

The BDS Coalition unequivocally supports the states of the global South that have come together as The Hague Group to pursue collective action against Apartheid Israel for its violations of international law. For too long, Israel has acted with impunity, committing crimes against humanity, war crimes, and acts of aggression against the Palestinian people with no meaningful consequences. This coordinated effort by Belize, Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Honduras, Namibia, Senegal, South Africa, and Malaysia represents a crucial step towards justice and accountability.

The Hague Group's focus on legal, economic, and diplomatic measures offers a tangible pathway to challenge Israel's ongoing violations, including the illegal blockade of Gaza, the disproportionate use of force against civilians, and the continued expansion of illegal settlements. We commend these nations for their commitment to upholding international law and for standing in solidarity with the inalienable rights of the Palestinian people to self-determination.

This initiative aligns perfectly with the BDS movement's goals of ending international complicity with Israel's genocide, ethnic cleansing, and settler-colonial apartheid against the Palestinian people, demanding that Israel comply with international law, and enable Palestinian refugees to return to their homes and lands.

The statement adopted following the inaugural meeting of The Hague Group commits states to:

1. Uphold the arrest warrants issued against Israeli officials by the International Criminal Court;

- 2. Prevent provision or transfer of arms, munitions, and related equipment to Israel, where there is a clear risk that they might be used to violate international law; and
- 3. Prevent the docking of vessels at any of their ports where there is a risk of the vessel being used to carry military fuel and weaponry to Israel.

You can read the full text of The Hague Group's Inaugural Statement here.

We agree with The Hague Group's statement that there is an urgent need to ensure accountability for Israel's most serious crimes under international law through appropriate, fair, and independent investigations and prosecutions at the national or international level, and to ensure justice for all victims and the prevention of future crimes. We urge other nations and international bodies to join the Hague Group's effort and to take concrete steps to pressure Israel to respect Palestinian rights and adhere to international legal standards. The time for empty condemnations is over. The time for action is now.