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SECRETARY-GENERAL CONDEMNS ISRAEL'S SETTLEMENT PLANS, REITERATING THEIR ILLEGALITY

The following statement was issued yesterday by the Spokesperson for UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon:

The Secretary-General condemns the approval of plans for the building of 1,600 new housing units in East Jerusalem by the Israeli Mnistry of Interior earlier today. He reiterates that settlements are illegal under international law. Furthermore, he underscores that settlement activity is contrary to Israel's obligations under the Road Map and undermines any movement towards a viable peace process.

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