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Tell the UN: Expose Illegal Corporate Operations in Palestine



In February 2020, the UN Human Rights Office published a database of 112 companies⁽¹⁾ operating in illegal Israeli settlements on Palestinian land. Scores of settlements have been set up in Palestine in flagrant defiance of international law, and businesses operating inside them are essential to the illegal settlements' continued existence.

But two years on, no further action has been taken. The database has not been updated or kept current and — despite the UN's promise and a resolution “that the Human Rights Council establish a group of independent experts, with a time-bound

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mandate, to report directly to the council” on the situation — **a group of experts is yet to be appointed.**

[Click here to sign our petition and tell Michelle Bachelet the UN Human Rights Chief it's time to be UNstuck, Update the database, and expose illegal corporate operations in Palestine.](#)

Why does the update of the database and setting up of a group of experts matter? Because those companies who've ended operations should be recognised, while **[companies still operating illegally within Palestinian territory should be exposed and encouraged to follow the lead of other companies who've done the right thing](#)** and cut ties.

In short, **keeping the database current creates a necessary incentive and deterrent against engaging with Israel's illegal settlement industry** — and it's time for **Michelle Bachelet**, UN Human Rights Chief, to follow through on the UN's promise.

[Add your name to our petition and call on the UN Human Rights Chief to expose the businesses aiding illegal Israeli settlements in Palestine.](#)

The ITUC has urged the UN to call an international peace conference this year to relaunch the peace process currently “at a dead end, with the expansion of **illegal settlements, supported by dozens of corporations, reducing the chances of the two-state solution.**” **[It's time to turn things around: stopping corporate support of settlements is the first step toward that process and progress, so add your name to our petition today.](#)**

In solidarity,
Sharan Burrow
General Secretary ITUC

(1) **[OHCHR - UN rights office issues report on business activities related to settlements in the Occupied Palestinian Territory](#)**