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Draft Position on the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict

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To save Palestine, Palestinian Americans living in Queens and Brooklyn must run for and get elected to the Queens and Kings County Committees of the Democratic Party.

Every two years, in even-numbered years, from late February through early April, Democrats across New York City circulate petitions to get on the ballot for internal Party positions. These grassroots roles are the foundation of political influence within the Democratic Party structure.

In New York City, the Social Democrats of America are focused exclusively on organizing Palestinian American Democrats at the local level. We call on our members to stop donating to outside organizations and instead prioritize direct political engagement through local Democratic Party channels.

The Social Democrats of America support all efforts that compel the International Court of Justice in The Hague—and every national government—to enforce the full body of United Nations Security Council resolutions passed since the founding of the State of Israel.

Once elected, Palestinian Americans serving on the Queens and Kings County Committees must pressure their local Democratic leaders to, in turn, demand that the United States government comply with and enforce every relevant UN Security Council resolution related to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

Anyone interested in learning more about the County Committee is encouraged to visit the Rep My Block "About" page at https://www.repmyblock.org/about, or explore the *Queens Machine* series from WNYC's *People's Guide to Power*: https://www.wnyc.org/series/peoples-guide-power/archive.