

## HRES 270

Expressing the sense of Congress regarding the Palestinian Authority's purported accession to the International Criminal Court for the purpose of initiating prosecutions against Israeli soldiers, citizens, officials, and leaders.

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** International Affairs

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| Foreign Affairs Committee | House   | Referred To | May 18, 2015 |

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### Related Bills

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Expresses the sense of Congress that:

- the Palestinian Authority (PA) should withdraw its application for International Criminal Court (ICC) membership, cease attempts to initiate or encourage frivolous and politically motivated war-crimes prosecutions against Israelis via the ICC or any other international or national judicial body, and demonstrate its viability as a peace partner by returning to bilateral negotiations with Israel;
- the organs of the ICC should oppose the PA's politicization of international law by rescinding Palestinian membership in the ICC;
- the ICC should defer to Israeli jurisdiction and the Israeli military and civilian judicial systems in cases involving Israeli citizens; and
- the Administration should begin immediate consultations with Congress concerning Palestinian state-level membership in the ICC.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **May 18, 2015:** Introduced in House
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