

Jordan calls on UN Assembly to take 'collective action' over Middle East crisis; Syria conflict

King Abdullah II of Jordan told the United Nations General Assembly on Tuesday that “challenges do not make collective action and mutual respect less important,” and spotlighted the need for all countries to “pull together to get [the Middle East] peace process back on track.”

“We have a long way to go to deliver global opportunity and hope, but we can’t simply give up because the task is hard. All our countries benefit when we unite in common cause,” he told the Assembly’s annual general debate.

“Collective action is also vital when it comes to resolving other conflicts and crises that threaten our world. Jordan will continue to support all multilateral efforts to help Syria achieve a political solution, based on the Geneva process, and UN [Security Council resolution 2254](#) (2015), to safeguard the country’s unity, sovereignty and territorial integrity, and create the conditions for stability and rebuilding.”

Addressing the current situation of the Palestinians, King Abdullah appeals for a two-state solution and calls on the countries in the region to reflect on the alternatives of global inaction.

“There is no such thing as a unilateral agreement; it takes at least two parties to make an agreement. Helping the parties achieve that agreement, and work together to build a new future, deserves the strong, steady support of all our world.”

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