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Shared Calendar of Events

Please click on link to see a full calendar of aid coordination meetings:

http://www.ldf.ps/EventCalendarEndUser.aspx

Documents & Reports

United Nations

- **OCHA**

  - Humanitarian Bulletin – December 2017, 15 January 2018
    http://www.ldf.ps/documentsShow.aspx?ATT_ID=34025
  - Gaza Crossings' Operations Status – December 2017, 11 January 2018
    http://www.ldf.ps/documentsShow.aspx?ATT_ID=34022
  - Protection of Civilians Report 19 December 2017 – 1 January 2018
    http://www.ldf.ps/documentsShow.aspx?ATT_ID=33021

- **WHO**

  - Health Access for Referral Patients from the Gaza Strip – November 2017, 10 January 2018
    http://www.ldf.ps/documentsShow.aspx?ATT_ID=34018

Press Releases and Formal Statements

EU

Local EU statement on the situation regarding Palestinian children arrested, detained and prosecuted by Israeli authorities, 12 January 2018

The European Union Missions in Jerusalem and Ramallah express their deep concern regarding the circumstances of the recent arrests of two Palestinian minors, Ahed Tamimi and Fawzi Muhammad al-Juneidi, as well as the fatal shooting by Israeli security forces of another Palestinian minor, 17-year old Musaab al-Tamimi, during protests in the occupied West Bank on 3 January. It is estimated that more than 300 Palestinian children are currently being held in Israeli military detention.

The European Union and EU Missions in Jerusalem and Ramallah recall the importance of respecting and protecting the rights of the child, including and in particular during arrest, detention and

judicial procedures. The EU calls on Israeli authorities to respond proportionately to protests, and open investigations following fatalities, in particular when involving a minor.

The full statement is available at the following link:

http://www.ldf.ps/documentsShow.aspx?ATT_ID=34021

PCBS

Slight Increase in the CPI during 2017, 14 January 2018

The overall CPI for Palestine during 2017 slightly increased by 0.21% compared with 2016 (by 2.18% in Jerusalem J1, and by 0.11% in Gaza Strip, while it slightly decreased by 0.01% in the West Bank).

The full press release is available at the following link:

http://www.ldf.ps/documentsShow.aspx?ATT_ID=34023 (in English)

http://www.ldf.ps/documentsShow.aspx?ATT_ID=34024 (in Arabic)

A Joint Meeting between the Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS) and the Representative Office of Canada in Ramallah, 10 January 2017

A meeting was held between PCBS' President Ms. Ola Awad and a delegation from the Representative Office of Canada in Ramallah headed by the Representative of Canada to the Palestinian Authority Mr. Douglas Scott Proudfoot at PCBS HQ's on Wednesday January 10st 2018 to have the latest update on PCBS' scope of work and discuss potential forms of mutual future cooperation between the two parties.

Ms. Ola Awad; the President of PCBS welcomed the delegation and explained PCBS' role in contributing to the overall governmental strategy and state building by providing evidence based data on a sectorial level. Ms. Awad elaborated on the importance of data utilization in decision and policy making levels and mentioned that the quality of the data was and will remain the main pillar of PCBS' strategy, the confidence in Palestine's official statistics is supported by being a member of many international standards and quality assurance institutions.

The full press release is available at the following link:

http://www.ldf.ps/documentsShow.aspx?ATT_ID=34019 (in English)

http://www.ldf.ps/documentsShow.aspx?ATT_ID=34020 (in Arabic)

Decrease in the Industrial Production Index (IPI) in Palestine During November, 2017

The overall IPI in Palestine reached 109.23 during November 2017 with a decrease of 1.00% compared to the previous month (Base Month December 2015 = 100).

IPI for November 2017 decreased due to the decrease in the activities of Electricity, Gas, Steam and Air Conditioning Supply by 8.42% which had a share of 11.98% of the total industry, the activities of Mining and Quarrying by 2.73% which had a share of 4.06% of the total industry, the activities of Water Supply, Sewerage, Waste Management and Remediation by 2.57% which had a share of 0.78% of the total industry, and the activities of Manufacturing Industry by 0.15% which had a share of 83.19% of the total industry.

The full press release is available at the following link:

http://www.ldf.ps/documentsShow.aspx?ATT_ID=33019 (in English)

http://www.ldf.ps/documentsShow.aspx?ATT_ID=33020 (in Arabic)

Newsletters

- **The Portland Trust Palestinian Economic Bulletin, December 2017**
  http://www.ldf.ps/documentsShow.aspx?ATT_ID=33011