



Yesh Din

Volunteers for Human Rights

The State Submitted a Supplementary Notice to the HCJ as Part of the Joint Hearing on Two Petitions: Yesh Din and ACRI Demanding the Repeal of the Transfer of Powers to the Deputy Head of the CA; and Kalai-Rosen Law Firm Against the Memorandum of Understanding that Set the Division of Powers Between the Minister of Defense and the Minister Within the Ministry of Defense

On July 3, 2025, the state submitted a supplementary notice in the joint petitions, demanding that it repeal the newly signed order along with the letter of appointment and delegation of powers to the Deputy Head of the Civil Administration for Civil Affairs. In the notice, it was stated that a decision had been made to accede to the court's request and to delete several clauses from the "Document of Understandings and Division of Responsibility and Authority Between the Minister of Defense and the Additional Minister in the Ministry of Defense" and from the "Operating Procedure Between the Settlement Administration within the Ministry of Defense and the Civil Administration."

The state implemented changes that somewhat reduce the previously unlimited power granted to Smotrich and the civilian Deputy Head of

the Civil Administration. **However, these changes do not reverse the broader move led by Smotrich to annex the West Bank and dismantle the Civil Administration**, while concentrating powers in his own hands and his ministry, a minister in the Israeli government, which is not and cannot be the sovereign in the occupied territory.

[Read the state's response](#)

[Read the state's supplementary notice](#)

[Further background on the petition](#)

The Next Discussion in the Knesset on the NGO Taxation Bill

The next discussion in the Knesset on the NGO taxation bill will be held on Tuesday, July 15, 2025. We will be sure to update the outcomes of the discussion as soon as possible.

Over 200 NGOs Sign a Joint Statement to Stop GHF's Activity

In less than four weeks, more than 500 Palestinians have been killed and almost 4,000 injured while trying to access food being distributed by the Gaza Humanitarian Fund (GHF). Israeli forces and armed groups - some reportedly operating with backing from Israeli authorities

- now routinely open fire on desperate civilians risking their lives for food. Yesh Din, together with 200+ NGOs, calls for immediate action to end the deadly distribution scheme in Gaza, revert to the existing UN-led coordination mechanisms, and lift the Israeli government's blockade on aid and commercial supplies. The 400 aid distribution points operating during the temporary ceasefire across Gaza have now been replaced by just four military-controlled distribution sites, forcing two million people into overcrowded, militarized zones where they face daily gunfire and mass casualties while trying to access food and are denied other life-saving supplies.

We reiterate our urgent call for an immediate and sustained ceasefire, the release of all hostages, full humanitarian access at scale, and an end to the pervasive impunity that enables these atrocities and denies Palestinians their rights.

[Read the joint statement](#)

Join Our WhatsApp Group for Diplomatic Updates

We invite you to join our WhatsApp group for diplomatic updates, in which we send periodic updates on important developments in the West Bank easily and conveniently. It is a 'silent' group, meaning only the administrators can post messages, and there are no conversations or debates. You are welcome to join and share the link with colleagues.

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