



## State of Palestine's virtual side event at ATT CSP7

### *"Upholding legal obligations under the ATT: The case of the Palestinian people"*

**SAVE THE DATE: Tuesday, 31 August 2021 @ 16:30 CEST**



#### **Opening remarks:**

**H. E. Mr. Ammar Hijazi**, Ambassador and Assistant Minister, Multilateral Affairs Sector, Ministry for Foreign Affairs and Expatriates of the State of Palestine

#### **Moderator:**

**H. E. Mr. Mxolisi Sizo Nkosi**, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of the Republic of South Africa to the United Nations Office at Geneva and other international organisations in Switzerland

#### **Speakers:**

**Michael Lynk**, UN Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian Territory occupied since 1967

**John Dugard**, Emeritus Professor of Public International Law, University of Leiden; former UN Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian Territory occupied since 1967

**Verity Coyle**, Senior Advisor, Amnesty International

**Cindy Ebbs**, Senior Policy Advisor and Acting co-Director, Control Arms

**Shirine Jurdi**, Permanent Peace Movement member of Control Arms; executive member of Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF) Lebanon; team leader of Campaign to Stop Killer Robots in Lebanon

**Time: 16:30 - 18:00 CEST**

**RSVP: Please e-mail [palestine.un@bluewin.ch](mailto:palestine.un@bluewin.ch) with your name and affiliation**  
**Zoom meeting link: Will be shared with registered participants**

Excellencies, dear colleagues,

The State of Palestine is pleased to invite you to an upcoming side event on the margins of the Seventh Conference of States Parties to the Arms Trade Treaty (ATT CSP7), entitled “**Upholding legal obligations under the ATT: the case of the Palestinian people**” to be held online on **Tuesday 31 August 2021 from 4:30pm to 6pm CEST.**

**What:** A panel of experts will explore the extent to which ATT States Parties and Signatories have implemented or abided by the legal provisions of the ATT, particularly Articles 6 and 7, in relation to the trade of arms used to commit serious violations against the Palestinian people and perpetuate their occupation. They will discuss these issues from a legal perspective and by drawing on lessons from relevant historical experiences. The event hopes to spark a discussion on options for enhanced cooperation to prevent and more effectively combat the irresponsible trade of conventional arms and increase adherence to international legal frameworks.

**When and where:** Tuesday 31 August 2021 from 16:30 - 18:00 CEST (online)

**Participants:** The side event will be open to ATT States Parties and Signatories, international and regional bodies, civil society organizations, academics and other relevant stakeholders working on or interested in issues pertaining to irresponsible trade in conventional arms and ensuring accountability.

**Language:** English

**RSVP:** Please register by sending an e-mail with your name and affiliation to [palestine.un@bluewin.ch](mailto:palestine.un@bluewin.ch)

**The Zoom link to access the event will be provided by e-mail to registered participants prior to the event.**

The State of Palestine would greatly value your participation.