Government of Reconciliation and National Unity of Nicaragua

PRESS RELEASE

The Government of Reconciliation and National Unity of Nicaragua welcomes South Africa's lawsuit before the International Court of Justice (ICJ) filed on December 29, 2023, against Israel for its violations of its obligations under the 1948 Convention for the Prevention and Punishment of Crimes of Genocide against the Palestinians in the Gaza Strip.

South Africa's lawsuit also includes a request for the Court to order provisional measures ordering Israel to stop its military campaign in Gaza to protect against further harm to the Rights of the Palestinian People under the Genocide Convention, and to ensure Israel's compliance with its obligations under the Convention.

Nicaragua considers that the legal action against Israel before the ICJ is a concrete step in compliance with the legal obligations that each state party to the Genocide
Convention has the right and duty to take and is also the first step towards accountability before the international community. As a State Party to the Genocide Convention, Nicaragua urges Israel to fulfill its obligations under International Law and to immediately end its military assault against the Palestinian People.

Nicaragua also calls for an end to the occupation, the establishment of conditions for a lasting permanent solution that respects the 1967 borders with a sovereign and independent Palestinian state. The Government of Reconciliation and National Unity reaffirms its firm commitment to the Rule of Law at the International Level and the peaceful resolution of disputes between States.

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