



# HUNGER STRIKE: BATTLE OF BREAKING THE CHAINS

Palestinian prisoners on strike to end imprisonment without charge or trial

There are over 5,500 Palestinians held in Israeli jails - 350 of them under administrative detention, without charge or trial. Palestinian detainees are refusing to eat since 20 August demanding an end to this illegal and unjust system. They are being held in solitary confinement and denied fresh air and cold water by the Israeli military.

**END ADMINISTRATIVE DETENTION!  
FREEDOM NOW!**

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## TAKE ACTION!

**1. Contact political officials in your country** – members of Parliament or Congress, or the Ministry/Department of Foreign Affairs or State – and demand that they cut aid and relations with Israel on the basis of its numerous violations of Palestinian rights including the systematic practice of administrative detention. Demand they pressure Israel to free the hunger strikers and end administrative detention.

**2. Boycott, Divest and Sanction.** Hold Israel accountable for its violations of international law. Don't buy Israeli goods, and campaign to end investments in corporations that profit from the occupation. G4S, a global security corporation, is heavily involved in providing services to Israeli prisons that jail Palestinian political prisoners – there is a global call to boycott it. Learn more about BDS at [bdsmovement.net](http://bdsmovement.net).

Dating from the era of the British colonial mandate over Palestine (Britain first brought administrative detention to Palestine), administrative detention is a mechanism by which the Israeli military imprisons Palestinians without charge or trial for indefinitely renewable periods of one to six months.

Administrative detention orders are routinely renewed three to four times. There are over 350 Palestinians held in administrative detention.

Administrative detainees are imprisoned based on the “secret file,” prepared by Israeli military intelligence and hidden from both detainees and their lawyers.

Israel's routine usage of administrative detention violates the Fourth Geneva Convention and international human rights law.

**Support Hunger Striking Palestinian Prisoners! Take action: [samidoun.net](http://samidoun.net)**