.

In shelters, there are 50,000 pregnant women living in inhumane and extraordinary conditions, deprived of water, food and medical care. Under these inhumane circumstances, 180 women give birth every day.

There are around 450,000 cases of

infectious diseases including more than 100,000 cases of acute watery diarrhea, with more than half of those in under-fives, as well as skin diseases, hepatitis and respiratory illnesses. Those are spreading significantly. And we should say that these are all underestimates because public health surveillance has collapsed along with the rest of the health care system"

"A quarter of the population is facing catastrophic levels of hunger...It is our assessment now...that the indiscriminate bombing of Gaza by Israel and the siege are effectively making it impossible to sustain human life in Gaza"

The medical fraternity has expressed their call for support for a cease-fire from around the world, while noting that "even if a cease-fire is declared today, the

crisis will not end. What the children have witnessed is more than enough for them."

Since the inception of this tragic onslaught FIMA has been in the forefront

to extend professional and healthcare help to the injured and refugees. Unfortunately so far only very limited has been made possible through the intervention of international agencies like UN and Egyptian government.

Al Khidmat Foundation is so far the largest provider for humanitarian and medical relief followed by our Turkish partners, IMA of North America, IMA of Malaysia, IMA of South Africa and around dozen of the IMAs and partners. FIMA in its communication to OIC has volunteered to setup a complete field hospital in Al Areesh region and efforts are being made to expedite the efforts.

FIMA executive Director Dr Hafeez ur Rehman has travelled to Cairo along with other members from IMANA and members IMAs to streamline the relief mission. A contingent of trucks has entered Gaza to provide food for 15000 families under the auspices of Al Khidmat for the month of Holy Ramadhan.

FIMA President Dr. Abdul Rashid Abdul Rahman has urged IMAs to reinforce the relief efforts through whatever available source and get prepared for dispatching medical manpower in case of need in the near future.



FIMA PARTNER AL KHIDMAT AT THE FOREFRONT IN GAZZA RELIEF ACTIVITIES

SENDING-OFF CEREMONY OF MEDICINES (13 TON) WORTH PKR-40 MILLION AND TINNED FOOD (07 TON) WORTH PKR-29 MILLION SENT TO JORDAN BY AKFP FOR PALESTINE THROUGH PAKISTAN AIR FORCE. (JANUARY 13, 2024)



Summary of Relief Activities Completed

Through	Tons	Amount (PKR M)	Amount (USD)
Implementing partners	-	277	995,000
Camp Office Cairo, Egypt 37 Trucks of Relief Items	657	860	3,089,080
NDMA & Pakistan Air Force 06 consignment of Medicines, Food, Hygiene Kits & other Relief Items	753	564	2,028,777
Educational Scholarships in Pakistan 86 Palestinian Students	-	17	60,714
Grand Total	1,410	1,718	6,173,571



On February 06, 2024; 5th consignment (PKR 75 million & 70 tons) sent from Jinnah International Airport Karachi. Officials of NDMA, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MoFA) and AKFP participated



DR. HAFEEZ UR RAHMAN IN CAIRO, EGYPT

(MARCH 08-10, 2024)



PICTORIAL GLIMPSES:

FOOD PACKS DISTRIBUTION BY WORLD CARE FOUNDATION



PKR 4.1 M SCHOLARSHIP DISTRIBUTIONS AMONG 82 PALESTINIAN STUDENTS IN PUNJAB, SINDH, KPK & BALUCHITAN-PAKISTAN



DR. HAFEEZ UR RAHMAN IN CAIRO, EGYPT



PICTORIAL GLIMPSES:

DISTRIBUTION OF FOOD PACKS BY HAYRAT AID



PALESTINE CRISIS 2023

SINCE OCTOBER 7, 2023, HUMANITARIAN CRISIS EMERGED IN GAZA RESULTING IN TRAGIC LOSSES.

CASUALTIES AND DAMAGES
(March 09, 2024)

PALESTINE CRISIS

Latest Figures | October 7-March 09

PALESTINE

KILLED



AT LEAST
30,878

including at least 12,000 children & over 8,000 women

INJURED



AT LEAST
72,402

including at least 28,000 children & 12,000 women

156

MEDICINES AND FOOD ITEMS (20 TON) SENT TO JORDAN BY AKFP FOR PALESTINE BY PAKISTAN AIR FORCE HAS BEEN RECEIVED BY PAKISTANI AMBASSADOR TO JORDAN AND CHIEF OF AIR STAFF OF JORDAN. (JANUARY 14, 2024)



Dr. Hafeez ur Rahman (President, AKFP) participated in International Post War Gaza Rebuilding Planning Session which was held on 10th - 11th February 2024 in Malaysia.



