

# Ideas for Solutions



### **Documentary Film of the Month – May**

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## **Al-Nakba**



Date: Thursday 31 May 2018

Time: 17:30 P.M.

Venue: Conference Room, Shikokan Building, Karasuma Campus, Doshisha University

\*No Reservation Required

#### Theme: Al-Nakba (A Documentary Film, 47 Minutes)

This is a film on the Palestinian 'catastrophe' of 1948 that led to dispossession and conflict that still endures. For Palestinians, 1948 marks the 'nakba' or the 'catastrophe', when hundreds of thousands were forced out of their homes. But for Israelis, the same year marks the creation of their own state. This film attempts to present an understanding of the events of the past that are still shaping the present.

### The Storyline of the Film (Content)

Few Palestinians, if any, could have imagined they were to become victims of what would later be called "ethnic cleansing". After 30 years of British rule, the question of Palestine was referred to the United Nations, which had become the forum for conflict. Exactly seventy years ago in the month of May 1948, some 85-90% of Palestinian population were forced out, and four out of five Palestinian towns and villages were destroyed. Thus, The Nakba refers to the expulsion of hundreds of thousands of Palestinians that took place with the establishment of the State of Israel in May 1948. Palestinian refugees and those displaced are barred by Israel from returning to their land.

You are welcome and free to join watching the documentary film. We will have free talk and discussion afterwards about the film and related issues and views.

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