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Equality and Human Rights

Friends,

This past weekend a line was crossed. The world saw the horrific images of **Israeli policemen beating up pallbearers at the funeral of Palestinian journalist Shireen Abu-Akleh**. Only a complete idiot or an evil villain would allow cops to wade into a crowd of mourners paying their respects to start with.



photo:Oren Ziv

Israel Police's commissioner subsequently announced that he would launch an investigation but that officers would not be punished. So, what's the point of an investigation? If there'll be no punishment of Jerusalem's violent policemen, who only see Palestinians from the end of their batons, this means that their shameful conduct during the funeral was just fine.

Someone ought to be held accountable for what happened and draw conclusions.

We at Zulat propose to revoke the police commissioner's authority to **ban the hoisting of the Palestinian flag at demonstrations**. This is an anachronistic ban, which Israeli courts have long agreed has ceased to be relevant. We have drafted a bill to repeal this

article of the law and we intend to bring it to the Knesset next week, and advance it. This bill is part of a necessary general reform to cancel restrictions on freedom of protest in Israel.

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So that we can publish more policy papers, reports, and position papers, submit reforms to decision-makers, and reach more people on social media. I invite you to join the circle of donors to Zulat.

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Yours truly,

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