THE AMERICAN ALLIANCE for Palestinian Human Rights

2435 Virginia Ave. NW • Washington, DC 20037
(202) 342-8347

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
Robert Listou

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

Gail Homesack
President

Robert Listou
Secretary - Treasurer

Jeremy Levin
Journalist and former hostage in Lebanon
World Peacemakers

Cynthia Johnson
Women Strike for Peace

Reverend Jeanne MacKenzie
Westminster Presbyterian Church
Washington, D.C.

EDITORIAL BOARD

Alexander A. Di Lella, O.F.M.
Professor of Biblical Studies
The Catholic University of America

Brother Austin David, F.S.C., PhD.
Director of Information
Catholic Near East Welfare Association, New York

Samih Farsoun, PhD.
Professor of Sociology
American University

Mary Gray, PhD.
Professor of Mathematics/Statistics
American University

Peter Gubser
Director, American Near East Refugee Aid

J. Bryan Hehir
Senior Research Scholar
Kennedy Institute for Ethics

Father Vertanes Kalaygian
St. Mary's Armenian Apostolic Church, Washington, D.C.

Reverend George D. McClain
Executive Director
Methodist Federation for Social Action

Richard McSorley, S.J.
Director, Center for Peace Studies
Georgetown University

Father Joseph Nangle, O.F.M.
Conference of Major Superiors of Men

Joseph Schechla
Director, EAFORD

Hisham Sharabi, PhD.
Professor of History
Georgetown University

Joseph Stork
Editor, MERIP
Washington, D.C., New York

Reverend Gordon Webster
Presbyterian Church, Oneida., N.Y.

Organizations listed for identification purposes only.

INTERNATIONAL LAW

DOES THE USA RESPECT THE FOURTH GENEVA CONVENTION OR WILL WE BRING IT INTO DISREPUTE BY IGNORING IT?

The Fourth Geneva Convention guarantees international protection to civilians in occupied territories.

The integrity of states which have ratified the Fourth Geneva Convention is now being tested.

One of those states is Israel - the government of which has chosen (see back) to reject its obligations under the Fourth Geneva Convention and has been accused of flagrantly abusing Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Another is the United States of America - which by its sole negative vote in the 15-state UN Security Council, prevented the placement of a UN observer in the Occupied Territories.

But the UN Security Council does not have the last word in matters such as this. Consequently all States Signatory to the Fourth Geneva Convention have received an appeal to act in the United Nations to:

Station an observer force in Occupied Territories

Act to prevent further breaches of the Convention by Israel's military forces.

The appeal on June 7, 1990 to the States Signatory to the Fourth Geneva Convention was made by:

Al-Haq, the West Bank affiliate of the International Commission of Jurists, and the

Palestine Human Rights Information Center of the Jerusalem-based Arab Studies Society.

Organizations which advocate Palestinian human rights should urge US support of the June 7 appeal to the UN. Do it by:

Writing
Secretary of State James Baker
2201 C Street NW
Washington, DC 20515

* Calling
White House
202-456-7639

State Department
202-647-6575

* You need not identify yourself to the person (or machine) who records your brief dispassionate statement.