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Illegal Israeli actions in Occupied East Jerusalem and the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions, including the resolutions of the tenth emergency special session on illegal Israeli actions in Occupied East Jerusalem and the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory,

Expressing its grave concern at the continuation of the tragic and violent events that have taken place since September 2000, especially the recent attacks and the increased number of casualties,

Expressing its profound concern at the grave situation in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including Jerusalem, particularly since the start of the Israeli military assault on Palestinian cities and the Palestinian Authority on 29 March 2002,

Gravely concerned at the extensive loss of the life and injuries suffered by the Palestinian people, as well as the destruction of both public and private property, including homes and institutions of the Palestinian Authority, caused by the Israeli military assault,

Gravely concerned in particular about the reports of possible war crimes committed in the Jenin refugee camp and other Palestinian cities by the Israeli occupying forces,

Expressing is profound concern at the dire humanitarian situation of the Palestinian civilian population, including the lack of access to food, water and medicines, owing to the Israeli siege and the attacks on Palestinian cities,

Deploring Israeli military attacks on holy sites in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including mosques and churches, and expressing grave concern at the Israeli military siege on the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem,

Noting that Security Council resolutions 1402 (2002) and 1403 (2002) have not yet been fully implemented,

Noting also that Israel, the occupying Power, has refused to cooperate with the Secretary-General's fact-finding team to the Jenin refugee camp, in violation of Security Council resolution 1405 (2002), noting as well the decision of the Secretary-General to disband the team, and welcoming his efforts to develop accurate information regarding the recent events,

Expressing regret that the Security Council did not take the necessary measures in response to the Israeli refusal to cooperate with the fact-finding team and the ensuing developments,

Reaffirming the applicability of the Fourth Geneva Convention relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War of 12 August 1949 to the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including Occupied East Jerusalem,

Reiterating the obligation of Israel, the occupying Power, to abide scrupulously by its legal obligations and responsibilities under the Fourth Geneva Convention,

Recalling the international liability with regard to grave breaches of the Fourth Geneva Convention, in accordance with article 148 of the Convention.

Expressing rejection of the Israeli culture of acting with disregard for Security Council resolutions, and stressing the need for full accountability in this regard,

Emphasizing the importance of the safety and well-being of all civilians in the whole Middle East region, and condemning in particular all acts of violence and terror resulting in deaths and injuries among Palestinian and Israeli civilians,

Welcoming and encouraging the diplomatic efforts of special envoys from the United States of America, the Russian Federation, the European Union and the United Nations, as well as others, to bring about a comprehensive, just and lasting peace in the Middle East,

- 1. Condemns the brutal assaults committed by the Israeli occupying forces against the Palestinian people in several Palestinian cities, particularly in the Jenin refugee camp;
- 2. Condemns also the refusal by Israel, the occupying Power, to cooperate with the Secretary-General's fact-finding team to the Jenin refugee camp, in violation of Security Council resolution 1405 (2002);
- 3. Calls for the implementation of the declaration adopted by the Conference of High Contracting Parties to the Fourth Geneva Convention, reconvened at Geneva on 5 December 2001, through concrete action on the national, regional and international levels to ensure respect by Israel, the occupying Power, of the provisions of the Convention;

- 4. Requests the Secretary-General to present a report, drawing upon the available resources and information, on the recent events that took place in Jenin and in other Palestinian cities;
- 5. Demands Israel, the occupying Power, to cease all hindrances and obstacles to the work of humanitarian organizations and the United Nations agencies in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, in particular the International Committee of the Red Cross and the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East, including lifting the restrictions on the freedom of movement and ensuring a free and safe access of staff and vehicles:
- 6. Calls for the provision of urgently needed assistance and services to help in alleviating the current humanitarian situation and the reconstruction efforts, including the rebuilding of the institutions of the Palestinian Authority;
- 7. Calls upon all concerned parties to redouble their efforts to assist the parties to end the current crisis and bring them back to negotiations towards the achievement of a final settlement on all issues, including the establishment of the State of Palestine;
- 8. Decides to adjourn the tenth emergency special session temporarily and to authorize the President of the General Assembly at its most recent session to resume its meetings upon request from Member States.