

**NGO APPLICATIONS FOR ACCREDITATION TO THE COMMITTEE**

19 July 2006

1. The organizations listed below have informed the Secretariat that they fully supported and endorsed the mandate and programme of work of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People and adhered to and accepted the accreditation criteria established by the Committee at its 206th meeting, held on 25 May 1994.
2. The Committee is requested to consider the enclosed NGO applications. Once the Committee approves the applications, the NGOs will be invited to participate in future meetings organized under the auspices of the Committee.

Africa

**Palestine Solidarity Committee**  
Crown Mines, South Africa

**Muslim Youth Movement of South Africa**  
Durban, South Africa

**Talented Youths International**  
Benin City, Edo State, Nigeria

Europe

**Trocaire**  
County Kildare, Ireland

Middle East

**Elhanan Benevolent** (Observer)  
Khan Younis, Gaza Strip  
via Israel

United States

**Americans United for Palestinian Human Rights**  
Portland, Oregon

# ***Request for accreditation***

## **Palestine Solidarity Committee - South Africa (PSCSA)**

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<b>PRINCIPAL OFFICER(S)</b> N'eem Jeenah, Spokesperson	<b>ADDRESS</b> P.O. Box 1247 Crown Mines 2025 COUNTRY: South Africa
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<b>DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION</b> The PSC was formed in 1998 as a secular initiative to promote the Palestinian cause in South Africa and to lead an international anti-apartheid movement against apartheid Israel. PSC members are well-known political and trade union activists cultural workers, sports and religious personalities and former anti-apartheid activists from a number of political backgrounds.  The PSC declaration focuses on the parallels between South African and Israeli apartheid and the parallels between the liberation struggles. It calls for an end to Israeli occupation, the return of the Palestinian refugees and for the establishment of a secular democratic Palestinian state.  PSC members are also member of the Political and Media Committee of the National Consultative Forum on Palestine (NCFP which is a forum where various organizations working in different ways on Palestinian support could liaise with each other, share ideas and develop common programs).
<b>DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES</b> Lobbying, protests, BDS campaigns, hosting Palestinians in South Africa
<b>AFFILIATION TO UN/OTHERS</b>
<b>PARTICIPATION IN MEETINGS HELD UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE COMMITTEE: ACTIVITY, DATE, PLACE</b> Attended international meetings in New York, Paris, Rabat, Cape Town

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## **Muslim Youth Movement of South Africa (MYMSA)**

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<b>PRINCIPAL OFFICER(S)</b> Ebrahim Mputhlane Wa Bofelo	<b>ADDRESS</b> PO Box 86 Durban 4000 COUNTRY: South Africa
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<b>DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION</b> <p>The Muslim Youth Movement of South Africa (MYM) is based on the ideology of Islam as embodied in the Koran and its ideology for justice and charity which unites people regardless of colour, class or nationality. The MYM was founded on 16 December 1970 in Durban as a response to the social problems arising from the then practiced policy of Apartheid.</p> <p>Its aims are to promote the Islamic value system as a solution facing the Islamic peoples of South Africa and to train, educate and develop the character of youth in order to pursue these aims and objectives. In addition it aims to mobilize the Muslim community to channel resources into constructive action for social change.</p> <p>MYM struggles for a unified South Africa free from political tyranny, economic exploitation and moral degradation and aims to form links with Islamic and other movements with similar aims and objectives.</p> <p>MYM strives to form local, regional and national structures which will ensure the grassroots organisation of the movement.</p>
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<b>DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES</b> Seminars, workshops, campaigns to educate Muslims based on the ethos of consultation (shura) and accountability (muhasabah).
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<b>AFFILIATION TO UN/OTHERS</b>
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<b>PARTICIPATION IN MEETINGS HELD UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE COMMITTEE: ACTIVITY, DATE, PLACE</b> Attended the UN African Meeting on the Question of Palestine, Capetown, South Africa
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## **Talented Youths International (TYI)**

