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Ministry of Women's Affairs

Higher National Committee for the Implementation of United Nations Security Council Resolution 1325 (2000)

I am honored to write this introduction for the National Action Plan for the Implementation of United Nations Security Council Resolution 1325 (UNSCR 1325) on Women, Peace and Security. For decades, Palestinian women, who have been the custodians of the Palestinian national fabric and the preservers of Palestinian authenticity and heritage, have played a role as partners in the struggle and advancement. Their role as unifiers of the various backgrounds of the Palestinian people in one crucible of national identity, vision and liberation has confounded the Israeli occupation and its hostile policies.

Palestinian policymakers believe that peace, security and stability will only be achieved by ending the Israeli occupation and creating the independent State of Palestine, with East Jerusalem as its capital, and within the borders of June 4, 1967. This must be done according to international legitimacy, not through the use of brute force, settlement expansion, collective punishment, and house demolitions, but through the adoption of practical measures and procedures that provide protection and prevention for Palestinian women and uphold peace and security. UN resolutions, chiefly United Nations Security Council Resolution 1325, must be implemented.

Without straying from these demands, and for the purposes of implementing the regional and international resolutions in order to expose the practices of the occupation while enhancing the steadfastness of Palestinian women, the State of Palestine established the Higher National Committee for the Implementation UNSCR 1325, through a decision by the Council of Ministers cabinet in 2012. In June 2015, the government outlined the scope of the National Committee's work by endorsing the National Strategic Framework for Implementing UNSCR 1325 on Women, Peace and Security, which is a collective product of a one yearlong consultative process to which members of the Higher National Committee

for Implementing UNSCR 1325 contributed with support from The United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA). The Strategic Framework is based on the notion of women's rights, and therefore highlights the need to encourage women's participation and advance their voices at international peace conferences and in civilian affairs, integrate them throughout the security sector and in non-typical decision-making positions, and guarantee their advancement throughout the process of societal rebuilding and political solidarity, therefore opening the way towards developing a rights-based orientation and protecting the gains that the women's struggle has created, and lead to setting the priorities of the state on the basis of those rights.

The National Action Plan came about through a national effort, led by the Ministry of Women's Affairs as the head of the Higher National Committee for the Implementation of UNSCR 1325, and integrates the directions of the Women, Peace and Security Advocacy Strategy which was developed by the National Coalition for Implementing UNSCR 1325 in the year 2015. It is also a culmination of the efforts of all partners, including UN Women and the United Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA), and the European Union.

We cannot help but to extend our gratitude to members of the Higher National Committee for the Implementation of UNSCR 1325 and all our governmental and civil society partners who have participated in the development of this National Action Plan. They have made this plan a success and continue to contribute to its promotion and implementation.

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Summary

This is the National Action Plan for the Implementation of UNSCR 1325 (NAP) on Women, Peace and Security for the State of Palestine for the period 2017-2019. The NAP, developed through a consultative process with stakeholders, identified priority programs, projects and activities in light of the Strategic National Framework for Implementing UNSCR 1325 that was endorsed by the Council of Ministers in June 2015. The NAP encourages the allocation of resources, monitoring of budgets and mobilization of local, regional and international support.

The NAP is aimed at protecting Palestinian women and girls from violations of the Israeli occupation, holding it accountable internationally while ensuring the participation of women without discrimination both locally and on the international stage, developing protection mechanisms for Palestinian women and girls against the violations of the Israeli occupation, and working to increase the participation of women in peacemaking and conflict resolution at all levels, integrating their points of view in peace and reconciliation agreements and addressing the impact of conflict on women.

The Higher National Committee[1], which was established in 2012 by a Palestinian Cabinet's decision, is the entity responsible for developing, implementing and following-up on the NAP. The importance of the Committee lies in its membership, which includes the various related governmental institutions and civil society actors.

The general orientation of this plan is the quest to institutionalize work on UNSCR 1325 and subsequent UNSCRs on Women, Peace and Security, culminating with its implementation throughout governmental and non-governmental institutions.

The process of monitoring and evaluation is a fundamental theme of the plan, which requires the Higher National Committee to establish a specialized committee in partnership with stakeholders to monitor the implementation of the content of the UN resolution locally and measure the degree of the NAP's success at protecting Palestinian women and girls, ensuring that the Israeli occupation is held accountable internationally.

1. The Higher National Committee for the Implementation of Security Council Resolution 1325 was established by a decision issued by the Council of Ministers in 2012, according to which the Committee was formed from the Ministry of Women's Affairs as chairperson, and the membership of the Presidency, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Interior, Ministry of Justice, Ministry of Social Development, Commission of Prisoners and Ex-Prisoners Affairs, Ministry of State for Planning, Ministry of Information, Secretariat General of the Council of Ministers, Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics, General Union of Palestinian Women, Women's Center for Legal Aid and Counselling, Al-Haq organization, and The Palestinian Initiative for the Promotion of Global Dialogue and Democracy (MIFTAH). The Women's Affairs Technical Committee (WATC) was added by a decision issued by the Council of Ministers in 2013. Based on the last decision, several organizations in the West Bank and Gaza Strip will be added by a decision to be made by the Ministry of Women's Affairs.

The NAP is important because it establishes the activities meant to achieve the strategic objectives, as well as the expected results, indicators, various roles and who should implement them. Also, it identifies a timeframe during which to achieve the results that meet the needs of and contribute to the protection and safeguarding of Palestinian women, guaranteeing their right to life and preserving their dignity.

