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**Letter dated 15 June 1982 from the Chairman of the Committee
on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian
People to the Secretary-General**

As Chairman of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, I have the honour once again to convey to you the Committee's gravest concern regarding Israel's continued occupation of the greater part of Lebanon and the loss of human life, intense suffering and endless destruction that has continued for over one week.

The consequences of this situation cannot be underestimated. The Committee is gravely concerned, on the one hand, at the prospect of the conflict sparking widespread turmoil and at the loss of life suffered by Palestinians, Lebanese citizens and others, and, on the other hand, at the declared aim of Israel to eliminate the Palestine Liberation Organization, the organization recognized by the United Nations as the representative of the Palestinian people. In the face of Israel's actions in the past week, it is essential that decisive steps be taken by the Security Council to put an end to the bloodshed and the consequent threat to international peace and security.

The Committee feels strongly that Israel should withdraw its forces immediately and unconditionally in accordance with [Security Council resolutions 508 \(1982\)](#) and [509 \(1982\)](#).

I should be grateful if you would kindly have the text of this letter circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under item 31 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Massamba SARRE
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on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian
People

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