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The Honorable Commissioner Filippo Grandi
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Re: **Kingdom of Jordan violating Refugee Convention by denying Israeli and foreign citizens escaping Israel the right to file asylum and safe escape**

Dear Honorable Commissioner Grandi,

We wish to complain about the treatment of Jordanian border control officers when Israeli citizens, dual citizens and foreign nationals manage to evade Israel border control to cross into Jordan. Such escapes, usually near the several official border crossings, include people seeking to escape political persecution including persecution based on gender discrimination against men in the State of Israel.

In particular men in divorce proceedings are being discriminated against in every aspect of Israeli legislation and the judicial case administration. All their property, pensions and bank accounts are seized; their credit cards and licenses are forbidden; they are required to pay astronomical extortion fees in the guise of child support, and; they are forbidden to exit Israel under draconian no exit orders.

In 2011 we reported to the UN-Economic Social and Cultural Committee that Israel family courts treat men as sub-humans, the child custody laws allow women veto rights on the access of fathers to their children (thus creating parental alienation), that the child support rates are exorbitant and unconscionable and that every year 450 men in divorce proceedings commit suicide because of present policies of the State of Israel.

These cases include foreign nationals married to Israeli women who are trapped under no exit orders. Once their Israeli wives decide to divorce, the Israeli courts immediately issue no exit orders forbidding these men to return to their homelands. They become homeless in Israel and sleep in the beaches and parks. For them the State of Israel is one big ghetto.

Another group of people with no exit orders are those with debts at the Collections and Executions Office (Hebrew: the “Hotzaa Lapoal”). In Israel the usurious interest on debts can easily multiply the principal of a debt by 100% in one year or 1,000% in 10 years. The bankruptcy laws are too expensive and too exhausting, and these people find themselves in the streets. Their only hope is to escape Israel for a better future.

The Israeli court system does not offer any remedy since almost all Israeli judges are corrupt, loyal to the radical feminist inquisitional agenda and outright mendacious.

Some of their lives could be saved if the Jordanian Border Control allowed for their filing for asylum and safe passage, to allow their travel to a refuge, even to their national home country, via an international airport in the Kingdom of Jordan.

However, at present the Kingdom of Jordan complies with a bilateral agreement requiring the return of anyone who enters from Israel without Israel’s permit, their immediate return without granting an opportunity to seek international help and asylum.

By choosing to collaborate with the State of Israel and return all escapees back to Israel, the Kingdom of Jordan violates its undertakings under multilateral international conventions for the Rights of Refugees.

We ask for your intervention to influence the Kingdom of Jordan to respect the asylum rights of escapees from Israel, specifically to allow safe passage through an international airport so they can travel to safety and refuge outside Israel, including to own passport country.

Sincerely,



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