Introduction

UNSCR 1325 was passed in October 2000 to halt the violations occurring against women during wars and armed conflicts and their aftermath, and to realize international agreements and instruments, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and constitutional rights that urge states to protect and safeguard women from any violation of their rights during conflict and enable them to participate in decision-making processes.

The Palestinian Declaration of Independence and the Amended Basic Law of 2005 have reinforced respect for basic human rights without discrimination on the basis of sex, language, origin, religion, thought or belief. Hence any violation, violence, or blind eye to the use of violence against women contravenes these human principles and values of equality.

Given that, and based on the Palestinian national political effort to localize the resolutions and mechanisms of the international human rights system in all walks of life, development, advancement, liberation and independence, the formation of the Higher National Committee by the Cabinet in 2012 was a major achievement. The Cabinet then endorsed the Strategic National Framework for Implementing UNSCR 1325 in June 2015, resolving that Palestine is an extension of the international community that is affected by and affects the security of its members. These circumstances have made UNSCR 1325 and its set of supporting resolutions the basis for localization. Its localization is being led by a strategic sector partnership, which will develop the responsibilities and obligations of stakeholders. This partnership includes United Nations bodies, the Higher National Committee, the National Coalition for Implementing UNSCR 1325, local coalitions, the Palestinian Liberation Organization (PLO), and the Palestinian government.

The objectives of UNSCR 1325 of increasing the participation of women in peacekeeping and conflict resolutions, integrating the perspectives of women into peace agreements, addressing the impact of conflict on women, and protecting them from sexual violation while criminalizing it remain pressing and urgent objectives. Despite the achievement of some progress, much work remains to be done. There is a need therefore to give new momentum to the resolution's implementation by consolidating effort nationally and regionally.

Palestinian society, but especially Palestinian women, have endured hardship and calamity as a result of the brutal Israeli aggression and the economic siege imposed upon the Palestinian territory, beginning with the 1948 war to the 1967 occupation of the West Bank and Gaza to the latest aggression against the Gaza Strip in 2014. Women in particular were affected by the denial of their basic rights. The

opportunities for women are many, but cannot become reality without a clear strategic vision and the creation of institutional mechanisms and a legal infrastructure for implementing them. This vision needs to revolve around democracy, justice and democracy and respect for women's human rights in order to provide a suitable social, health and educational system, to ensure active and genuine participation, and to advance the society within the political, social and economic system.

To realize this goal, a joint team was formed out of civil society, governmental and women's organizations to develop a National Action Plan. National consultations, workshops and meetings were held in order to identify the activities, outcomes, indicators and responsibilities for the strategic objectives established by the Council of Minister's decision. A timeframe was identified and the consultative process has consolidated the will to work together in advancing peace and security in Palestine by enhancing the active participation of women. The NAP also encourages the allocation of resources, the monitoring of budgets and mobilization of local, regional and international support.

Work Methodology

The Ministry of Women's Affairs had started working on developing the NAP plan in full partnership with all stakeholders, using an established methodology, with full engagement of the Higher National Committee for the Implementation of the Resolution.

Review and planning meetings were held during which occurred:

1. Discussion of the content of the resolution and the remarks related to its localization in Palestine.
2. Identification of the activities for the strategic priorities and issues.
3. Identification of the expected results and indicators.
4. Identification of the responsibility framework for each organization.
5. Work towards the identification of the expected total financial cost.
6. Work towards the identification of the timeframe for this plan.

First: Preparatory Meetings with the Planning, Policies and Projects Unit of the Ministry of Women's Affairs

Several meetings were held by the Planning, Policies and Projects Units of the Ministry of Women's

Affairs for the purpose of initiating the strategic framework of the NAP, agreeing on a work plan and preparing to hold a meeting for the Higher National Committee for the Implementation of UNSCR 1325.

Second: Preparation of the Action Plan for Implementing the Resolution

An initial review of various national and sector plans as well as publications and research related to applying and localizing UNSCR 1325 at the Palestinian level was conducted in order to assist in preparing the proposed methodology.

Third: Presentation of the Methodology and the Action Plan to the Higher National Committee

On October 11 and 12, 2015, an expanded meeting was held with members of the Higher National Committee in order to advise its members of the proposed work methodology for preparing the National Action Plan and the implementation framework. The two proposals were discussed and remarks received.

Fourth: Review Workshops & Conclusions

1. On December 27 and 28 of 2015, with support from UN Women, discussion and consultations on the development of the National Action Plan were completed. All organizations representing the Higher National Committee, in addition to a number of civil society organizations, including human rights organizations, working to advance a Women, Peace and Security Agenda in Palestine, took part.

2. The Ministry of Women's Affairs also organized, with support from UN Women and ESCWA, a workshop for the members of the Higher National Committee for the Implementation of UNSCR 1325 in Amman, Jordan in order to complete the discussions and consultations on the NAP.

   The Higher National Committee members and a number of stakeholders working to implement the resolution took part. The three-day long workshop, which was held February 9-11, 2016, revolved around three fundamental issues. The first and most important issue involved the development of the NAP. The second issue involved the development of the monitoring and evaluation matrix in accordance with the strategic objectives of the resolution. The third issue involved an open discussion over developing a coordination and follow-up mechanism to ensure work harmony.