Syed Waqas Jafri (SG, AKFP) in Egypt:



PICTORIAL GLIMPSES:

HOT MEAL DISTRIBUTION IN HOSPITALS BY IHH



FUTURE PLAN:

- We plan to send 1000 tons of food and relief items from Pakistan in coming months.
- Gaza Family Support Program will be launched. The program will specifically provide Food, Health and Educational support to Gazan families in Egypt.
- Orphans in Gaza, Palestine will be sponsored for completion of their studies.
- Palestinian students in Pakistan and Egypt will be provided Educational Scholarships.
- One consignment of Relief Items will be sent by ship from Pakistan to Cairo-Egypt on monthly basis.
- One consignment of Relief Items will be sent by road from Rafah Border to Palestine on monthly basis.
- Doctors having Foreign passports will be sent from Pakistan to Egypt to provide Medical assistance.
- 20 Ambulances (2 already sent) will be purchased from Egypt and sent to Palestine.
- 5 Mobile Health Units (MHUs) will be purchased from Egypt and sent to Palestine.

ACTIVITIES IN EGYPT
ALKHIDMAT EUROPE (PROJECTS WORTH USD 35,000 FOOD & WATER)



PICTORIAL GLIMPSES:

VEGETABLE PACKS DISTRIBUTION BY HAYRAT AID



PICTORIAL GLIMPSES:
AMBULANCE VEHICLE PURCHASED IN CAIRO & READY TO BE SENT TO GAZA VIA RAFAH BORDER



On February 27, 2024; 6th consignment of relief items (PKR 350 million & 273 ton) handed over to NDMA. Officials of NDMA, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MoFA) and President AKFP participated.



FREE EYE CAMPS FOR OCULOPLASTIC AND CATARACT SURGERIES

Free eye camps for Oculoplastic and Cataract Surgeries are being conducted in Manhal Specialty Hospital (MSH) Hargeisa, Somaliland and in Al-Ihsan Hospital Mogadishu from 16th November to 02nd December 2023. Doctors from Pakistan are participating and providing volunteer services.

conducted in (MSH) Hargeisa, Somaliland.

Alkhidmat Foundation Pakistan (AKFP) has also established an Advance Ophthalmic Surgical Training Center in Hargeisa, Somaliland and provided the equipment of amounting USD 100,000

also given to the medical staff of Advance Ophthalmic Surgical Training Center.



Previously from 30th July to 11th August 2023, eye camp was

Phacoemulsification and Oculoplastic surgical training is

IMASA DURBAN BRANCH HAD THE PLEASURE OF HOSTING PROF. MUSA LAST NIGHT (ALWAYS INSPIRING) ALHAMDULLILLAH



Nurturing Resilience



Supporting Emotional Health During a Crisis

Delve into the complexities of emotional health to grasp the fundamentals of well-being during crises. Acquire tools and strategies to navigate and effectively cope with emotional challenges



Dr. Esma Kurt, Clinical Psychologist and founder of Mindcare Consulting



Dr. Omer Shareef is a Neuropsychiatrist and Senior Lecturer



Dr Dakhylina Madkhal is Psychologist & Sensorimotor Art Therapist at Khy Therapies

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Panel Discussion via facebook live and zoom
Sunday 17th of December
5.00pm - 6:15pm AEDT



<https://shorturl.at/FHIWxt>

Alhamdolillah one of the biggest protest marches of medical and allied professionals in Karachi.

Palestine White Coat March today.

Attended by about 4000 people and represented by 15 organisations.

Jointly organised by PIMA and Alkhidmat Karachi.

AT THE 16TH ANNUAL MUSLIM ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS AIMA HAS BEEN AWARDED

Alhamdulillah!!

