



OXFAM REACTION TO ICJ RULING ON SOUTH AFRICA'S CASE AGAINST ISRAEL

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In reaction to today's statement by the International Court of Justice order to <u>South Africa's</u> <u>court case</u>, which requests Israel to take all measures within its power to prevent and punish the commission of all acts in relation to the articles of the Genocide Convention, Aleema Shivji, interim CEO, Oxfam GB said:

"Oxfam welcomes the International Court of Justice's order and provisional measures as a crucial step towards recognizing the ongoing atrocities in Gaza and stopping the bloodshed and unimaginable horrors that 2.3 million Palestinians have already endured.

"After more than 100 days of indiscriminate bombing in which it has killed more than 25,000 people, sparked a horrific mass displacement of civilians, weaponized starvation and systemically denied them adequate aid, the Israeli government must immediately abide by the court ruling.

"The UK government must respect the court ruling, and cease its complicity in the crisis, starting by immediately stopping arms sales to Israel given the risk of them being used to commit war crimes and calling for an immediate and permanent ceasefire. Anything less will be a stain on the UK's reputation as an upholder of international law.

"Palestinians should not have to endure another day of this suffering. We urge the UK and all countries to do all in their power to ensure those responsible for violations on both sides are

held accountable, to secure the release of all hostages and detainees, and to end Israel's decades-long occupation of Palestinian territory."

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