Above, a bulldozer with the KKL-JNF flag in al-Araqib in al-Naqab (Negev). Photo: Alternative Information Center (AIC)
Below, the wreckage of al-Araqib, an “unrecognized village” according to Israel. Photo: Svenja Kleinschmidt

To: the Honourable Diane Lebouthillier

I'm calling on you, the Minister of National Revenue, to revoke the charitable status of the Jewish National Fund (JNF) of Canada. The JNF's activities and policies run contrary to Canadian and international law.

The JNF was created in 1901 to acquire Palestinian land for exclusive Jewish settlement and use. This mandate forms the basis of the JNF's historical and current discriminatory and racially motivated land-use restrictions that violate the human and civil rights of indigenous Palestinians.

In 1951, the Supreme Court of Canada ruled that restricting ownership of land to a certain ethnic group is illegal. Israel's Attorney General, the U.S. State Department, the United Nations Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights and others have found that the JNF practices institutional discrimination. The JNF has charitable status in Canada, despite having bylaws that restrict the lease or sale of its land strictly to Jews.

It is an affront to universal human rights and both domestic and international law to grant charitable status to the JNF Canada.

Sincerely,

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