By the blessings of Allah SWT. At the 16th Annual Muslim achievement awards AIMA has been awarded

1. Best new community project of the year
2. The national conference in Sydney was awarded the best event of the year
3. Sister Rubina our aima admin received volunteer of the year award
4. brother Mohammed Jehangir our WA President was awarded 'Man of the year award

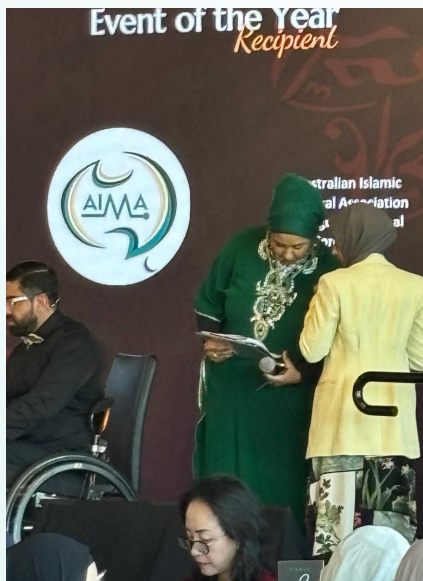
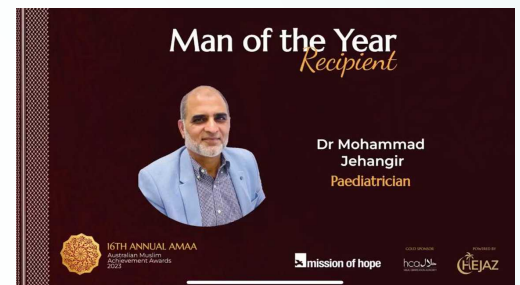
We ask Allah to bless them and this organization.

Sr Hajrah Kamran from NT was nominated for “young Muslim achiever award”

I watched the ceremony on FB live, it was so heartwarming to hear about the good work of AIMA so many times during the ceremony.

I congratulate all the members for their hard work for the sake Allah SWT, may Allah SWT reward everyone on the day when we need it most. I pray that Allah SWT keeps our intentions pure, Aameen

Muhammad Ashraf
National Secretary
Australian Islamic
Medical Association



IMAS JOIN HANDS TO EXPLORE AVENUES FOR GAZA MEDICAL RELIEF

A meeting was held in the office of Dr Ihsan Karaman with Dr. Intizar Hussein Butt and President of AlKhidmat Health Foundation,

Prof. Zahid Lateef. Former president of Turkiye red crescent Dr. Kerim Kinik also attended.

The participants discussed several relief issues and collaboration opportunities mainly on Gaza crisis.



PIMA HOLDS ITS CENTRAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING IN ISLAMABAD



IMA SOUTH AFRICA HOLDS NATIONAL GRADUATION CEREMONY

The IMASA Annual Graduations have been the highlight of the year, as Muslim graduates are invited to national events hosted by various IMASA branches. The IMASA Tshwane Branch recently hosted their event on December 9, 2023, at the Silver Crescent Hall in Laudium.

The program featured a keynote address by Prof Moosa Patel, a respected mentor in the medical field. Prof Patel shared essential tips for the young graduates who are now embarking on the next chapter of their lives as qualified health professionals.

During the event, honorary certificates were awarded to

influential members of the organization and community. These individuals included MI Abubakr Chougly, Dr Yusuf Carrim, Mr Abdul Kader Suliman, and the late Mr Arshad Akoob.

Newly qualified, Dr Taahir Makda was pleasantly surprised to receive not just one, but two well-deserved awards from the Tshwane Branch and the Student Wing of IMASA. These prestigious accolades serve as a testament to his unwavering dedication and passion throughout the years. Honoured with handover from his beloved father, Dr Yusuf Makda, a long standing member of IMASA Alhumdulillah.

The graduates themselves, Dr Hafez Riyadh Hoosen and Dr Hafez Mikael Gani had the honor of leading the Qiraat and closing duas whilst Prof Akhter Goolam Mahomed encouraged the graduates to become active members of IMASA, utilizing the organization as a pathway to serving mankind.

We would like to express our gratitude to ABSA, 27four Investment Managers, City Medical, AMKA, Nativa and Sanzaf for their generous sponsorship and support. Without their assistance, these events would not have been the resounding success that they were.





Canadians for Justice...
@CJPME

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Protect the @CaRMS_CA medical placement process against manipulation by pro-Israel groups as reported by @CBCNews. Stop the anti-Palestinian bigotry!
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Protect Med Students from Anti-Palestinian Racist

CAREER SABOTAGE!

CBC reports that pro-Israel doctors sought to

manipulate the CaRMS placement process for medical trainees!



EMAIL CaRMS's LEADERS NOW!



