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INTERNATIONAL CAMPAIGN FOR THE RELEASE OF AYMAN GHRAYEB, PALESTINIAN HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDER

*Ayman Ghrayeb Bani Odeh is a prominent non-violent activist who has documented and publicised human rights violations committed by Israeli settlers and the Israeli army in the West Bank (occupied Palestinian territories). He was arrested by the army on 17 November 2025 in the village of **al-Fasayil** (Jordan Valley) without any specific charges, was subjected to enforced disappearance for two days and has been held in administrative detention ever since. Several international organisations, joined by MOC-València, are campaigning for his release.*

According to human rights organisations such as the Israeli group [B'Tselem](#) and the Palestinian group [Addameer](#), there were 3,563 Palestinians in administrative detention in October 2025. This constitutes an arbitrary deprivation of liberty, without charges or evidence, which is a serious violation of their fundamental rights. In Israel, detention is permitted on the basis of secret evidence that is not disclosed to the detainee or their lawyer. These detention orders are issued for a maximum of six months and can be renewed indefinitely. In practice, it is a repressive tool used by the Israeli state to silence Palestinian activists.

Human rights defenders such as Ayman face a very high risk of being dragged into a detention system where legal safeguards are non-existent and renewals can drag on for months or years. Preventing him from being swallowed up by this system is essential, not only for his personal safety, but also to protect the ability of Palestinian activists to continue documenting violations and supporting threatened farming communities.

The campaign calls on the Spanish government to help secure the release of Ayman Ghrayeb by contacting the Israeli military authorities and urging them to revoke his arrest warrant. It proposes sending letters to raise awareness of and denounce these illegal arrests.

The situation of the Palestinian population in the West Bank has deteriorated significantly since 2023, whilst the Israeli army was carrying out its offensive in Gaza, committing an unprecedented genocide. It is now worsening even further, during the bombings in Iran and the invasion of Lebanon.

The Jordan Valley is an area with fertile land and water resources. The State of Israel [has declared its intention to annex it](#). The state-sanctioned violence of the settlers is being used to drive Palestinian communities from their lands. The Israeli army plans to build a new wall in the north of the Valley to cut off Palestinian communities from their farmland and pastures. Many families in the region have already received eviction orders. **Ayman Ghrayeb** worked closely with these communities, documenting the policies of ethnic cleansing and the continuous escalation of violence they are suffering.

Further information at: <https://mocvalencia.info/index.php/en/campaigns-and-actions/for-the-freedom-of-prisoners/18-03-2026-moc-valencia-supports-the-international-campaign-for-the-release-of-all-palestinian-prisoners>

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