3. Also, with support from UN Women, a final workshop was held on March 22-23, 2016 to complete discussion of the NAP.

Fifth: Development of the National Action Plan

After the review and analysis process, the subsequent phase started the writing of the first draft of the government and civil society framework. Strategic Framework approved by the Council of Ministers in 2015 served as the starting point for the development of the National Action Plan, as well as agreement on the various activities and outcomes, and identifying the scope of responsibility.

Sixth: Identification of the National Action Plan's Financial Cost

A meeting of financial managers and accountants from governmental organizations and civil society, along with some members of the National Committee, has identified estimated financial costs of the activities specified by the draft NAP.

Also, bilateral meetings were held with the financial managers and accountants of the Palestinian Authority's institutes and civil society organizations for the purpose of identifying the financial costs of NAP's activities.

Seventh: Presentation of Outcomes to the Higher National Committee

Finally, the National Action Plan was presented to the members of the Higher National Committee so that they could provide their final remarks, revisions and recommendations and to complete the required revisions to the final framework in a manner that ensures that it expresses all government and civil society strategic directions through a comprehensive and integrated national strategy.

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Strategic Objectives	Policies	Interventions	Activities	Outputs	Description	Responsibility
Title **Strategic Objective 1: Enhance the protection of Palestinian women and girls, especially from the violations of the Israeli occupation.**	**Policy 1: Improve the quality of support services for women and girls who are victims of violations and gender-based discrimination, mainly violence.**	- Improvement of and follow-up on legal, social, health and mental protection programs for women who are victims of violations and discrimination, mainly violence.	- Carry out a national survey to identify relevant service providers (Who offers what, to whom, and where?).	Database developed of organizations and their provided services.	Develop Terms of Reference (ToR) of a team comprised of a main researcher and three assistant researchers to carry out the services survey in the West Bank and Gaza Strip. Select team and sign a contract and agreement. Conduct the research. Organize a workshop to launch the results. Publish survey results.	Ministry of Social Development
				Database developed and security services engaged, especially the Military Liaison Office (to include cases of women and children detained by the occupation, cases of assaults, and houses and school demolitions).	Develop Terms of Reference (ToR) that includes recruitment of a team comprised of a main researcher and three assistant researchers to carry out the survey in the West Bank and Gaza Strip. Select team and sign a contract/agreement. Conduct the research. Organize a workshop to launch the results. Publish survey results.	The Ministry of Interior
			- Monitor the reports received by the Secretariat General of the Council of Ministers from the government departments who provide services, building on them to ensure improvement of the quality of services rendered to women and girls.	Periodic reports monitored and impact of violations analyzed, developing required support policies and interventions based on results.	Monitor and follow-up on reports.	Secretariat General of the Council of Ministers, Gender Unit and the Government Performance Quality Unit.

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Strategic Objectives	Policies	Interventions	Activities	Outputs	Description	Responsibility
			- Develop legal training manuals.	A Ministry of Justice procedural legal guide for legal service providers for women victims of violations and violence developed.	Develop ToR to recruit a specialist in law and violence in order to develop a legal guide. Train service providers in the use of the guide: 6 hours/day * 4 days * 30 trainees.	Ministry of Justice
				Psychosocial/health service referral guide developed.	Develop ToR for a health and violence expert to develop a referral guide to reinforce access to services for women and girls who are victims of violence during conflict and in wars. Train service providers on the use of the guide: 6 hours/day * 4 days * 30 trainees.	Ministry of Health
			- Provision of legal, social, psychological and health support for women and girls who are victims of violations and discrimination, particularly violence.	Legal support services offered to female victims of all forms of violations, and to female prisoners and ex-prisoners, especially during and after incursions and arrests.	Develop a mechanism to reach out to women in marginalized areas.	Commission of Prisoners and Ex-Prisoners Affairs
					Publish instructions on the provision of legal services.	
					Publish legal educational materials for handling Israeli violations.	Civil society organizations, Commission of Prisoners and Ex-Prisoners Affairs
				Provision of social support services to women victims of violations.	Develop clear instructions for immediate intervention to support women victims of violations.	Ministry of Social Development
					Disseminate instructions to the public on legal service providers and processes.	Ministry of Social Development

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					Publish legal educational materials for women victims of Israeli violations of International Lawst	Civil society organizations
				Health and psychological support services provided to affected women.	Publish clear referral instructions per region for women victims of violence.	Ministry of Health
					Provide mobile clinics to the areas behind the Wall.	Civil society organizations
					Publish educational health and psychosocial guidance, especially on how to handle harm.	
			- Enhance the capacities of (male and female) service providers to empower women and girls who are victims of violations and discrimination.	Capacities of 375 service providers developed on how to handle cases of battered women.	Train 25 service providers from the Ministry of Justice. Recruit a legal trainer.	Ministry of Justice
					Train 25 service providers in the social affairs sector. Recruit trainer in the field of social affairs.	Ministry of Social Development
					Train 25 Ministry of Health staff service providers in the health sector. Recruit a trainer,	Ministry of Health
					Train 25 Commission of Detainees and Ex-Detainees Affairs staff service providers.	Commission of Detainees and Ex-Detainees Affairs
					Train 25 staff on providing legal services opposing the Israeli occupation violations in areas behind The Wall. Recruit an expert.	Colonization and Wall Resistance Commission

