

International Development Assistance (Palestinian National Authority Schools)

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BE IT ENACTED by the Queen’s most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1 Development assistance to schools operated by the Palestinian National Authority

- (1) The Secretary of State must take all reasonable steps to ensure that development assistance is not provided directly or indirectly by Her Majesty’s Government to schools operated wholly or partly by the Palestinian National Authority unless the conditions in subsection (2) are met. 5
- (2) Those conditions are that the schools promote—
- (a) peaceful coexistence of different religious and other communities,
 - (b) non-violence,
 - (c) respect for human rights, and 10
 - (d) values endorsed by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation in respect of peace and tolerance in school education.
- (3) The Secretary of State must in each calendar year lay before Parliament a report about steps taken in that year under subsection (1). 15

2 Final provisions

- (1) In this Act, “development assistance” has the same meaning as in section 1 of the International Development Act 2002.

- (2) This Act comes into force on the day it receives Royal Assent.
- (3) This Act extends to the whole of the United Kingdom.
- (4) This Act may be cited as the International Development Assistance (Palestinian National Authority Schools) Act 2019.

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