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CPC Project Briefing – Touch of Peace (**CfP-Gaza**)

Psychological Support for Children in Gaza

Coalition for Peace and Coexistence Inc. (CPC) – Coalition for Peace (CfP) Gaza Branch

Executive Summary

Through verified partnerships inside the Gaza Strip, the Coalition for Peace and Coexistence (CPC), through its flagship project the Coalition for Peace (CfP) Gaza Branch, will support the implementation of a pilot program to provide psychological and social support for children affected by war.

Aligned with CPC's principle of neutrality and its focus on assisting innocent civilians, this project symbolizes the organization's humanitarian and peacebuilding intent to restore hope among Gaza's children while promoting values of coexistence and respect toward their Israeli counterparts.

This program—A *Touch of Peace*—will be coordinated under the supervision of the CfP-Gaza Branch, led by Mr. **Motaz Mohammed Almansi**, with CPC oversight through its diplomatic and executive offices. The initiative represents **the CPC's first supported project on the ground in the Middle East.**

If successful, CfP-Gaza will hold consultations with other CPC partner organizations, including the Youth Education Development Forum (YEDF), to explore sustainable expansion and collaboration.

For legal and financial compliance reasons, CPC will **not directly fund** the project, in accordance with Australian reporting requirements and the absence of a Commonwealth Bank of Australia (CBA) account. Funding may be raised independently by CPC members and partner organizations (e.g. YEDF), provided all transfers comply with COGAT and Australian law. No funds will be held, transferred, or disbursed by CPC itself.

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Background & Rationale

After more than two years of severe conflict, Gaza's children face severe psychological trauma. Many have witnessed violence, loss, and displacement, leaving deep emotional scars.

The *Touch of Peace* project responds to this crisis by combining humanitarian concern with peace education. It aims not only to alleviate trauma but to reintroduce positive values—tolerance, empathy, and coexistence—into community life, particularly among the youngest generation.

This approach aligns with CPC's founding philosophy: *pro-peace*, *pro-people*, *pro-progress*. By supporting a locally-led initiative in Gaza under neutral coordination, CPC demonstrates its capacity to serve as a unifying and trustworthy intermediary.

Objectives

- 1. **Alleviate psychological trauma** among children through supportive and recreational activities.
- 2. **Foster awareness** within families about peace, coexistence, and mutual respect with Israeli neighbors.
- 3. **Promote cultural exchange** between Palestinian and Israeli children through symbolic storytelling, drawings, and digital message exchanges.
- 4. **Strengthen community resilience** and a positive spirit amidst ongoing hardship.

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Implementation Plan

The project will be implemented within a four-week timeline with the intent to hold two fully recorded seminars led by a team of four volunteers.

Proposed Activities:

1. Psychological Support Sessions:

Volunteer specialists will conduct simple, age-appropriate sessions using drawing, storytelling, and interactive games that emphasize peace and hope.

2. Distribution of Gifts and Art Supplies:

Each participating child will receive small symbolic gifts (toys, coloring books, balloons) featuring peace and coexistence symbols.

3. Provision of Fresh Fruit:

Healthy fruit and drinks will be distributed to promote both physical and emotional well-being.

4. Art and Message Exchange:

Drawings and written messages from Palestinian children will be collected for sharing online or through CPC-facilitated Israeli organizations, promoting dialogue between children across divides.

Target Group:

Up to 100 children aged 6–12, directly affected by the conflict, and their parents in relevant sessions.

Security Vetting & Compliance

In accordance with Section 5.3 of the Commonwealth Crimes Act 1914, DFAT guidelines, and international anti-terrorism frameworks, CPC has undertaken all reasonable measures to confirm that

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no CfP-Gaza team member has affiliation with Hamas or any proscribed organization under Australian or UN law.

Mr. **Motaz's** identity was verified through available documentation given the circumstances of displacement and was further confirmed by **Devorah Malka** (**Israel**), who attested:

"I have been honoured to be friends and partners in peacebuilding with the honorable, brilliant and integrous Motaz Sarsur for some time now. Motaz demonstrates that community comes first, love is an action, and that hope for a bright and peaceful future is not yet lost."

