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رابطة العرب والشرق اوسطيون في الكنيسة الإنجيلية اللوثرية في امريكا

Association of Lutherans of Arab and Middle Eastern Heritage

Statement on the death and funeral of Shireen Abu Akleh

The Palestinian-American journalist Shireen Abu Akleh was assassinated while reporting on Israeli attacks in the West Bank on Thursday May 12, 2022. She was wearing protective head gear and a bullet proof vest which was clearly marked PRESS when she was gunned down. Her peaceful funeral procession was attacked by Israeli police hitting pallbearers with batons, attacking mourners with smoke grenades and shooting rubber bullets.

The Association of Lutheran of Arab and Middle Eastern Heritage are calling on our church to be informed of the reality regarding war crimes against Palestinians.

We cannot tolerate or stay silent regarding the crimes of the Israeli occupation.

We are requesting that our church and US government hold the Israeli government accountable for this and other unjust violence committed against the Palestinian people.

We are also asking that an independent international (not Israeli) investigation be implemented right away.

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