



**“WE CHOSE THE STRUGGLE  
AND OUR STRUGGLE IS JUST.”**  
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**Ahed Tamimi, a 16-year-old Palestinian, has been imprisoned by Israel for over a month for “the slap heard ’round the world.” Ahed faces 10 years in prison for pushing and slapping a soldier who was invading her family’s home, right after her cousin was shot in the head and seriously injured by soldiers at a protest.**

**Ahed’s mother, Nariman, who posted a video of the incident online, was arrested when she went to visit her daughter. The Tamimis’ small village, Nabi Saleh, is under constant encroachment by Israeli settlers.**

- ❖ Ahed’s trial will be in a military court, which has a **99.75%** conviction rate.
- ❖ Amnesty International has called for Ahed’s release, saying that her detention violates the International Convention on the Rights of the Child, to which Israel is signatory.
- ❖ Ahed is just one of over 300 Palestinian children currently in Israeli military detention.
- ❖ Members of the Israeli government have called for her and her mother to spend the rest of their lives in prison, and a prominent Israeli journalist implied that the girls and women in the family should be raped.
- ❖ Under Israeli law, what Ahed did – resisting a warrantless invasion by “reasonable force” – is legal. Israel’s ruling Likud party has said they want Israeli law to apply in the West Bank.

- ❖ Since Ahed’s arrest, the Israeli government led by Binyamin Netanyahu announced plans to build 1000 new housing units in settlements on stolen Palestinian land in the West Bank, killed at least three Palestinians, shot a baby in the head during a training accident, and issued a list of 20 international organizations whose members will not be allowed to visit the country. Netanyahu’s Likud party voted to annex all of the West Bank to Israel, which is a war crime under the Geneva Conventions.
- ❖ The movement for Boycott, Divestment & Sanctions (BDS) against Israel continues to build strength. Pop singer Lorde joined the movement last month, cancelling a planned concert in Tel Aviv, and New Orleans City Council just passed a resolution to divest from companies that profit from human rights violations anywhere.

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