



**Press Release**  
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**POETS FROM TÜRKİYE**  
**CALL FOR “GLOBAL INTIFADA” FOR PALESTINE**

‘Calling From Türkiye Poets Initiative’ has called for a “Global Intifada” for Palestine. The Initiative seeks to appeal to global public opinion on Gaza with poets writing in various languages.

The 140 poets who signed the petition emphasize that they oppose all forms of war and that they condemn any acts of violence perpetrated against civilians, regardless of the organization, army, or force that carries them out. They also call on entire humanity to duty to put an immediate end to Israel’s massacres and acts of aggression it has been carrying out on a regular basis since 1948, which has reached a peak in the ongoing massacre in Gaza.

This call by poets from Türkiye for a "Global Intifada" for Palestine has been translated into Arabic, Azerbaijani Turkish, Bosnian, Chinese, English, French, German, Greek, Hebrew, Hindi, Indonesian-Malay, Italian, Japanese, Kazakh, Korean, Kurdi-Zazaki, Latin, Persian, Russian, Spanish, Urdu, and Uyghur languages.

The petition signed by the poets is titled, "We will continue to shout that humanity dies in every person who dies."

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For weeks, Israel has been launching attacks on the small piece of land, Gaza, from the air, land, and sea. The world media continues to portray this relentless destruction as a 'war' carried out by the unilateral, powerful, and sole decision-maker. However, there is no actual war taking place. Instead, one of the most tragic plans for annihilation in human history has been put into action.

Women, the elderly, and children are fading away not only in front of our eyes but right within our eyes! In the bread on our tables, in the food stuck in our throats, in the interiors of our houses, and in the sounds of children playing in the courtyard of the hospital! A terrorist state that feeds its existence only through destruction, leaving a sense of compassion in ruins, murders innumerable citizens daily, akin to fabled beasts devouring human brains. Yet, the "World Order" only counts dead bodies as statistics. We shall never allow numbers to possess our souls. We shall never stop shouting that with each death, humanity is killed as well.

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Against the heinous crime and massacre committed by the promised barbarity against 'humanity,' poets certainly have words to say. We shall not permit darkness to swallow up hope! We shall keep fighting for the rights of Gaza's people, first and foremost the children, women, and the elderly, as well as its birds and insects, to live freely in their own country, even if we are faced with one of the rarest savage powers in history. These are their inherent rights, and no power can take this right away from them.

Today, in Gaza, the accumulation of hundreds of years of oppressive technology is being implemented, and tyranny that could span hundreds of years has been launched all at once. This is an annihilation plan, a strategy of destruction that reason and conscience cannot accept. It is the ultimate point that barbarity has reached. At the same time, this is the final image of a "world order" that has been devastated from a humanitarian perspective and has lost all validity. As poets, we tear up and discard this image with our awareness, our spirit, and our words. We, as poets, consider it a duty to protect the dignity and "existence" of humanity under siege in Gaza, and we say "stop" to the killer.

**We hope to be able to hail the world from Gaza as soon as possible.**

### **CALLING FROM TÜRKİYE!**

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