

In 2014 I was proud to have voted in Parliament to recognise the state of Palestine - a historic UK vote. However, the Conservative government still refuses to recognise Palestinian statehood.

A Labour government will immediately recognise the state of Palestine.

Labour is committed to a comprehensive peace in the Middle East based on a two state solution with a secure and viable state of Palestine.

There can be no military solution to this conflict and all sides must avoid taking action that would make peace harder to achieve. That means both an end to the blockade, occupation and settlements, and an end to rocket and terror attacks. Labour will continue to press for an immediate return to meaningful negotiations leading to a diplomatic resolution.