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					Training of 25 persons working in organizations in Jerusalem on legal service delivery opposing the Israeli violations, recruitment of a trainer.	Ministry of Jerusalem Affairs
					Train 25 persons working in civil society organizations on legal service delivery opposing the Israeli violations, recruitment of a trainer.	Civil society organizations
					Train 25 persons working in International organizations on legal service delivery that oppose the Israeli violations. Recruitment of a trainer.	Ministry of Women's Affairs
					Train 50 persons working in the security sector (concepts, institutionalization mechanisms, plans, programmes, activities and budgeting mechanisms of UNSCR 1325). Recruit a trainer.	Ministry of Interior
					Train 50 persons on the mechanisms of documenting violations of the Israeli occupation against women and children, in close coordination with the Military Liaison Office (i.e. report writing and documentation mechanism). Recruit one trainer.	Ministry of Interior
					Raise the awareness of 75 women on the minefields that are prevalent in the West Bank through coordination with Unexploded Ordnance Centre at the Ministry of Interior. Recruit one trainer.	Ministry of Interior
					Map the number of legal and illegal migrant cases by coordinating with the Department of Arab Affairs and embassies. Recruit a researcher. Organize one workshop.	Ministry of Interior

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					Hold coordination meeting to establish: a) a commission to provide services and b) a coordination commission for all service providers.	
					Develop questionnaires and document cases according to principles of maintaining professional confidentiality. Activate the national referral system, considering geographical distribution. Train 120 persons from the West Bank and the Gaza Strip on related interventions at times of crises.	Ministry of Women's Affairs
	Policy 2: Enhance the steadfastness of Palestinian women and girls living under Israeli occupation	- Development of rights, economic and social empowerment programs for Palestinian women and girls	- Activate and develop legislation and policies to enhance the steadfastness of women and ensure their practical implementation.	Law-of-the-Capital activated	Advocate for a decision from the Council of Ministers to enforce the Law-of-the-Capital.	Ministry of Jerusalem in coordination with relevant governmental departments and non-governmental organizations
			- Activation of the Law of the Capital No. 4 of 2002 and ensure its enforcement on the ground.		Promote awareness on the Law-of-the-Capital and its importance for the protection of the city through distributing 1000 posters and 1000 brochures.	Civil society organizations and the Ministry of Information
			- Support development projects of Palestinian women and girls especially in Jerusalem and the Gaza Strip	Women's development projects in areas behind the Wall and direct hot spots mapped.	Recruit a specialized researcher to develop a questionnaire to classify women's development projects in hot spots and areas behind the Wall.	The Ministry of National Economy
				Tax and customs exemption implemented for projects behind The Wall and in hot spots.	Advocate for a decision from the Council of Ministers on tax and customs exemption for the projects in conflict areas.	The Ministry of National Economy

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				The marketing of products by women's and girls' projects promoted and supported.	Produce 1,000 posters, billboards, and 1,000 awareness-raising brochures.	Civil society organizations and the Ministry of Information
			- Develop the capacities of women in project management and marketing and conduct a feasibility study.	50 women from Jerusalem trained on project management.	Recruit a trainer specialized in projects management. Eight-day two courses with 25 persons in each course.	Ministry of Jerusalem
				50 women from the Gaza Strip trained on project management.	Recruit a trainer specialized in projects management. Eight-day two courses involving 25 persons in each course.	Civil society organizations
				50 women from areas behind the Wall trained on project management.	Recruit a trainer specialized in projects management. Eight-day two courses involving 25 persons in each course.	The Colonization and Wall Resistance Commission
				50 women from Area C trained on project management.	Recruit a trainer specialized in projects management. Eight-day two courses involving 25 persons in each course.	Civil society organizations
				50 female ex-prisoners trained on project management.	Recruit a trainer specialized in projects management Eight-day two courses involving 25 persons in each course.	The Commission of Prisoners and Ex-Prisoners Affairs
			- Facilitate and provide grants and soft loans to start income-generating projects for women to enhance their steadfastness, especially in marginalized areas.	Organizations that provide grants and loans mapped.	Develop a questionnaire to be filled out by organizations, recruit a main researcher and three assistant researchers.	Civil society organizations

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				Awareness raised among grant-providing organizations of the importance of engaging women victims of violations as part of their programmes.	Produce 1,000 brochures & 1,000 posters.	Civil society organizations
				Policy implemented by the Council of Ministers to ensure the provision of an investment environment that is incentivizing for women who are victims of Israeli violations in small and medium enterprises, and another policy implemented to lower interest rates for small businesses owned by women victims of the occupation.	Develop a policy paper on enhancing the access of women to resources and subsequently increase investment in small and medium enterprises. Endorse the policy paper by the Council of Ministers.	Ministry of National Economy and the Secretariat General of the Council of Ministers
			- Provide legal counselling and support to Jerusalem women victims of violations perpetrated by the Israeli occupation.	A permanent open counseling hotline established for women in Jerusalem.	Recruit qualified staff for the open counseling hotline.	Civil society organizations
		- Integrate and mainstream gender issues into the reconstruction process in the Gaza Strip.	- Train and enhance the capacities of target women.	The capacities built of 50 women who work in organizations that engage in women's empowerment and gender equality.	Recruit a trainer and organize training sessions on intervention mechanisms and how to work to integrate gender into the reconstruction processes.	Civil society organizations

