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**The Closing of Civil Society Space in Israel
and the effect on Women Human Rights Defenders**

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Submitting Organizations:

Organization Name	Letterhead	Year of Establishment	Contact Details	Website	ECOSOC Status
Human Rights Defenders Fund	HRDF	2011	shelly@hrdf.org.il , P.O. Box 8589 Jaffa, 6108402, Israel	www.hrdf.org.il	none
Coalition of Women for Peace	CWP	2000	cwp@coalitionofwomen.org , 3 Yegei Kapaim Street, Israel	www.coalitionofwomen.org	none
Adalah – The Legal Center for Arab Minority Rights in Israel		1996	adalah@adalah.org 94 Yaffa Street PO Box 8921 Haifa 3109001, Israel	www.adalah.org	Adalah has ECOSOC status with the UN since 2005
Al Tufula Pedagogical & Multipurpose Women's Center		1984	info@altufula.org Al-Roum 6063 P.O.B 2404 Nazareth 16000 Israel	http://www.altufula.org/	none



The Association: Women Against Violence		1992	info@wavo.org PO Box 313, Nazareth 16000, Israel	http://www.wavo.org	none

Organizations descriptions:

1- Human Rights Defenders Fund

The Human Rights Defenders Fund (HRDF) was established in 2011 amidst escalating violations of the rights of Human Rights Defenders (HRDs) and restrictions on Human Rights (HR) organizations in Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories (OPT), with the purpose of providing them support to allow them to pursue their important work in defense of human rights. HRDF provides rapid, effective and professional legal support for HRDs and HR organizations who find themselves targeted and persecuted because of their peaceful, legitimate work in Israel and the OPT in order to mitigate the "chilling effect" that authorities' actions have on the Human Rights community.

2- Coalition of Women for Peace

Coalition of Women for Peace (CWP) is a feminist organization active in the struggle to end the Israeli occupation of Palestine, for the liberation of the Palestinian people from oppression, for the creation of a society based on principles of justice and equality, and for securing life in dignity for all the inhabitants of Israel/Palestine. Women from all walks of life, Jewish and Palestinian, partake in CWP out of commitment to struggle against all forms of racism, oppression and discrimination.

Coalition of Women for Peace initiates political campaigns and promotes feminist discourse and values.

3- Adalah - The Legal Center for Arab Minority Rights in Israel

Adalah ("Justice" in Arabic) is an independent human rights organization and legal center. Established in November 1996, it works to promote and defend the rights of Palestinian Arab citizens of Israel (1.2 million people, or 20% of the population) as well as Palestinians living in the Occupied Palestinian Territory (OPT).

4- Al-Tufula

Al-Tufula center- NNI is a nonprofit women's organization that was established in 1984 (officially registered in by a group of Palestinian women who have been involved in social and political activism),



with the aspiration to reach a society that is free of violence, racism, poverty and all forms of discrimination and aim to reach a society that is proud of its identity and guarantees equal rights for all its members. Al-Tufula center- NNI (R.O) is a multipurpose pedagogical women's center that contributes to creating a social change in order to empower women and develop the field of early childhood especially to the most marginalized in our community, through adopting of a feminist, holistic, integrative and liberating approach.

5- The Association: Women Against Violence

The Association: Women Against Violence is an NGO that for almost two decades has been at the forefront of the movement to champion the rights and status of Palestinian women citizens of Israel. The association aims to substantively change the position of women in Palestinian society: to eliminate gender-based violence in the community, to deepen popular understanding of the feminist ideology, and to raise the status of women in the social, political, economic and legal spheres. In its work to challenge the multiple levels of discrimination which women face as women both within their own community and as Palestinian citizens within society at large, the Association pursues change through a number of forums, from raising awareness to policy change.