

## **Resolution PA2505 - 03**

### **Establishing the Taskforce on Islamist Extremism**

#### **The 17<sup>th</sup> Plenary Assembly of the World Jewish Congress, meeting in Jerusalem on 18 – 20 May 2025**

**RECALLS** its previous resolutions on Iran, including GB1008 on Iran, 1503 EC on Iran, GB 1905 on the Threat of Iran, and PA 2105 on Continued Iranian Threats to Peace and Security;

**EMPHASIZES** the global reach of Islamist extremist groups, including but not limited to Hezbollah, Hamas, Houthis, Palestinian Islamic Jihad (PIJ), Al Shabab, Boko Haram, the IRGC Quds Force, ISIS, and Al Qaeda, among others;

**CONDEMNS** the multiple ideological roots of Islamist extremism, including the Muslim Brotherhood and Iran's extremist influence, for their role in undermining free and democratic societies, undermining values and endangering global stability;

**NOTES** that despite their differences, these extremist ideologies share a common objective of opposing secularism, democracy and human rights, while promoting governance under Sharia law;

**FURTHER NOTES** that the Islamic Republic of Iran plays a central role in financing, coordinating, and propagating Islamist extremism through its proxy networks around the world, fueling terrorism, destabilizing regions, and directly threatening democratic nations;

**REITERATES** that Iran must never be allowed to obtain nuclear weapons, and emphasizes that its pursuit of nuclear capabilities represents an unacceptable threat to regional and global security;

**RECOGNIZES** that the barbaric terrorist attacks of October 7, 2023, and the subsequent dramatic upsurge in antisemitism throughout the world, have underscored the growing danger posed by Iran's state-sponsored terrorism, Islamist extremism, and their global networks of violence;

**EXPRESSES ALARM** at the growing convergence of Islamist extremism with far-left movements (often referred to as the Red-Green Alliance), whereby Islamist extremists exploit far-left groups to advance the Islamist agenda, amplify antisemitic narratives, and undermine democratic values;

**FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGES** that this growing threat specifically targets Jewish communities and individuals, both in Israel and around the world, as part of its broader attack on democratic values and institutions;

**URGES** governments, international organizations, and civil society to recognize Islamist extremism as a primary global threat to security, social cohesion and values and to implement robust policies and countermeasures;

**RESOLVES** to establish the WJC Task Force on Islamist Extremism, as foreshadowed to members of the Executive Committee in November, being a dedicated body to monitor, analyze, and combat Islamist extremism, with a focus on its anti-democratic and antisemitic components. To read more about the Task Force on Islamist Extremism click [here](#);

**FURTHER RESOLVES** that a core group of the Task Force will be led by a designated WJC Executive Committee member assisted by relevant WJC staff possessing adequate expertise;

**RECOGNIZES** the important work of the WJC Taskforce on Combating Antisemitism and emphasizes the necessity of the two Taskforces collaborating to maximize their joint efforts being effective to address Islamist extremism as a significant driver of global antisemitism and a threat to democracies everywhere.

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