



FREE

HANA' SHALABI

Hana Shalabi is a Palestinian political prisoner held in an Israeli jail. She has been on hunger strike for over 40 days protesting her detention without charge or trial.

WHO IS HANA SHALABI?

Hana Shalabi is a 30-year-old Palestinian woman from Burqin village near Nablus, under Israeli occupation. She is currently held in administrative detention, without charge or trial, after her arbitrary and violent arrest on February 16, 2012. She was arrested by Israeli military occupation authorities only four months after her release from yet another term in an Israeli prison as part of a prisoner exchange. During her earlier time in prison, she was held for 30 months. **At no time has Hana Shalabi been charged with a crime, or placed on trial - even one of the rigged military trials conducted by the Israeli occupation.** Hana has been on hunger strike since her arrest - now over 40 days. She is in hospital under armed guard, and her life is now in danger.

WHO ARE THE PALESTINIAN PRISONERS?

There are currently 4,489 Palestinian political prisoners held in Israeli jails. 310 of these prisoners are held under administrative detention, meaning arbitrarily, without charges or trial. Administrative detention violates the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights. 40% of Palestinian men in the West Bank have been held in Israeli jails at one point in their life, and Palestinians in Gaza and Palestinian citizens of Israel are also held in Israeli jails, often imprisoned for actions such as engaging in demonstrations or belonging to political parties as part of their struggle as Palestinians to be free of Israeli occupation.

WHAT CAN WE DO?

The Canadian government under Stephen Harper has declared itself to be Israel's "greatest friend," and worked around the world and in Canada to silence Palestinians and the Palestinian cause. **People are not powerless - now is the time for people to speak out against injustice. Call Foreign Minister John Baird at 613-990-7720 and demand the Canadian government stop supporting injustice and pressure Israel to free Hana Shalabi.** You can also help to stop Israeli injustices by joining the Palestinian call for boycott, divestment and sanctions against Israel. Boycott Israeli goods and encourage your universities, pension funds and others to divest from Israeli companies. Visit bdsmovement.net for more information.

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