Gazans Rally to Support Palestinian Prisoners



Gaza City, May 10 (RHC)-- Hundreds of farmers and fishermen in the besieged Gaza Strip have taken to the streets to express solidarity with thousands of Palestinian prisoners held in Israeli jails, Press TV reports.

The rally came on Thursday after 5,000 Palestinian prisoners went on a one-day hunger strike to show support for dozens of administrative prisoners who have been refusing to eat since 15 days ago.

The protesters gathered outside the office of the International Committee of the Red Cross and shouted slogans, condemning the international silence about the plight of the prisoners. Organizers also called on the Red Cross to make more efforts to alleviate the suffering of the Palestinian prisoners.

Many farmers were arrested by Israeli forces in recent years, while working in their fields in Gaza and the West Bank. Administrative detention is a sort of imprisonment without trial or charge that allows Israel to incarcerate Palestinians for up to six months. The detention order can be renewed for indefinite periods of time.

Human rights organizations say the detentions executed by the Israeli authorities have been explicit breaches of the international humanitarian law.

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