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The Arab Network for National Human Rights Institutions

Recommendations of the Emergency General Assembly of the Arab Network for National Human Rights Institutions

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These recommendations come at the conclusion of the proceedings of the 26th Emergency General Assembly of the Arab Network for National Human Rights Institutions, convened on 16 March 2026 on the occasion of the Arab Human Rights Day, and in light of the serious regional developments resulting from the military attacks on a number of Arab States, which have caused a direct threat to the lives of civilians, targeted civilian objects, and constituted a clear violation of the absolute prohibition on the use of force and of the peremptory norms of international humanitarian law. Based on the legal and moral responsibility of national human rights institutions, and on the role entrusted to the Arab Network in strengthening Arab coordination and unifying the human rights position, and in view of the urgent need to enhance the protection of civilians and activate international accountability mechanisms, the Emergency General Assembly adopted the following recommendations, distributed across four levels: national institutions, the Arab Network, the international system, and the affected States.

First: At the level of national human rights institutions

- Strengthening monitoring and documentation mechanisms of the military attacks and their impact on civilians, and preparing periodic reports to be submitted to the relevant international mechanisms.
- Developing rapid response protocols in cases of cross-border attacks, including the formation of human rights emergency teams.
- Expanding cooperation among Arab national institutions to exchange information and expertise on the protection of civilians during crises.
- Launching awareness campaigns on the rights of civilians during conflicts, community safety guidelines, and the promotion of a culture of prevention.



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Second: At the level of the Arab Network

- Unifying the Arab human rights position regarding the attacks targeting civilians in the region.
- Activating human rights diplomacy through engagement with the United Nations and international organizations to exert pressure for accountability.

Third: At the level of the international system

- Calling upon the United Nations to open an independent investigation into the attacks that targeted Arab States and to assess their compliance with international law.
- Requesting the Human Rights Council to convene a special session on the protection of civilians in the Arab region.
- Emphasizing the necessity of an immediate cessation of military escalation and a return to diplomatic tracks in order to safeguard the security of civilians and the stability of the region.
- Advancing the activation of international accountability mechanisms to ensure that no party escapes punishment.

Fourth: At the level of the affected States

- Strengthening civilian protection measures in accordance with international standards, and developing national emergency plans to address missile or cross-border attacks.
- Providing psychological and social support to those affected by the attacks, and ensuring their access to essential services.
- Facilitating the access of national institutions to field information and data to ensure accurate and transparent documentation of violations.

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