BUDGET DEBATE VOTE 28, 24 & 21: Police (including Independent Police Investigate Director)

Thank you, Honourable Chair,

We would like to commend the Portfolio Committee for their oversight role to ensure that there is a clean audit. Well done, the Chair.

Also, as you know, Honourable Chair, South Africa has the best Police Minister in Africa and Al-Jama-ah supports the work of our Minister of Police and we seem strengthened to bring crime to an end in South Africa.

However, Honourable Chair, Al-Jama-h calls on the South African Police to arrest and charge the two Jewish bodies based in Cape Town for supporting racism, a violation of international law which South Africa has signed. It is a criminal offence to support racism in apartheid Israel.

The United Nations Resolution on Apartheid makes it mandatory on all Member States to support the resolution against apartheid. Amnesty International has recognised apartheid as a crime and has called for the Israeli Authority to be held accountable for apartheid crimes. Section 232 of the Constitution, International Law is law in the Republic, so it is very important for the police to do their work.

We know the Minister is very busy in curbing crimes in South Africa and we have commended him, but he must not neglect his duties when South Africa has signed agreements to combat crime. Al-Jamal supports the Media Review Network for extending their unwavering support to the Palestinian Support Forum students at UCT who are facing attacks from the Zionist lobby in Cape Town. We salute and commend the University of Cape Town who have been in the news for refusing to act against the students.

Al-Jama-ah also welcomes the increase of 3.9% capacity for 17 capacity police stations. Well done Minister of Finance, Al-Jama-ah supports this budget.

Thank you very much.

**MR M.G.E Hendricks**

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