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FRENCH MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS JEAN-NOEL BARROT'S SPEECH

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FRANCE REAFFIRMS ITS HISTORIC DECISION TO RECOGNIZE THE STATE OF PALESTINE IN SEPTEMBER 2025

France, drawing on its war-torn history and commitment to human dignity and self-determination, has long championed the Two-State Solution for both Israel and Palestine. Barrot recalled the consistent French support for Israel's right to exist, while affirming that the Palestinian people are equally entitled to a state of their own.

"France has always stood by Israel's right to exist. But we also uphold the right of Palestinians to stand free and dignified in the land of their roots." French Minister of Foreign Affairs, stated Jean Noel Barrot

1. October 7th attacks by Hamas, called "the worst antisemitic massacre since the Shoah."
2. Prolonged military operations in Gaza, which Barrot says have lost any legitimate justification and have led to immense civilian suffering.
3. Ongoing settler violence and Israeli colonization in the West Bank, which Barrot described as undermining any prospect for a Palestinian state.

"How can we speak of peace when Gaza is now a place of death, and the West Bank is being carved out hill by hill?" French Minister of Foreign Affairs, Jean Noel Barrot questioned

IT IS A DIPLOMATIC MOMENTUM FOR FRANCE AND THE REST OF THE WORLD

France, alongside Saudi Arabia, has launched a new initiative to revive the Two-State Solution.

Key recent developments include:

- A historic letter from the Palestinian Authority denouncing Hamas, promising reform, elections, and demilitarization
- The Paris Civil Society Appeal on June 13 by Israeli and Palestinian citizens advocating for mutual security and the recognition of Palestine
- Strong condemnation of Hamas by Arab countries, with calls for normalization with Israel

"Palestine is not and will never be Hamas. Recognizing a Palestinian state isolates terrorism and empowers moderation." Insisted, French Minister of Foreign Affairs, Jean Noel Barrot, as he wanted to clarify this touchy point of the discussion

THE HOTTEST PLEDGE OF FRANCE IN ANNOUNCING RECOGNITION OF PALESTINE TO BE CONFIRMED IN SEPTEMBER AT UNGA

Quoting President Emmanuel Macron, Barrot confirmed that France will officially recognize the State of Palestine in September, at the UN General Assembly in New York, as a ledge that comes in a crucial period of the terrible current situation in Gaz where starvation is installed for weeks now..."Recognition is both a refusal and a call. A refusal to let war triumph over peace. A call to build hope where despair now reigns." French Minister of Foreign Affairs, Jean Noel Barrot recalled. This pledge is the beginning of the global Call to Action

French Minister of Foreign Affairs, Jean Noel Barrot issued a series of appeals:

1. To UN member states: join France and Saudi Arabia's peace initiative
2. To countries hesitant to recognize Palestine: don't let Hamas dictate the timeline of recognition
3. To Arab nations: resume normalization with Israel and dismantle rejectionist narratives
4. To the Israeli government: halt annexation plans, cease military operations in Gaza, and lift blockades
5. To Israeli and Palestinian peoples: reclaim the courage of peace leaders like Rabin and Arafat

He then made a wise statement "Don't let the rejectionists on both sides win. Not those dreaming of Greater Israel. Not those chanting 'From the river to the sea.'" And concluded his speech with a moral imperative in respect with to the final words, as French Minister of Foreign Affairs, Jean Noel Barrot closed with a strong reaffirmation of France's global role and moral responsibility. "France will not be dissuaded. We will do what history demands. Peace must not die on our watch."

FRENCH MINISTER BARROT CONCLUDES HIS ADDRESS IN A HOPEFUL MANNER

French Minister Jean Noel Barrot's address offers a beacon of hope amid the Gaza crisis, presenting a clear plan of action: recognition of Palestinian statehood by France in September, concerted international solidarity, and reforms across European diplomacy. With President Macron's announcement and the UN conference underway, a new diplomatic momentum is in motion.

If followed through, these steps could help lift the blockade on humanitarian aid, alleviate famine conditions, and pave the way toward ceasefire negotiations and durable peace. The global community now watches: will this French-led initiative become the turning point that Palestinians, Israelis, and civilians worldwide desperately need?...

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