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## **U.S. Should Acknowledge Legitimacy of ICJ Ruling and Provisional Measures**

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WASHINGTON, D.C. — In response to the provisional ruling by the International Court of Justice in the case by South Africa alleging violations of the Genocide Convention by Israel, Center for International Policy (CIP) Executive Vice President Matt Duss issued the following statement:

“Today's ruling of the International Court of Justice, which ordered Israel to undertake provisional measures to ensure that Palestinians in Gaza are protected from acts of genocide, is enormously significant.

International legal fora such as the ICJ are appropriate venues for the handling of such consequential matters, especially in situations as dire as that today in Gaza. If we support the creation of a global community based on shared rules rather than simply might makes right, it is absolutely essential that all countries, including the United States, acknowledge the legitimacy of this ruling and take necessary steps in response.”

“Today's ruling marks a pivotal moment in international law. The U.S. must recognize this historic decision's legitimacy and respond appropriately. This is more than a legal technicality; it's about safeguarding human rights on a global scale,” added CIP President and CEO Nancy Okail.

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