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			- Develop studies and working papers and hold meetings and workshops.	Three studies developed on the situation of women before and after reconstruction, along with a fact sheet based on those studies.	Recruit a researcher specialized in reconstruction and the status of women during this phase and three research assistants. Develop studies and factsheets.	Ministry of Public Works and Housing
			- Coordinate and network with reconstruction committees to ensure the participation of target women.	Women engaged in the reconstruction process.	Hold five meetings with the reconstruction committees.	Ministry of Public Works and Housing
					Promote awareness among local communities of the situation of women through five workshops.	Civil society organizations
					Develop a guide on how women benefit from the reconstruction process through a specialist who develops the guide with three research assistants and trains 30 women (30-day workshop).	Civil society organizations
			- Presentation of success stories of women who have participated in the reconstruction programs.	Two stories presented.	Identify women who have participated, interview two of them, and address successes, challenges and difficulties.	Ministry of Public Works and Housing, Ministry of Information
		- Develop relief and emergency assistance programs for women and girls who are victims of violations and gender-based discrimination, especially violence.	- Support appropriate and gender-sensitive shelters.	Gender-sensitive reconstruction.	Distribute official instructions from the Council of Ministers on the need for gender-sensitive reconstruction of buildings or distribution of shelters.	Ministry of Public Works and Housing

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			- Provision of food and drinking water.	Affected women receive food and drinking water.	Distribute official instructions to local councils from the Ministry of Local Government on the need to provide drinking water.	Ministry of Local Government
					Put in place market monitoring procedures by the Ministry of National Economy to prevent the increase of prices, in any case.	Ministry of National Economy
			- Provision for women's needs.	All necessities available.	Clothes, blankets, etc.	Civil society organizations
			- Provision of cooking gas and electricity generators.	Electricity generators and cooking gas are available for all affected women.	Map women who lack cooking gas and electricity generators. Supply disadvantaged women with cooking gas and electricity generators.	Palestinian Energy Authority
			- Provision of health centres, relief and medical services and basic medicines.	Medical services available for affected women.	Establish mobile clinics, and provide field doctors and special pharmacies.	Ministry of Health
			- Provision of means of transportation.	Means of transportation secured for affected women.	Provision of free cards to affected women allowing public transport, and a special emergency hotline assisting women with transport.	Ministry of Transportation

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Title **Strategic Objective 2: Hold the Israeli occupation accountable**	Policy 1: Hold the Israeli occupation accountable nationally and internationally for its violations against Palestinian women and girls.	- Hold the Israeli occupation accountable, prevent impunity, and provide reparations for the harm inflicted on Palestinian women and girls in accordance with national and international mechanisms.	- Filing and follow up on communications and supplemental briefs with the Office of the Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court.	Communications, supplemental briefs and follow-up maintained with the Office of the Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court.	Collection of data/statistics by the parties working on monitoring and documentation of the violations committed against Palestinian women and girls by the Israeli occupation.	National Observatory
					Preparation of the dossiers of the communications and supplemental briefs and their presentation to the competent committee.	Ministry of Foreign Affairs
					Filing and follow-up processes with the national competent committee.	Ministry of Foreign Affairs
			- Presentation of verbal and written interventions and submission of reports regarding the violations of the Israeli occupation against Palestinian women and girls to the appropriate UN bodies: Secretariat, General Assembly, Security Council, Economic and Social Council.	Verbal and written interventions, reports and draft resolutions on the violations of the Israeli occupation against Palestinian women and girls are presented before the main bodies of the United Nations.	Present cases in the sessions, general meetings and agendas of UN bodies.	Ministry of Foreign Affairs
					Hold briefing sessions on the status of Palestinian women and girls living under the Israeli occupation.	Ministry of Foreign Affairs

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					Call for holding special sessions on the violations of the Israeli occupation against Palestinian women and girls.	Ministry of Foreign Affairs
					Present draft resolutions before UN bodies to hold accountable the Israeli occupation for its violations against Palestinian women and girls.	Ministry of Foreign Affairs
					Presentation of official reports and letters calling on UN bodies to pressure the Israeli occupation to adhere to, respect, and implement international law.	Ministry of Foreign Affairs
					Brief the delegations of the State of Palestine on the status of Palestinian women under occupation.	Ministry of Foreign Affairs
			- Work within the framework of the human rights monitoring system of the UN.			
			- Treaty-based human rights commissions: Committees on international human rights agreements that the State of Palestine accedes to.	Agreements and conventions that Palestine accedes to hold the Israeli occupation accountable for violations it commits against Palestinian women and girls.	Develop official and shadow preliminary and periodical reports.	Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Justice, Ministry of Information, and civil society organizations.
					Cooperate and coordinate with official and non-official parties that are responsible for the development of reports.	Governmental and non-governmental organizations, according to competency.

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					Review of the reports.	Governmental and non-governmental organizations.
					Present the reports to the relevant national committees.	Ministry of Foreign Affairs
					Employ the outcomes of the reports and final remarks issued by the committees concerned with international agreements to promote accountability of the Israeli occupation.	Governmental and non-governmental organizations.
			- Charter-based human rights commissions: - Human Rights Council - Special procedures of the Human Rights Council: Special rapporteurs, independent experts and concerned working teams. - Special complaint procedure (1503).	Written and verbal reports and data, communications and complaints on the violations of the Israeli occupation against Palestinian women and girls presented before the charter-based human rights commissions.	Participate in human rights sessions, especially through Article 7, and present written and verbal reports and data.	Ministry of Foreign Affairs
					Hold briefing sessions with the human rights council.	Ministry of Foreign Affairs
					Organize parallel events.	Ministry of Foreign Affairs
					Present communications and complaints in accordance with special procedures and procedure (1503).	Civil society organizations
					Network using special procedures of the Human Rights Council.	Ministry of Foreign Affairs

