

Vice President Hussein Al Sheikh Discusses Latest Political Developments and Strengthening Bilateral Cooperation with the State Secretary of the German Federal Foreign Office

Ramallah—October 11, 2026—His Excellency Hussein Al Sheikh, Vice President of the State of Palestine, received today, Sunday, the State Secretary of the German Federal Foreign Office, H.E. Dr. Géza Andreas von Geyr, and the accompanying delegation, in the presence of the President's Advisor for Diplomatic Affairs, H.E. Dr. Majdi Al Khaldi, and the Chief of Staff to the Vice President, Mrs. Ayah AlMuhisin.

The German delegation included H.E. Mr. Kurt Georg Stöckl-Stillfried, Director-General for the Middle East and Africa at the German Federal Foreign Office; H.E. Ms. Anke Schlimm, Representative of the Federal Republic of Germany in Ramallah; and Mr. Peer Otte, Head of the Political Department at the German Representative Office in Ramallah.

Al Sheikh expressed his for Germany's supportive positions toward the Palestinian people and its efforts to foster security and stability in the region and achieve the two-state solution, while affirming his pride in the partnership with European countries in supporting the internal reform process and strengthening Palestinian state institutions.

Al Sheikh addressed the ongoing Israeli measures in the Palestinian territories, including daily settler terror,

settlement expansion, checkpoints, the withholding and confiscation of Palestinian funds, and discussed the repercussions of these policies on economic and living conditions, alongside the challenges facing the health and education sectors, and the catastrophic humanitarian situation in the Gaza Strip.

Regarding the elections, Al Sheikh explained that the decision to postpone them stemmed from a collective conviction, noting that Palestinian factions and forces welcomed this approach given the prevailing circumstances and challenges.

For his part, H.E. the German State Secretary affirmed his country's continued support for the Palestinian people, reform efforts, and the promotion of security and stability, emphasizing the importance of holding elections and supporting the two-state solution, while also expressing Germany's concern over Israeli measures and settlement projects, and reiterating the commitment to continue providing support to the Palestinian people.