



## AUSTRALIANS MAKE HISTORIC STAND ON SYDNEY HARBOUR BRIDGE

Today marked a historic moment in Sydney. The March for Humanity across the Harbour Bridge was a powerful and peaceful demonstration, with well over 100,000 people— with some sources saying 300,000 people – taking part.

United in purpose, they called out: Stop the genocide. Stop killing and starving children. Let the aid in. Sanction Israel. Free Palestine.

We extend our sincere thanks to the NSW Police for their cooperation and professionalism in supporting the rights of protesters to gather and speak out.

We also express our heartfelt appreciation to the protesters. Despite the rain and unexpected changes to the march route, it was the calmness, discipline, and patience of the participants that ensured a peaceful and safe event for all.

The sheer number of attendees—marching in heavy rain—reflects the depth of feeling among the people of New South Wales regarding the ongoing crisis in Gaza and the broader plight of the Palestinian people.

It is, however, deeply disappointing that Premier Chris Minns went to great lengths to try to block this protest, and that the Shadow Attorney General Julian Leeser criticised the march and labelled it “divisive.” We remind our elected leaders, especially the Premier, that their duty is to represent and serve all the people of NSW.

Today, the people of New South Wales sent a clear and urgent message to the world: Stop the genocide. We pray that this collective action contributes, even in a small way, to alleviating the suffering of the Palestinian people.