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			- Conduct lobby and advocacy at the international level targeting: - Coalition for the ICC - Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) at the UN - Global Movement of Solidarity with the Palestinian Cause - International networks of women rights.	Public opinion apply pressure on the Israeli occupation for its breaches of international law.	Recruitment, mobilization and movement towards international coalitions and networks.	Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Information, Commission of Detainees and Ex-Detainees Affairs, and civil society organizations according to competency
					Participate as members in committees and networks.	Ministry of Foreign Affairs
					Participate in the annual meeting of the commemoration of the adoption of Resolution 1325.	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and civil society organizations
					Produce documentaries that illustrate the situation of women living under the Israeli occupation.	Ministry of Information
					Present verbal and written reports and memoranda at all levels demonstrating the violations of the occupation against Palestinian women and girls.	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and civil society organizations
			- Mobilize regional and international support backing the efforts of the Palestinian state to hold the occupation accountable, secure the needed support and draft relevant announcements and memos.	States are held accountable and respect their commitments.	Call on states through the delegations that visit Palestine to fulfil their obligations in accordance with international law.	Prime Minister's Office

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Strategic Objectives	Policies	Interventions	Activities	Outputs	Description	Responsibility
		- Activation of national accountability and protection mechanisms against the perpetrators of violations.	- Urge and demand that third party states fulfil their obligations in accordance with international agreements.	Commitments made by third party states to respect their commitments in accordance with international agreements ensured.	Call upon the states through their embassies and representative offices to fulfil their commitments in accordance with international law.	Ministry of Foreign Affairs
					Participate in conferences of the state parties to the agreements and demand the fulfilment of their obligations in accordance with international law.	Ministry of Foreign Affairs
					Call upon the states to perform obligations to the specialized commissions and agencies working on the Palestinian cause.	Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Information, and civil society organizations
					Work and coordinate with the expatriate Palestinian and Arab communities.	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and civil society organizations
			- Bring cases before national courts on the basis of universal criminal jurisdiction.	Cases are pending before national courts on the basis of universal criminal jurisdiction.	Prepare of cases/files.	Civil society organizations in coordination with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
					Contract and coordinate with a specialized legal team. Provide the team with data, facts and information.	
					Follow up on filed cases.	Ministry of Foreign Affairs

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Strategic Objectives	Policies	Interventions	Activities	Outputs	Description	Responsibility
			- Organize lobbying and advocacy at the regional and national levels that target: . Arab Women Organization. . Arab Human Rights Committee (Charter Committee). . Arab Women Unions. . Women's committees in national and Arab parliaments. . Regional networks concerned with women's rights.	National and regional public opinion pressures the Israeli occupation for breaching international law.	Lobby, advocate and mobilize resources to influence coalitions and networks.	Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Information, civil society organizations according to competency, Ministry of Prisoners and Ex-Prisoners Affairs
					Participate as members in networks and committees.	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Civil Society Organizations
					Presentation and submission of verbal and written reports and memoranda at all levels describing violations of the occupation against Palestinian women and girls.	Government and non-governmental organizations
	Policy 2: Enhance organizational capacities in the monitoring and documentation mechanisms related to the enforcement of UNSC Resolution 1325.	- Adoption of a standard national system to monitor and document issues in relation to the enforcement of UNSC Resolution 1325.	- Build capacities on the basis of UN guides especially the Training Manual on Human Rights Monitoring.	Capacities of organizations working on monitoring of violations developed.	Hold five four-day training courses. Recruit specialized trainer.	Ministry of Women's Affairs

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Strategic Objectives	Policies	Interventions	Activities	Outputs	Description	Responsibility
			- Develop a national monitoring and documentation mechanism on the basis of international mechanisms.	Monitoring mechanisms standardized.	Map the organizations working on monitoring, and recruit a specialist to standardize the forms.	Ministry of Women's Affairs
			- Formulate and approve a standard national system.	National system approved.	Hold five workshops with the partners to discuss the system.	Ministry of Women's Affairs
		- Creation of a national monitoring centre to monitor and document information related to the enforcement of UNSC Resolution 1325.	- Form a Technical Committee to develop the monitoring system's special procedures.	A national committee formed and special procedures developed.	Invite organizations for membership according to competency. Identify the tasks of the technical committee.	Ministry of Women's Affairs
			- Coordinate and network to collect and consolidate documentation and monitoring data into a database system; report to relevant concerned parties.	Data collected and analysed.	Install/purchase an electronic data collection system. Recruit specialized researcher for analysis.	Ministry of Women's Affairs
			- Development of annual reports and, when needed, country and thematic reports, on information and data related to UNSC Resolution 1325.	Reports on the situation published based on the monitoring data.	Obtain data from the observatory. A researcher specialized in developing preliminary reports.	All organizations based on competency

