Alert for Action 26 January 2008 is International Action Day

In protest of the Israeli continuous siege on Gaza, Israeli peace groups led by Gush Shalom and in coordination with End the Siege campaign, initiated a Relief Convoy to Gaza on Saturday, January 26, 2008, on both sides of the Karni crossing in Gaza, with Israeli, Palestinian and International participation.

We urge you all to support this action and to take an active part in making it a success.

This initiative will certainly create a momentum which we must employ by declaring 26 January 2008 as an International Action Day. A day where all of us join efforts to put pressure on the Israeli government to end the siege on Gaza. Therefore, we call upon all of our friends and supporters around the world to organize activities in that same day in their hometowns, to protest the Israeli siege on Gaza. We suggest organizing delegations to meet with parliament members and government officials, media exposure, and organizing demonstrations in front of the Israeli embassies/consulates.

In this context, we wish to emphasize on Prime Minister Fayyad's initiative that the Palestinian National Authority re-gain control over the Palestinian side of the crossings; an initiative that won the support of many relevant parties including the Quartet.

It is thus deemed very important that all our calls and activities to end the siege on Gaza be associated with a strong emphasis in support of PM Fayyad's initiative, which represents a practical, timely, and feasible way to end the siege.

(for more details: http://gush-shalom.org.toibillboard.info/ConvJan08.htm)