FIMASAC INSPIRE

15
SERIES

By:
Islamic Medical Association of Cambodia. IMAC

The World Assembly of Muslim Youth (WAMY) invites you to attend the Fimasac Inspire Series 15

TOPIC:

HEALTHY LIVING IN MUSLIM HEALTHY COMMUNITIES



Presenter
H.E. DR. MUSLIM ABBAS
Under Secretary of State MOH of the Kingdom of Cambodia and Deputy Director of IMAC



Moderator
Dr. HIM SOKREY
Deputy Director, International Cooperation Department of MOH and Head of Medical Volunteers, IMAC



Sat, 30th December, 2023



4PM Makkah Time



Meeting ID: 827 9738 2029
Passcode: 123456



FIMA



MEDICINE UNDER SIEGE

HOW TO WORK UNDER LOW RESOURCES

Organized by:



- A two-day online conference
- 14th & 15th of December 2023
- 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM Cairo Time (GMT +2)



The whole world is watching an unprecedented medical crisis in Gaza,

- Professionals are obliged to offer health services under a severe shortage of consumables and types of equipment. Also, the number of specialized medical practitioners endeavor to cope with the large number of emergency cases that need highly skilled specialists. Such a shortage in human and medical resources calls for out-of-the-box solutions. It is necessary to explore the locally available alternatives that mitigate the current shortages.
- This conference aims to share the experience of different disciplines working in low-resource settings.
- Also, it will explore to what extent complementary medicine can help in circumstances with limited availability of conventional medicine.
- It will highlight the urgent need to put new medical guidelines into practice in low-resource settings.
- The conference is an eye-opening opportunity for the international medical community to witness what is happening in Gaza and try to engage world health authorities in finding the proper solutions for these victims, especially civilian women and children.

This two-day online conference aims to address health Professionals worldwide, especially in Siege areas.



Day 01

HONORARY PRESIDENTS
PROF. REDA AWAD - PROF. SHERIN GHALEB
PRESIDENTS
PROF. MOHAMED YOUSSEF - PROF. MAHA SABER

14-DECEMBER-2023

CAIRO TIME 9 AM: 4 PM (GMT +2)

Agenda **Welcome speech:** Prof. Sherin Ghaleb/ Prof. Maha saber (9:00 - 9:30 am)
Chairperson: Prof. Mohamed Youssef
Moderator : Dr. Mahmoud Ali

Plenary lecture (1)

Complementary medicine: overall view—

Prof. Ahmed Alolemy Saudi Arabia 30 minutes (9:30 am - 10:00 am)

(1) Complementary medicine session 1: (10:00 - 11:30 am)

Complementary medicine practice in Siege environment: How I do it?

Prof. Hemat Allam, from Egypt 30 minutes

Homeopathy in Mental and Physical Health

Prof. Aalim Dhandukia India 25 minutes

The use of homeopathic remedies/homeopathy for physical traumas

Dr. Zahraa Kazeem South Africa 15 minutes

Manual therapy as an emergency modality

Prof. Marzouk Aleithy, USA 25 minutes

Plenary lecture (2)

Hijama is effective in many medical conditions:

Prof. Mohamed Youssef Egypt 30 minutes (11:30 am - 12:00 pm)

Salat Dohr Break (15 minutes)

Road map for introducing AI in Triage in ER in smart hospitals:

Prof. Ossama Mossallam Egypt 30 minutes (12:15 - 12:45 pm)

(2) Practicing surgery in Siege conditions session

Anesthesia: (12:45 - 1:45 pm)

Chairperson: Dr Ahmed Elghobashy South Africa

Anesthesia under Siege: tips and tricks : **Prof. Yaser Tolba** 30 minutes

Regional anesthesia: **Prof. Magdy Albaradhi** 30 minutes

Surgery: (1:45 - 2:45 pm)

Chairperson: Prof. Faheem Bassiouni Egypt

Operative Surgery in Siege Time: Tips and Tricks:

Prof. Hassan Shaker/Prof. Tamer Nabil / Dr. Mahmoud Ali 30 minutes

Surgical diagnosis in limited resources conditions:

Prof. Ali Ghelai Libya 30 minutes

Plenary lecture (3)

(3)Public health session: (2:45 - 3:30)

Chairperson: Prof. Hanan Ezz elarab

Infection control under Siege: what is minimal and effective?:

Prof. Wafaa Zahran Egypt 25 minutes (will transferred to Day 2)

Environmental sanitation in emergency setting:

Dr. Shady Ghanim Egypt 25 minutes

Early warning alert and response (EWAR) to outbreaks in emergencies:

Dr. Salma Afifi Egypt 25 minutes

Plenary lecture (4)

Blood Transfusion needs under siege with limited resources.

