

Motion for the IFSW General Meeting

Subject: Motion in Solidarity with Palestinian Social Workers and the Palestinian People

Proposer: The Federal Council of Social Service (CFESS), Brazil

To Be Considered By: The IFSW General Meeting

Preamble

- a) **Whereas**, the Federal Council of Social Service (CFESS), as the representative entity of social workers in Brazil, firmly reaffirms its recognition of the right to sovereignty, self-determination, and a dignified existence for the Palestinian people; and
- b) **Whereas**, the worsening war situation and repeated human rights violations have created extreme conditions under which Palestinian social workers must operate to guarantee access to basic rights and provide essential support to communities experiencing daily violence, forced displacement, loss of familial bonds, and the destruction of their living conditions; and
- c) **Whereas**, Palestinian social workers are not only professionals intervening in a highly complex social reality, but are also human beings directly affected by the conflict—experiencing firsthand the violence, insecurity, and systemic violations of rights that impact their own lives and trajectories; and
- d) **Whereas**, CFESS recognizes the profound ethical and political relevance of these professionals who, despite immense personal risk and adversity, remain unyielding in their commitment to the defense of life, human rights, and human freedom; and

Resolution

Therefore, be it resolved that the IFSW General Meeting adopts the following actions:

1. **Formal Declaration of Solidarity:** The IFSW officially declares its full solidarity with Palestinian social workers and the Palestinian people, explicitly backing their rights to sovereignty and self-determination.
2. **Advocacy for Professional Protection:** The IFSW will actively strengthen its global positioning regarding the protection of social work professionals operating within war zones and high-conflict environments, ensuring their safety and ability to practice are prioritized internationally.
3. **Denunciation of Human Rights Violations:** The IFSW commits to utilizing its platform and international standing to consistently denounce human rights violations and advocate for the restoration of peace, dignity, and sovereignty for populations affected by conflict.