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Strategic Objectives	Policies	Interventions	Activities	Outputs	Description	Responsibility
Title: Strategic Objective 3: Enhance the participation of Palestinian women in local and international decision-making processes.	**Policy 1: Develop and increase the representation of Palestinian women at the leadership level in governmental and non-governmental institutions and support their participation in global institutions.**	- Support and empower women in decision-making positions especially in: • Main UN bodies. • Peacekeeping and international security operations. • UN Human Rights Monitoring System. • Decision-making positions, locally in legislative, executive, and judicial systems, as well as in civil society.	- Lobby decision makers to remove obstacles impeding the progress of women.	Annual media campaign targets 50% of decision makers.	Brochures (300). Posters (300). Radio spots (3).	Civil society organizations, Ministry of Information
				Centralized marches held to press for women's participation in decision-making processes.	Form groups in governorates. Invite groups to join the marches. Raise placards (five in every governorate) and 50 banners in every governorate.	Civil society and human rights organizations
				Memoranda/petitions (at least two local) drafted supporting participation of women.	Draft two local memoranda. Collect signatures from all institutions, submitting them to the government.	Civil society and human organizations
			- Lobby for the appointment of Palestinian women as special envoys to carry out good offices and as ambassadors of goodwill.	Palestinian women participate in decision-making processes locally and internationally.	- Nominate Palestinian women to assume decision-making positions at international organizations and bodies. - Urge countries to vote in favour of Palestinian women to assume decision-making positions at international organizations and bodies. - Address and urge the UN Secretary General to appoint Palestinian women as special envoys and as ambassadors of goodwill.	Ministry of Foreign Affairs

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Strategic Objectives	Policies	Interventions	Activities	Outputs	Description	Responsibility
			- Development of policy studies and statistical indicators relating to the participation of women in decision-making positions, with regular monitoring.	One annual study completed.	Contract a researcher. Develop a report. Hold a workshop.	Ministry of Women's Affairs
			- Develop and adopt national legislations and policies that ensure the increased proportion of women's representation in international decision-making positions.	Percentage of women in decision-making positions is 30%.	Draft policy paper for the Council of Ministers.	Ministry of Women's Affairs and the Secretariat General of the Council of Ministers
			- International organizations and commissions integrate Palestinian women in decision-making positions.	Representation of women in decision-making increased in programmes/ projects of international organizations .	Hold workshops through the Local Aid Coordination Secretariat (LACS), addressing international organizations. Draft official letters.	Ministry of Women's Affairs
			- Address and call on the UN Secretary General to appoint Palestinian women as special envoys and ambassadors of good will.	Palestinian women are special envoys and ambassadors of goodwill.	Hold five meetings to identify qualified women. Submit an official memo to the UN Secretary General.	Ministry of Foreign Affairs
					Train 50 women on leadership in international and diplomatic work. Specialized trainer. Two courses, each course lasts 3 days.	

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Strategic Objectives	Policies	Interventions	Activities	Outputs	Description	Responsibility
	Policy 2: Enhancement of the role of Palestinian women in maintaining civil peace and supporting national unity.	- Involvement of Palestinian women in reconciliation committees and dialogue.	- Promote community awareness to realize reconciliation and civil peace.	Three meetings held annually in every governorate with grassroots organizations, political factions, and local councils to enhance civil peace.	Recruit two facilitators for meetings and workshops. Media coverage.	Ministry of Information and civil society organizations
			- Lobby the political factions to ensure the participation of women in the reconciliation committees and national dialogue.	Women participate in Palestinian reconciliation committees and national dialogues.	Address political factions to integrate women in reconciliation committees. Promote the allocation of two seats for women from each party in the reconciliation committees.	Ministry of Information, civil society organizations
				Capacities of young leaders from political parties developed on concepts of civil peace, leadership, conflict resolution, and initiative.		UNSCR 1325 National Coalition Members
				Work plans developed by political parties to implement the Charter of Honour that was endorsed by 12 political parties. The plans include increasing representation of women in parties and in decision-making positions.		UNSCR 1325 National Coalition Members
			- Presentation of stories of deteriorating situations of Palestinian women as a result of the political split or the lack of civil peace.	Five stories presented annually.	Open day with women and decision-makers to present their stories.	Ministry of Information, civil society organizations

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Strategic Objectives	Policies	Interventions	Activities	Outputs	Description	Responsibility
		- Development of school and university curricula in a manner that enhances the role and participation of women in civil peace.	- Develop research studies, papers and statistical indicators on the extent to which the Palestinian curricula is sensitive to the values of equality, non-discrimination, participation, respect for the other and concepts of civil peace.	A database developed on the educational curricula and the level to which it mainstreams gender issues.	Develop database. Contract a main researcher. Develop questionnaires, and analyse data.	Ministry of Education and Higher Education
			- Update the Palestinian curricula to ensure the elimination of all forms of discrimination against women and their role in achieving civil peace.	Curricula developed that are sensitive to gender issues, especially the elimination of discrimination and the role of women in civil peace.	Identify the curricula that would be modified. Identify issues that would be added or developed. Hold three workshops to discuss updates. Write up a policy paper on the issues to be considered.	Ministry of Education and Higher Education
			- Enhance the participation of Palestinian women and girls in student councils at Palestinian universities.	Female students actively participate in student councils.	Produce paper on the obstacles to the participation of female students in student councils. Hold meetings with student councils and educate them on the importance of the participation of female students, urge the student blocs to nominate female students to membership in the student councils.	Civil society organizations UNSCR 1325 National Coalition Members
		- Establish platforms for permanent dialogue between Palestinian women and girls to enhance the values of tolerance and national unity.	- Hold regular meetings and dialogues among Palestinian women especially women leaders from the various party cadres and community organizations.	Regular meetings held among all the party cadres to enhance civil peace especially for women.	Hold three meetings annually. Invite the parties to talk about internal conditions and enhancing the internal front. Urge the parties to publish documents that support civil peace.	Civil society organizations, Ministry of Information, media organizations, political parties, and UNSCR 1325 National Coalition members.

