



On the 24th anniversary of the detention of leader Marwan Barghouti

The liberation of our detainees is a right and a moral humanitarian obligation, required by justice and affirmed by history, in the face of a prolonged injustice that continues to intensify with each passing day.

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Today marks the 24th anniversary of the detention of the leader and national figure, a member of Fatah's Central Committee, Marwan Barghouti. These years are added to seven earlier years that he spent behind the occupation's bars, as well as seven more he endured in forced exile from his homeland, alongside many years of pursuit and repeated assassination attempts that pursued him, yet failed to weaken his determination or shake his steadfast will.

This anniversary comes as leader Barghouti remains confined under enforced isolation imposed by the Israeli prison service, where he endures solitary confinement alongside a



group of fellow detainees and leaders of the prisoners' movement, under extremely harsh conditions. These conditions are the product of a systematic regime of abuse deeply rooted in the Israeli prison system, which, particularly in the aftermath of the crime of genocide, has become a parallel arena to that very crime .

The organized violations committed against detainees have thus become an evidence of a genocidal policy that uses detainees as its domain, at a time when the occupation seeks to carry out executions through legislation to target Palestinian detainees, as part of broader processes of erasure and ethnic cleansing.

Since the onset of the genocide, leader Barghouti, like thousands of Palestinian and Arab detainees held in occupation prisons, has been exposed to ongoing assaults, systematic abuse, and the imposition of isolation that disconnects him from the outside world. His family, like thousands of other detainees' families, has been deprived of visiting him, and the International Committee of the Red Cross has likewise been prevented from access. The latest of these attacks was documented in the testimony of the lawyer who was able to visit him on 12/04/2026. According to this account, prison suppression units carried out three brutal assaults against Barghouti recently: on 08/04/2026, 25/03/2026, and 24/03/2026. In all three instances, various methods of force and physical violence were used, resulting in numerous injuries and bleeding across his body, without any medical care being provided.

It is important to note that the isolation imposed on leader Barghouti and the assaults he faces today are not new within the course of his imprisonment; rather, he has encountered them repeatedly at earlier stages. However, each time, he has transformed this isolation and the continuous attempts to break him into a front of resistance against the occupation. To this day, the prison service continues to implement a policy of isolation and repeated transfers against him and other leaders of the prisoners' movement, in a persistent attempt to eliminate them both morally and physically through assault, isolation, starvation, and physical as well as psychological torture.

We further emphasize that, despite the occupation's efforts over decades to marginalize the leaders and activists of our people behind prison walls, leader Barghouti and his fellow detainees have defeated this attempt through resilience and relentless dedication. From within captivity, they have forged instruments of struggle grounded in their unwavering belief in the inevitability of freedom, independence, and return, transforming imprisonment from an imposed endpoint into a renewed arena of resistance, without abandoning their vanguard leadership role.

On this anniversary, we reaffirm that leader Marwan Barghouti, with the national and international Palestinian symbolism he embodies, has long fought for the liberation of his people and homeland. Alongside him, hundreds of Palestinian leaders remain detained behind the occupation's bars. The time has come for his freedom and that of all his fellow detainees to be achieved .

This freedom is not only a humanitarian demand, but also a national, moral, and global duty, mandated by justice and demanded by history in the face of an enduring injustice that continues to deepen day after day.