

Submission sheet

Individuals, groups and organizations wishing to submit information and documentation to the United Nations Independent International Commission of Inquiry on the occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and Israel (hereafter the “COI”) are kindly asked to fill in this sheet with any information they are able to provide, and attach it to their submissions.

It is not a requirement to provide all requested information if not available, though particular attention should be given to filling in the section on consent.

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Relationship of submitting entity/individual to the alleged victim/s	
Human rights violation/s or abuses alleged to have occurred	
Violations of the laws and customs of war (international humanitarian law)	Incitement to violence and terrorism by Ekrima Sa'id Sabri, a prominent Muslim religious figure in Jerusalem. Sabri, who previously served as Mufti of Jerusalem is known as a leading preacher in the Al-Aqsa Mosque and east Jerusalem. The amounts of incitement against Jews and antisemitic statements, including Holocaust denial, that have been heard from him indicates that his goal is clearly to create more violence and take advantage of the earlier terrorist attacks to generate further escalation around Jerusalem. As long as Sabri continues to receive a free stage to incite, the danger is imminent. In a 1999 interview regarding the political situation on the Temple Mount, Sabri stated, "If the Jews want peace, they will stay away from Al Aksa. This is a decree from God. The Haram al-Sharif belongs to the Muslim. But we know the Jew is planning on destroying the Haram. The Jew will get the Christian to do his work for him. This is the way of the Jews. This is the way

Satan manifests himself. The majority of the Jews want to destroy the mosque. They are preparing this as we speak." **This is racist incitement against Jews.**

In a 2000 interview with the Italian newspaper la Repubblica, Sabri responded to a question about the Holocaust by stating, "Six million Jews dead? No way, they were much fewer. Let's stop with this fairytale exploited by Israel to capture international solidarity. It is not my fault if Hitler hated Jews, indeed they were hated a little everywhere. Instead, it is necessary to denounce the unjust occupation endured by my people. Tomorrow I will ask John Paul II... to support our cause." **This is Holocaust denial, a form of antisemitism.**

On 20 February 2005, Sabri appeared on Saudi Arabian Al Majd TV. Sabri stated, "Anyone who studies The Protocols of the Elders of Zion and specifically the Talmud will discover that one of the goals of these Protocols is to cause confusion in the world and to undermine security throughout the world." **This is a classical antisemitic conspiracy theory.**

He defended violence against Jews in the Al-Aqsa site itself as "legitimate self-defense," in an interview with The Times of Israel in 2015.

On 22 November 2021, the day after a major Palestinian terrorist attack in Jerusalem, Sabri threatened on Twitter: "Extremist Jewish groups are trying to attack al-Aqsa. We place full responsibility for any incident that occurs on the Israeli occupier. Pressure produces an explosion. Al-Aqsa is a red line. "

On 23 November 2021, Sheikh Sabri again issued a statement of threats and racism against Israeli Jews from the Supreme Islamic Council in Jerusalem:

"Whoever commits or has done injustice to the Al-Aqsa Mosque knows what discrimination he will receive. We must protect Al-Aqsa and the holy places, in the end violence will only lead to counter-violence. We keep our promise to adhere to our legitimate rights, we will not give up any of these places and we will refuse tours of Israeli schools in the Al-Aqsa Mosque. We call on the Palestinian people to make their way to it at all times and every day."

On 24 November 2021, Sheikh Sabri again: "We open with an appeal to all Palestinians to make the journey to Al Aqsa. Whoever opened the door for the settlers to wander and pray in Al Aqsa – shall be denied!"

On 19 November 2021, Sabri participated in a memorial service marking the 88th anniversary of the death of terrorist Izz a-Din al-Qassam in the Israeli town of Neshar. Al-Qassam is one of the prominent figures of radical Islam in the early 20th century. He set up terrorist organizations that attacked and murdered French, British and Jews. The military faction of Hamas, the Izz ad-Din al-Qassam Brigades, and the Qassam rockets fired at Israeli settlements around the Gaza Strip are named after him.

Sheikh Sabri said at the ceremony: "We came to read al-Fatiha (a prayer in memory of the deceased) for his pure soul for the sacrifices he made and for him. A history rich in jihad"

By glorifying terrorists and calling for violence, Sabri's incitement caused further escalation and additional violence and terrorism from the Palestinian side.

