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PRESS RELEASE

ANIC is Seriously Concerned Over the PM's Recent Consideration to Recognise Jerusalem as Israel's Capital

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The Australian National Imams Council (ANIC) and The Australian Muslim Community are seriously concerned over recent consideration on behalf of Prime Minister Scott Morrison to recognise Jerusalem as Israel's capital. Given that the Palestinians along with the majority world leaders are adamant that doing so would be a violation of international law and a huge setback for peace and stability in that region, such a move would no doubt be an affront to the Palestinian people as well as the collective sentiments of Muslims worldwide.

In addition to these concerns, it must be emphasised that such a move represents a breach of international conventions and discredits the function of the United Nations. It also contradicts the role performed by the United States of America in the Palestinian-Israeli peace negotiations. Rather than solving any potential problems within the region, such a decision would only exacerbate violence and may potentially cause further instability.

ANIC strongly advises the Prime Minister Scott Morrison, fair-minded elements within the government, and the greater Australian public, to eschew such a consideration as it would clearly not serve the greater interest of the people of that region.

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