Mr Motaz's identity was also directly confirmed via his Palestinian passport, digitally held by CPC's CEO for identity verification purposes. The identity of Mr Motaz's associates was also confirmed via similar Identity Documents. Mr Motaz attested that neither he nor any of his team members have any affiliations with Hamas, the Palestinian Islamic Jihad (PIJ) or any other group considered a proscribed organization, he declared:

"My name is Motaz Mohammed Almansi, a Palestinian from Gaza, holding a Bachelor's degree in Industrial and Administrative Engineering.

I hereby affirm that I do not belong to any military or militant faction in Gaza, and that I have long believed in peace, coexistence, and strategic, economic, and cultural partnership with our Israeli neighbors.

I am confident and fully aware that all members of the "Touch of Peace" team have no connection to any armed groups or organizations, and that, like me, my team believes that true peace originates from the hearts of the people."

To maintain compliance and minimize risk, **CPC** will not transfer funds into or out of Gaza. Each participating organization retains full financial independence and responsibility, in accordance with CPC's Charter and the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012 (Vic).

All CfP partners sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) containing the clause:

"Membership in CPC reflects shared vision and intent and does not impose legal or financial obligations."

CPC upholds international child protection standards. Although CPC is not directly present on the ground, all CPC-supported projects must adhere to strict safeguarding principles. CPC's Founder & CEO holds a valid Working With Children Check (Victoria, Australia), reflecting CPC's commitment

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to child safety and wellbeing.

Legal & Financial Framework

- CPC is an Australian Incorporated Association (No. A0127612T) under the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012 (Vic) and is the sole legal personality for CfP projects.
- The CfP-Gaza Branch functions under CPC's Constitution and Charter Articles IX.1–9, ensuring accountability and lawful separation of financial responsibility.
- CfP-Gaza may coordinate with local partners but cannot independently sign contracts, receive grants, or represent CPC without written approval from CPC's Central Administration.
- All expenditures and donations, if any, must be handled independently by members or affiliated NGOs and not under CPC's accounts.
- A full expenditure breakdown will be recorded by Mr Motaz's team and submitted to CPC for transparency reporting.

Estimated Budget – Pilot Phase (75 -100 Children)

Category	Description	Estimated Cost (USD)
Gifts & Art Supplies	Toys, coloring books, balloons	\$450
Fruit & Drinks	Fresh fruit for sessions	\$300
Additional Materials	Workshop materials	\$100

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Transportation Local movement for volunteers \$0

- covered by Mr Motaz

Emergency Buffer Contingency (in case of

emergency or additional

children)

Total Estimated Cost (Pilot Phase)

\$1,200

\$100

(Note: Figures adjusted from initial large-scale projection for 1,000 children to pilot-phase implementation for 100 children.)

Expected Outcomes

- Tangible psychological relief and increased happiness among participating children.
- Enhanced parental understanding of emotional care and non-violent education.
- Creation of artwork and messages promoting peace and coexistence, to be shared with Israeli children through digital platforms.
- Strengthened CfP-Gaza operational credibility and trust between CPC and Gaza-based partners.
- Symbolic advancement of CPC's mission: peace built on truth, respect, and courage.

Reporting & Oversight

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- Motaz Mohammed Almansi and his CfP-Gaza team will submit a final narrative and financial summary to CPC Headquarters (Melbourne) within **30 days of project completion**.
- CPC will maintain oversight through its Director of Diplomacy and Strategic Advisor, Elias Baboun, ensuring all compliance, neutrality, and documentation standards are upheld.
- The project report will be archived under CfP-Gaza Reference Code CFP-GZ-2025-01 and included in CPC's Annual Activities Register.
- This Project Briefing and all related commitments are governed by the laws of the State of Victoria, Australia.

Signatures

For all legal purposes, a digital name below signifies consent and acceptance of the content of this document. Separate physical signatures are neither necessary nor practical due to Mr Motaz's presence inside Gaza.

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Founder & CEO Coalition for Peace and Coexistence Inc.

Elias Baboun

Director of Diplomacy & Strategic Advisor Coalition for Peace and Coexistence Inc.

Motaz Mohammed Almansi

CfP-Gaza Branch President / Project Lead

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