Date/s of incident/time period	
Place of incident	Village/township/city: Jerusalem, Nesher Province:
Name/s of alleged victim/s gender, age	Name: Gender: Age: Father's name: Nationality: Israeli Jews Profession: Phone number/email: Address:
Identification of those allegedly responsible	Name of alleged perpetrator if known: Sheikh Ekrima Sa'id Sabri (Arabic: عكرمة سعيد صبري) - born 1939. State or non-state entity with which perpetrator is affiliated, if any: Palestinian Authority Any identifying marks of the perpetrator which indicate their affiliation, such as the colour or pattern of their uniform and uniform's insignia:
Description of the incident(s)/allegations (2000-word limit)	Detailed description of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - the incident(s) or alleged violation(s), including dates, specific locations (e.g. street, building) and number and types and name(s) of victim(s) - the context in which they took place - alleged perpetrators - alleged motive Please also include information on the impact of these violations, as well as age and gender-sensitive considerations (e.g. how these violations affected women and men, girls and boys differently).
Description of the State's response, (500-word limit)	Indicate whether the incident was reported to the authorities: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If yes, which authorities: Information on any investigations, judicial processes, decision/judgements and sentences, including reparations, in response to the incident:
Methodology employed in the collection of information	Please provide a description of the methodology employed in the collection of the information shared- primary, secondary sources, means of verification, etc., along with how informed consent was gained from the information provider. If needed, attach a copy of the relevant standard operating procedures followed.
Consent	Please indicate whether you, the person submitting the information, agree to the following use of the information by the COI with or without personally identifiable data: <u>INFORMED CONSENT TO USE THE INFORMATION:</u>

	<p>1. Use internally and publicly (e.g. public report, press release), with <input type="checkbox"/> without <input type="checkbox"/> personally identifiable data. Agree</p> <p>2. Use internally only (within the COI), with <input type="checkbox"/> without <input type="checkbox"/> personally identifiable data. Agree</p> <p><u>INFORMED CONSENT TO SHARE THE INFORMATION:</u></p> <p>1. Raise the case with national authorities, courts or accountability mechanisms that respect international standards (including due process) with <input type="checkbox"/> without <input type="checkbox"/> personally identifiable data. Agree</p> <p>2. Share info with national human rights institutions, with <input type="checkbox"/> without <input type="checkbox"/> personally identifiable data. Agree</p> <p>3. Refer to national or international organizations (including UN human rights mechanisms and other UN entities) providing victim assistance (e.g. ICRC, medical, legal), with <input type="checkbox"/> without <input type="checkbox"/> personally identifiable data. Agree</p> <p>5. Share info with international and regional courts – including the International Criminal Court (ICC) -, or accountability mechanisms of other States that respect international standards (including due process) with <input type="checkbox"/> without <input type="checkbox"/> personally identifiable data. Agree</p> <p><u>Additional Details on Consent:</u></p> <p>Please indicate if consent to provide this information to the CoI has been received from the alleged victims (any consent given must be provided by the victim or by relatives or legal representatives on their behalf, or by a parent/legal guardian in case of a child) Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>; consent provided by: _____</p> <p>If necessary, please explain:</p>
<p>Description of any broader issues not related to specific violations (2000-word limit)</p>	<p>Description should be succinct, highlighting issues of relevance to the mandate of the COI, and include concrete examples whenever possible.</p> <p>Please also include information on the impact of these violations, as well as age and gender-sensitive considerations (e.g. how these violations affected women and men, girls and boys differently) as relevant.</p>
<p>Any other human rights NGOs to whom you reported the incident</p>	<p>If appropriate, please provide name and contact information of any other person or organization to whom the incident was reported.</p>

<p>Additional materials (documents, images, videos, etc) relevant to the incident(s)/allegation(s)</p>	<p>Please indicate, if you are aware of, or in possession of, any additional materials from other sources (including the media and NGOs) in which the above incident(s)/allegations are cited, that are deemed relevant/useful. The COI may follow-up at a later date in order to receive the material(s) indicated.</p> <p>Date of publication: October 17, 2006</p> <p>Title: TOP PALESTINIAN MUSLIM CLERIC OKAYS SUICIDE BOMBINGS, By Yaniv Berman, The Media Line, October 17, 2006</p> <p>Source (author/organisation): The Media Line</p> <p>Web link;</p> <p>https://web.archive.org/web/20120213225316/http://spme.net/cgi-bin/articles.cgi?ID=1280</p> <p>Type of material: 1 Documents <input type="checkbox"/> (total doc); Image <input type="checkbox"/> (total images); Video <input type="checkbox"/> (total videos); Other (please specify)</p> <p>Date of publication: March 29, 2000</p> <p>Title: ...[Pope] Wojtyla Free Us From the Jews - An Interview With the Grand Mufti of Jerusalem About the Pope's Visit</p> <p>Source (author/organisation): MEMRI</p> <p>Web link;</p> <p>https://www.memri.org/reports/%E2%80%A6popo-wojtyla-free-us-jews-interview-grand-mufti-jerusalem-about-pope%E2%80%99s-visit</p> <p>Date of publication: 2007</p> <p>Title: Hypermedia Seduction for Terrorist Recruiting</p> <p>Source (author/organisation): IOS Press</p> <p>Web link;</p> <p>https://books.google.co.il/books?id=ybQkSwzkTY4C&q=ekrima&pg=PA5&redir_esc=y#v=snippet&q=ekrima&f=false</p> <p>Date of publication: 2015</p> <p>Title: Al-Aqsa preacher reported detained and barred, as holy site set to reopen</p> <p>Source (author/organisation): Times of Israel</p> <p>Web link;</p>
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