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I have the honour to inform you that His Majesty Hassan II, King of Morocco and Chairman of the Al Qods Committee, the principal organ of the Organization of the Islamic Conference, requests you to call an urgent meeting of the Security Council to consider the grave events now taking place in occupied Palestinian territory, and most particularly in the holy city of Jerusalem.

Once again, the Islamic holy places of the holy city have been the scene of bloody and profanatory actions perpetrated with the clearly determined intention of destroying prestigious monuments venerated by the Islamic community of the entire world since the dawn of Islam. Besides the many innocent victims felled by the criminal bullets of the soldiers of the occupation forces, this barbaric action is characterized by a close resemblance to the earlier attempt to set the El Aqsa mosque on fire, in that it is also aimed at the destruction of an Islamic mosque of the first magnitude, venerated in the minds and hearts of hundreds of millions of Moslems

This action, which outrages the profound feelings of the Islamic community, not only constitutes a new intolerable provocation against one of the world's most important communities, which has never ceased to make its humanistic and civilizing contribution to the building of a world of tolerance and peace, but also constitutes a grave threat to international security.

Accordingly, in conformity with the request of His Majesty, King Hassan II, Chairman of the Al Qods Committee, I hope that the Security Council will be able to meet soon in order to take the necessary steps and live up to its high responsibilities and in order to maintain respect for justice and equity and safeguard international peace and security.

(Signed) Mehdi MRANI ZENTAR Ambassador Permanent Representative of the Kingdom of Morocco