<b>Talented Youths International</b>	<b>TYI</b>
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<b>PRINCIPAL OFFICER(S)</b> Mr. Iyamu A. Osariemen, President Prince Osama Agho, Vice-President Ms. Lily R. Otamere, Treasurer Ms. Esohe Edo, Secretary	<b>ADDRESS</b> 2, Iyekemosa Street, off Iwegie Street Benin City, Edo State 23452 <b>COUNTRY:</b> Nigeria
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<b>DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION</b> TYI is an international youth led organization whose secretariat is situated in Edo State in Nigeria. The organization is committed to inspiring young people all over the world to create positive change. The organization focuses on anti- social vices such as drug abuse and health concerns, including HIV/AIDS that have made sustainable development and world peace impossible, water and sanitation problems, as well as problems of sustaining world peace.
<b>DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES</b> Organizes a yearly youth congress which serves as a training and social gathering at which topical issues and problems affecting youth, the state and nation, including youth diasporas would be discussed in the form of seminars/workshops/symposiums. Concerned in the plight of other nations in general and in particular the plight of the Palestinian people.
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## Trocaire

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PRINCIPAL OFFICER(S) Justin Kilcullen	ADDRESS Trocaire Maynooth, County Kildare COUNTRY: Ireland
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<p>DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION</p> <p>Trocaire is the official overseas development agency of the Catholic Church in Ireland. It was set up by the Irish Catholic Bishops in 1973 to express the concern of the Irish Church for the suffering of the world's poorest and most oppressed people.</p> <p>Trocaire which means "compassion" in the Irish language, draws its inspiration from Scriptures and the social teachings of the Catholic Church. The agency strives to promote human development and social justice in line with Gospel values.</p>
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<p>DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES</p> <p>Trocaire was given a dual mandate: to support long-term development projects overseas and to provide relief during emergencies; and at home to inform the Irish public about the root causes of poverty and injustice and mobilize the public to bring about global change. Trocaire runs a small human rights programme with Palestinian and Israeli partners. Its primary concern is with the protection of human rights and providing access to justice for victims of human rights violations.</p>
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## **Elhanan Benevolent**

<b>Elhanan Benevolent</b>		
<b>PRINCIPAL OFFICER(S)</b> Emad Zakout	<b>ADDRESS</b> 80-Abu sultan Building El-Amal area Khan Younis, Gaza Strip COUNTRY: via Israel	
<b>DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION</b> Elhanan Benevolent provides social support systems in the form of cultural projects, especially for women and children.		
<b>DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES</b> Programmes for children ages 3-5 yrs; construction of gardens; building of an educational and supervisory club, training courses for women for psychological support.		
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## **Americans United for Palestinian Human Rights (AUPHR)**

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<b>PRINCIPAL OFFICER(S)</b> Peter Miller, President	<b>ADDRESS</b> P.O. Box 12054 Portland, OR 97212 COUNTRY: USA
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<b>DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION</b> AUPHR is an association of American taxpayers united by a mutual concern for human rights in general and Palestinian human rights in particular. Members come from all religious backgrounds, cultures, national origins and political persuasions. It is an open, locally based organization unaffiliated with other groups, though seeking to complement the work of others who share similar concerns. Its aim is to eliminate the substantial U.S. funding and discriminatory US policies that directly or indirectly support the oppression and violation of human rights of the Arab population in Israel and the Palestinians in the Occupied Territory. It promotes this through public education and political and legal action.
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<b>DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES</b> Sponsorship of educational fora (a committee sends speakers to public schools for lectures/presentations on the issue), provision of briefings to congressional staff (a committee is responsible for lobbying elected officials on Palestinian human rights), produce reports on media bias in the region with respect to the Israeli Palestinian conflict (a committee is organized to confront inaccuracies), send community leaders to the Occupied Palestinian Territory (e.g. Christian Outreach: a committee that is involved with engaging Christian leaders and their congregations), produce fact sheets for dissemination, work in coalition with other human rights organizations, locally, nationally and internationally.
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<b>PARTICIPATION IN MEETINGS HELD UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE COMMITTEE: ACTIVITY, DATE, PLACE</b>  UN International Conference of NGOs in Support of the Palestinian People, 4-5 September 2003, New York; UN International Conference of NGOs in Support of the Palestinian People, September 2004 (Zaha Hassan served as a resource person).
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