

*South Africa to lodge detailed dossier with top UN court on Israeli genocide in Gaza*

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The Hague, October 28 (RHC)-- South Africa has gathered more evidence to strengthen a detailed dossier for the top UN court to prove that the Israeli regime is committing genocide against the Palestinian people in the besieged Gaza Strip, a source familiar with the matter told media.

The Anadolu news agency reported on Sunday that South Africa was set to provide forensic evidence for the International Court of Justice (ICJ), proving the Israeli genocide in Gaza.

A South African diplomatic source, who requested to remain anonymous as he was not authorized to talk to the media, said the detailed file against the Israeli regime would be handed over to the ICJ on Monday, aiming to substantiate its earlier case that the Zionist regime is committing genocide in Palestine.

A substantive charge of genocide will be lodged against the Israeli regime by Monday, South Africa's Foreign Minister, Ronald Lamola, told the Daily Maverick news website.

The court file contains more positive evidence, in "forensic detail," to demonstrate to the court that "this is not just a plausible case of genocide, but indeed it is genocide," he said.

South Africa had initially filed the genocide case against the Israeli regime at the ICJ in late 2023, weeks after the Israeli regime unleashed its brutal killing machine on Gaza in October. However, the South African official noted that the ruling by the ICJ could take years.

In addition to South Africa, several other countries, including Spain, Mexico, Libya, Turkey, Nicaragua, and Colombia have joined the case, which began public hearings in January.

In May, the top UN court ordered the Tel Aviv regime to halt its invasion of the southern Gaza city of Rafah.

The 15-judge ICJ panel issued three preliminary orders seeking to rein in the death toll and alleviate humanitarian suffering in the blockaded enclave where more than 42,900 have been killed till now and some 100,833 more have been injured in the year-long, ongoing Israeli invasion.

ICC prosecutor Karim Khan requested arrest warrants for Israeli PM Benjamin Netanyahu and his minister of military affairs Yoav Gallant on charges of war crimes.

The accusations facing both Netanyahu and Gallant include "causing extermination, causing starvation as a method of war, including the denial of humanitarian relief supplies, deliberately targeting civilians in conflict."

The Israeli regime is reportedly applying "diplomatic pressure" on the International Criminal Court (ICC) to delay arrest warrants against the regime's PM and minister of military affairs.

The ICC operates independently of the top UN court and prosecutes individuals for war crimes, while the ICJ is one of the six principal organs of the United Nations and settles disputes between states under international law or gives advisory opinions.

In simple terms, the case lodged against Tel Aviv at the ICJ pertains to the Israeli entity as a regime, while the ICC is a criminal court, which brings cases against Israeli leadership such as Netanyahu for their role in the war crimes or crimes against humanity committed in the occupied Palestinian lands.



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