Dr. Faten Mofteh USA 30 minutes (3:30 - 4:00 pm)

Day 02

15-DECEMBER-2023

CAIRO TIME 9 AM: 4 PM (GMT +2)

Agenda **Chairperson:** Prof. Maha Saber
Moderator: Dr. Arwa Badreldeen

(1) Complementary medicine 2: (9:00 - 10:00 am)

Chairperson: Prof. Mohamed Mansour

Herbal therapy in siege conditions: can it replace conventional medicine?

Prof. Suleyman Ersoy Turkey 25 minutes

Acupuncture anesthesia/ analgesia: **Prof. Bo Chen** from China 30 minutes

(2) Success stories panel: (10:00 - 11:00 am)

- Bosnia experience **Prof. Merim Omerhodzic** 25 minutes

- Syria experienced **Dr. Mu'men Diraneyya** 25 minutes

Plenary lecture (5)

Managing burn in low resource settings:

Prof. Daan den Hollander south Africa 20 min (11:00 - 11:20 am)

Telemedicine: pragmatic role to serve people in stark crisis in GAZA:

Prof. Naseem A. Qureshi India 25 minutes (11:20 - 11:45 am)

Salat Goma'a Break (11:45 - 01:00 pm)

(3) Psychology session: (01:00 - 02:00 pm)

-Siege management: Stress disorders vs. Growth opportunities.

Prof. Ahmed Abdalla Egypt 30 minutes

-"Navigating the Storm: Embracing Crisis with Emotional Intelligence and Spiritual Resilience":

Mr. Tamer Zanati Egypt 30 minutes

Plenary lecture (6)

Chairperson Prof. Wael Sakr

Empowering Healthcare Heroes: Innovations in Medical Training and Guidelines for Low-Resource

Hostile Environments": **Prof. Mohamed Youssef/ Prof. Ahmed Abd-Elgawad** Egypt 30 minutes

(02:00- 02:30 pm)

(4) Nutrition session: (02:30- 03:20 pm)

Management of malnutrition in disaster situations.

Prof. Maha Saber Egypt 25 minutes

Changes in nutrition during famine.

Dr. Arwa Badreldeen 25 minutes

(5) Open session: (03:20- 4:20 pm)

Virtual reality benefits in low resource settings: **Prof. Ahmed Alkabany** Egypt 15 minutes

Rehabilitation in Siege Environment: **Prof. Aliaa Rehan** Egypt 15 minutes

Artificial intelligence and data science for humanitarian disaster management **Dr. Muhammad**

Rushdi Egypt 15 minutes

Home care by non-health professionals: exploring needs and doability

(Questionnaire results) comment given by: **Eng. Abdulrhman Dabour** Gaza 15 minutes

A voice from Gaza **Dr. Rozana Saad Sukaik**

Closing remarks

Dr. Arwa Badreldeen 20 minutes

Organizing committee

- Prof. Mohamed Youssef

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The team of the History of Islamic Medicine (HIM)
at

The Federation of Islamic Medical Associations (FIMA)
invites you to attend this webinar

CONTRIBUTION OF SCHOLARS IN THE ISLAMIC GOLDEN AGE TO OBSTETRICS AND GYNECOLOGY



GUEST SPEAKER:

PROF. HOSSAM E FADEL, MD, PHD, FACOG

- Clinical Professor, Dept of Obstetrics & Gynecology
Medical College of Georgia, Augusta, GA, USA
- Past Chair of the Board of Directors Islamic Medical
Association of North America (IMANA).
- Past Editor-in-Chief Journal of IMANA
- Editor-in-Chief Emeritus FIMA Yearbook
- Author of many articles on Obstetrics &
Gynecology, Islamic medical ethics & the History of
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MODERATOR:

PROF. SHARIF KAF AL-GHAZAL

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of Islamic Medicine (ISHIM)



**SUNDAY
12 NOVEMBER 2023**



**11.00 AM (NEW YORK)
4.00 PM (LONDON)
7.00 PM (MAKKAH)
11.00 PM (JAKARTA)**



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Antonio Manuel de Oliveira Guterres
Secretary General of the United Nations (UN)

Dear sir,

World Health Organisation's Medical Warehouse in Gaza

The Federation of Islamic Medical Associations (FIMA) take cognisance of the Twitter X message from the WHO Director-General, @DrTedros who wrote:

"Today, @WHO received notification from the Israel Defense Forces that we should remove our supplies from our medical warehouse in southern Gaza within 24 hours, as ground operations will put it beyond use."

