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To the attention of the International Court of Justice,

Since the beginning of October 2023, the Israeli armed forces have bombed neighbourhoods, houses, schools, hospitals, United Nations refugee centres and evacuation routes, killing more than 22.000 Palestinians, more than half of whom are women and children.

On 29 December 2023, the Republic of South Africa filed an application against Israel at the International Court of Justice (ICJ) to investigate human right violations in Palestine invoking the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide.

According to the application, they affirm, “acts and omissions by Israel are genocidal in character, as they are committed with the requisite specific intent... to destroy Palestinians in Gaza as a part of the broader Palestinian national, racial and ethnical group”. Moreover, during this period, the leaders of the State of Israel have made declarations where they openly show their intentions of ejecting permanently the Palestinian people from their territory. For this reason, South Africa believes that “Israel, since 7 October 2023 in particular, has failed to prevent genocide and has failed to prosecute the direct and public incitement to genocide” and affirms that “Israel has engaged in, is engaging in and risks further engaging in genocidal acts against the Palestinian people in Gaza”.

For this reason, we, the undersigned Members of the European Parliament, would like to show:

- Our support to the application filed by the Republic of South Africa to cease the genocide taking place in Palestine and which has already caused more than 22.000 deaths.
- The implementation of the provisional measures proposed by the Republic of South Africa in order to “protect against further, severe and irreparable harm to the rights of the Palestinian people under the Genocide Convention” and “to ensure Israel’s compliance with its obligations under the Genocide Convention not to engage in genocide, and to prevent and to punish genocide”.

Sincerely,

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