

LWF Member churches, related agencies and other statements/actions on Israeli West Bank annexation plans

Member church or Relag	Date	Addressed to	Website
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America	28-Jul-20	Video Message to public	Liberation Not Annexation- video message by Presiding Bishop Eaton
COCOP Statement on the Annexation Plans of the Israeli Government	23-Jul-20	Public statement	http://www.elcjh.org/cocop-statement-on-the-annexation-plans-of-the-israeli-government/
Christian Clergy from the Bethlehem Area	7-Jul-20	Open letter	https://www.globalministries.org/an_open_letter_from_christian_clergy_from_the_bethlehem_area
VELKD-Bishops' Conference (United Evangelical-Lutheran Church of Germany)	1-Jul-20		https://www.evangelisch.de/inhalte/172077/01-07-2020/lutheraner-besorgt-ueber-annexionsplaene-der-israelischen-regierung
Ecumenical Statement: ACT, LWF, WCRC, WCC	29-Jun-20	Churches, related organizations and international community	https://www.lutheranworld.org/news/annexation-will-undermine-peace-middle-east
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America	24-Jun-20	Kathryn Lohre, blog post #DisturbingPresence	Amplifying the Message in Word and Deed: Liberation not Annexation

International Agencies (including LWF)	22-Jun-20	To Israel and USA governments	https://www.oxfamamerica.org/press/international-agencies-warn-israeli-annexation-will-deepen-suffering-and-poverty/
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America	18-Jun-20	Living Lutheran article	ELCA presiding bishop responds to annexation statement
Evangelical Lutheran Church of Finland		Open letter of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Finland to Bishop Sani Ibrahim Azar	https://evl.fi/current-issues/news/2020/open-letter-to-bishop-sani-ibrahim-azar
Three former Bishops of Jerusalem: Patriarch Emeritus Michael Sabbah (Roman Catholic Latin), Bishop Emeritus Ria Abu El Assal (Anglican), Bishop Emeritus Munid Younan (Lutheran)	15-Jun-20	Open call	Not published in full but referred to here: https://www.americamagazine.org/politics-society/2020/06/23/christian-leaders-israeli-occupation-palestine-cause-conflict
Canadian Lutheran Relief and Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada	15-Jun-20	The Hon. François-Philippe Champagne, P.C., M.P. Minister for Foreign Affairs House of Commons Ottawa, Ontario	
WCC and ACT ALLIANCE	15-Jun-20	Human Rights Council - Item 7 situation in the Occupied Palestinian and other Arab territories	

ACT CoS	9-Jun-20	Prime Minister Stefan Löfvén Chairperson of the Social Democratic Party	https://www.svenskakyrkan.se/filer/578537/Letter_annex_200609_Socialdemokraterna.pdf
		Regeringskansliet 103 33 Stockholm	
ELCA and other 26 churches in the USA	2-Jun-20	Members of USA Congress	https://blogs.elca.org/peacenotwalls/no-to-annexation/faith-leader-letter-opposing-annexation-june-2020/
Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land	2-Jun-20		http://www.elcjh.org/liberation-not-annexation/?fbclid=IwAR34MzkRfVJRDpF0pZvasmoArgtuPpcGx-CrmYMHR8Rmmc2NJFRailedzho
Evangelische Kirche in Deutschland - Evangelical Middle East Commission EMOK	28-May-20	Open statement	
Church of Norway - The Bishops Conference	18-May-20	Open statement	https://kirken.no/globalassets/kirken.no/bispemotet/2020/dokumenter/statement%20from%20the%20bishops%20conference.pdf

Churches in Canada	15-May-20	The Hon. François-Philippe Champagne, P.C., M.P. Minister for Foreign Affairs House of Commons	https://mcccanada.ca/sites/mcccanada.ca/files/media/ottawa/ecumenical_ltr_re_annexation_min_champagne_final-eng.pdf
The World Council of Churches (WCC) and the Middle East Council of Churches (MECC)	11-May-20	Foreign ministers that are part of the European Union	https://www.oikoumene.org/en/resources/documents/general-secretary/statements/joint-letter-to-heads-of-states-that-are-part-of-the-european-union/view
Patriarchs and Heads of local Churches of Jerusalem	7-May-20	Statement	Statement on Unilateral Israeli Annexation Plans
Association of International Development Agencies - AIDA	29-Jan-20	International community	https://www.lutheranworld.org/news/lwf-joins-coalition-reject-us-peace-prosperity-plan
South African Council of Churches		Open call (posted apparently at one of the main roads in South Africa)	
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America	28-Jan-20	Response to President Trump's "Peace to Prosperity" document	ELCA presiding bishop issues response to President Trump's "Peace to Prosperity" document