We appeal to #Israel to withdraw the order, and take every possible measure to protect civilians and civilian infrastructure, including hospitals and humanitarian facilities."

As an international medical relief and humanitarian professional organisation, FIMA unequivocally deplore this planned and imminent destruction of the UN warehouses in Southern Gaza.

It was the Israeli Occupation Forces (IOF) which specifically designated the South of Gaza as a safe zone to allow humanitarian agencies like the UN and WHO to store essential and life-saving food and medicines desperately needed by the impoverished and tormented population of Gaza.

We unequivocally deplore the ongoing brutal carnage of the civilian infrastructure, the massacre of innocent children, women and civilians and now the inhumane decree by the IOF, which are all gross violations of the Geneva Convention and International Humanitarian Law.

This disproportionate destruction of civilian infrastructure and the collective punishment of innocent children, women and civilians is undoubtedly a form of state sponsored terrorism that must be halted immediately.

The acts of omission and commission by the democratic first world nations are a grave crime against humanity.



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We urge the international community generally and the United Nations specifically, to immediately stop this inhumane act of terror and order an immediate ceasefire to the bombings.

The UN and its agencies in collaboration with other empathetic nations must bolster the volume of humanitarian aid into the Gaza Strip and the WHO in particular must resuscitate the essential healthcare infrastructure and services to the internally displaced Palestinians.

Prof Dr Abdul Rashid Abdul Rahman
FIMA President

Dr Ashraf Jedaar
FIMA Relief Director

cc
Director General, WHO
Director General, ECOSOC
Director General, UNICEF
Secretary General, OIC



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REMAINING MESSAGE OF THE PRESIDENT

physically and spiritually. Aameen

Alhamdulillah with the Grace of Allah, we are now almost half way through the Blessed month of Ramadhan. May Allah Taala give us good health to see through this most Blessed of month. May we, by the end of Ramadhan, be much closer and obedient to our Creator. Ramadhan the world over is observed, at the minimum, by refraining from eating and drinking from dawn to dusk. Unfortunately some of our brothers and sisters are forced to fast without knowing when their next meal will be. Our thoughts immediately zoom to more than a million of them in Gaza. It has been almost 6 months, with no end in sight, since they have been forced to fast. They are being systematically starved, with more than 30,000 of their loved ones already exterminated and their surroundings reduced to rubble with some of the dead relatives buried underneath. To make things worst, noble souls who are crucial to help alleviate the suffering have also been victims of these vicious and cynical onslaught. At least 337 medical professionals have been killed, 14 out of 36 hospitals are only partially functional and 26 out of the 36 hospitals damaged.

FIMA tried our best to assist. We appealed directly to the UN and WHO and offered help through the OIC. We were directed to the Ministry of Health of Palestine based in the West Bank. Progress has been painstakingly slow for obvious reasons. While Gaza is being physically attacked, the West bank is still under brutal Occupation. This however did not stop FIMA playing our part. Donation for Gaza are being collected via FIMA Relief and all IMAs, webinar

on Gaza entitled “Medicine Under Siege” successfully organized and various trips by FIMA affiliates to Egypt and Jordan made. Al Khidmat, IMANA, JSIMS were physically involved while many other IMAs were active in various forms,

While most of the last 5 months have us fixated on Gaza, other activities continued unabated, Alhamdulillah. Special thanks to IMAC, PIMA, Al Khidmat, HIM, IMASA and AIMA (Australia) for sharing with us their activities. May Allah reward all in abundance.

Next month, in Shawwal, EXCO will have our semiannual meeting in Accra Ghana, hosted by the Muslim Health Workers Association of Ghana. The MHWAs will host its inaugural Scientific Conference in conjunction with the EXCO meeting. The semi annual EXCO gives us the opportunity to reappraise what we have done since the last Council meeting. Alhamdulillah preparation for the next Council is well underway with the official invitation already sent to all IMAs.

May Allah grant us the best Ramadhan of our lifetime and grant us the Night of Power insha Allah.



Walaikum Salam
Prof. Dr. Abdul Rashid Abdul Rahman
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