

Committee: SPECPOL

Topic: Israeli-Palestinian Conflict: The Military Occupation of the Gaza Strip and Its Implications

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Canada is one of the most peaceful and humanitarian country since the past, in the world. Peacekeeping is a vital component of Canada's foreign policy, and consists of a reputation that has been established from years of experience. Canada has always tried to find positive solutions to global problems. Today, one of that global problem is Israel-Palestinian conflict which is going from bad to worse. Canada is deeply concerned by the suffering of the innocent people, and remains strongly committed to promotion and protection of democracy and human rights. We strongly condemn the demonstrations taking place across the country in support of Hamas' attacks against Israel. We state that we support Israel's right to self-defense. We demand compliance with international humanitarian law, including the protection of civilians. As we all know Canada is a peaceable country. International human rights law must always be respected. So we have to accept that also Palestinian people have rights of self-defense. In the written statement made by the Canadian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, it was emphasized that there are serious concerns about the forced displacement of Palestinians in the West Bank.

We believe it is "necessary" for humanitarian aid to reach civilians in Gaza. Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau called for the opening of a humanitarian corridor so that aid can reach the Gaza Strip, which is under Israeli blockade and access to basic services has been cut off. While there is a crisis in Gaza, the West Bank and Israel, the security situation in the region has become very uncertain. Otherwise this situation is also a threat to neighboring countries. For this reason our government is trying to help for a brighter future for both sides.