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Strategic Objectives	Policies	Interventions	Activities	Outputs	Description	Responsibility
			- Put pressure on political parties and community organizations to adopt the outcomes of regular meetings and dialogues that promotes gender equality and gender-sensitive policies and responsive procedures.	Dialogue recommendations adopted by parties, guaranteeing the enhancement of civil peace, lobby and advocacy campaigns and individual meetings with the Minister of Foreign Affairs to enhance the participation of women in decision -making processes.	Sign a memorandum of understanding among the parties pledging to adhere to the values of civil peace and guaranteeing women's rights. Press conference.	Civil Society Organizations UNSCR 1325 National Coalition
			- Urge the mass media and social media activists to adopt the concepts of tolerance and national unity as priorities in various programs, activities and informational publications.	Concepts of tolerance and national unity are adopted within the media discourse.	Sign a memorandum of understanding with media organizations on the adoption of concepts of tolerance and national unity within the media discourse. Map media organizations. Hold a workshop for media organizations.	The Ministry of Information
			- Enhance the role of the media in efforts aimed at achieving national unity.	100 female media professionals and 100 male media professionals trained in promoting the concepts of tolerance and national unity.	Recruit a trainer specialized in media and the concepts of tolerance and national unity. Hold 8 training courses per year, each course three days.	Civil society organizations UNSCR 1325 National Coalition
				Media coalition formed comprising media organizations and women's media organizations.	Implement a capacity building programme for members of the coalition on gender and women's political participation.	Ministry of Information, Civil Society Organizations UNSCR 1325 National Coalition

Appendices

Appendix No. 1: List of the names of the technical team from the Ministry of Women's Affairs

NAP Development Leading Team

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5.	Nawal Hamd	General Department of Planning and Policies
6.	Nisreen Masalmeh	General Administration of the Impact, Media and Communication
7.	Nihaya Al-Tahrawi	General Administration of Media and Communication
8.	Ghada Alyyan	General Administration of Media and Communication
9.	Elham Sami	Complaints Unit
10.	Smood Yaseen	Projects Department
11.	Randa Thawabeh	Internal Control Department
12.	Razan Bedah	Gender Units Coordinator
13.	Nisreen Abu kishk	Training Department
14.	Shireen Abu Al-Rub	International Relations Department

Appendix 2: List of Institutions in workshops that were organized in 2016 to develop the National Plan for the Implementation of UNSC Resolution 1325

list of Members and Representatives of the High National Committee for UNSC Resolution 1325:

1.	Wafa'a Al-A'araj	Ministry of Women's Affairs
2.	Mohammad Al_Zaq	Office of the President
3.	Myassar Rayan	General Secretariat of the Cabinet
4.	Omar Awad Allah	Ministry of Foreign Affairs
5.	Khaled Abu Suboh	Ministry of Interior
6.	Reem Abu Baker	Ministry of Justice
7.	Basema Suboh	Ministry of Social Development
8.	Jalwa Badr	Ministry of Detainees and Ex-Detainees Affairs
9.	Nareman Awwad	Ministry of Information
10.	Ashraf Hamdan	Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics
11.	Rima Nazzal	General Union of Palestinian Women
12.	Randa Siniora	Women's Center for Legal Aid and Counseling
13.	Ashraf Abu Hayyeh	Al-Haq Organization
14.	Najwa Yaghi	The Palestinian Initiative for the Promotion of Global Dialogue and Democracy - MIFTAH
15.	Sabah Salameh	Coordinator of the Coalition for Combating Gender Based Violence
16.	Samia Bamia	Women's Affairs Technical Committee (WATC)
17.	Suhair Ramadan	Young Women's Christian Association (YWCA)
18.	Niveen Ghyatha	Committee's Secretary / General Secretariat of the Cabinet

Governmental Institutions:

1. The Ministry of Women's Affairs
2. The Ministry of Social Development
3. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs
4. The Ministry of Interior
5. Office of the President
6. The Ministry of Information
7. Palestinian Liberation Organization / Department of International Relations
8. The Ministry of Transportation and Communications
9. The Ministry of Justice
10. The Ministry of Planning and Finance
11. Palestinian Civil Police (PCP)
12. Palestinian Civil Police / Family Protection Unit (PCP/FPU)
13. The Ministry of Culture

14. General Secretariat of the Council of Ministers / Cabinet
15. Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics
16. The Ministry of Detainees and Ex-Detainees Affairs
17. Ministry of Awqaf and Religious Affairs
18. The Central Election Commission (CEC)
19. Ministry of Public Works & Housing
20. Palestinian Broadcasting Corporation
21. Palestinian General Personnel Council
22. Palestinian Preventive Security
23. Public Prosecutions Directorate
24. Palestinian Negotiations Department
25. High Judicial Council

Public and Private Institutions

1. General Union of Palestinian Women
2. Woman's Affairs Technical Committee (WATC)
3. Women's Work Association
4. The Palestinian Initiative for the Promotion of Global Dialogue and Democracy (MIFTAH)
5. Radio Nisaa (Nisaa FM)
6. The Culture and Free Thought Association (CFTA) - Gaza
7. Women Center for Legal Aid and Counseling (WCLAC)
8. The Coalition for Combating Gender Based Violence
9. Hiwar Center for Youth and Women's Empowerment
10. Young Women's Christian Association (YWCA)
11. Palestinian Working Women Society for Development
12. Al-Haq Organization

International Organizations:

1. United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women) - Palestine Country Office
2. United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA)