



The Palestinian Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions National Committee (BNC) is a wide coalition of the largest Palestinian mass organizations, trade unions, networks and organizations.

BNC member organizations:

Council of National and Islamic Forces in Palestine

Palestinian NGO Network (PNGO)

Palestinian Nat'l Institute for NGOs

Global Palestine Right of Return Coalition

Palestinian Trade Union Coalition for BDS (PTUC-BDS)

Federation of Indep. Trade Unions

Gen. Union of Palestinian Workers

Palestinian General Federation of Trade Unions

Gen. Union of Palestinian Women

Union of Palestinian Farmers

Gen. Union of Palestinian Teachers

Gen. Union of Palestinian Writers

Palestinian Federation of Unions of University Professors and Employees (PFUUPE)

Union of Professional Associations

Gen. Union of Palestinian Peasants

Union of Public Employees in Palestine-Civil Sector

Grassroots Palestinian Anti-Apartheid Wall Campaign (STW)

Popular Struggle Coordination Committee (PSCC)

Nat'l Committee for Grassroots Resistance

Pal. Campaign for the Academic and Cultural Boycott of Israel (PACBI)

Nat'l Committee to Commemorate the Nakba

Civic Coalition for the Defense of Palestinian Rights in Jerusalem

Coalition for Jerusalem

Union of Pal. Charitable Organizations

Palestinian Economic Monitor

Union of Youth Activity Centers-Palestine Refugee Camps

Occupied Palestine and Syrian Golan Heights Initiative

Palestinian Civil Society Salutes California Dockworkers and Endorses their "Block-the-Boat" BDS Action

Occupied Palestine, 23 September 2014 – The Palestinian Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions National Committee (BNC), the largest coalition in Palestinian society and the reference for the global BDS movement for Palestinian rights warmly salutes the Oakland, California dockworkers and community activists for their principled, ongoing and effective solidarity with the Palestinian struggle for freedom, justice and equality. We wholeheartedly endorse the planned port action to take place later this month.

By blocking an Israeli Zim ship for four consecutive days in August, at the height of the Israeli massacre in Gaza, Oakland workers and activists succeeded in standing, in deed and in word, with the 1.8 million Palestinians in the besieged and occupied Strip.

The [Call from Gaza](#) that was issued on 5 September, the BNC and the main trade and professional unions, women's associations and mass movements in Gaza, called for:

"Building effective direct action against Israel and Israeli companies, such as the inspiring [Block the Boat](#) actions that prevented Israeli ships from unloading in California and Seattle"

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