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Letter dated 12 October 1984 from the Permanent Representative
of Bangladesh to the United Nations addressed to the
Secretary-General

On instructions of the Adviser for Foreign Affairs of the Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, in his capacity as Chairman of the Fourteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, I have the honour to request you to have the text of the attached Communiqué of the Co-ordinating Meeting of Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Organization of the Islamic Conference, held in New York on 4 October 1984, circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda items 28, 33, 36 and 44, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Khwaja WASIUDDIN
Permanent Representative

Communiqué of the Co-ordinating Meeting of Ministers for
Foreign Affairs of the Organization of the Islamic
Conference, held in New York on 4 October 1984

1. The Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the Organization of the Islamic Conference held their annual coordinating meeting on Thursday, 9 Muharram 1405 H (4 October 1984) in the United Nations Headquarters, New York. The meeting was presided over by H.E. Mr. Humayun Rasheed Choudhury, Adviser for Foreign Affairs of the Government of Bangladesh.

The participants reviewed the current international situation, especially those issues of concern to the member states of the Organization of the Islamic Conference listed on the agenda of the current session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

2. The meeting was convened under circumstances characterized by escalation of the Israeli aggression against the Palestinian people; Israeli rejection of all initiatives aimed at settlement of the Middle Eastern crisis; Israeli denial of the rights of the Palestinian people recognized by the international community, in addition to the arbitrary measures perpetrated against the Palestinian population, including ploys of intimidation against Palestinian national personalities; escalating aggression against the Islamic Holy Places, especially the numerous attempts to destroy Al-Aqsa Mosque; and the confiscation of land and properties and establishment of more settlements.

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3. The participants discussed the report of the Committee of Six on Palestine which held its meeting in the UN Headquarters, New York, on Tuesday, 7 Muharram 1405 H (2 October 1984) and decided to refer the report of the Committee of Six to the Islamic Group in order to exert a greater effort to attain its recommendations during the current session of the General Assembly.
4. The meeting reviewed the traumatic situation as a result of the continued Iraq-Iran war for its fifth year. It expressed its reaffirmation of the decisions adopted by previous Islamic Conferences.
5. The meeting discussed the situation in Afghanistan in the light of the report presented by H.E. the Secretary General of the OIC on the work of the Islamic Ad Hoc Committee on Afghanistan. In this document he particularly referred to the comprehensive presentation offered by the representative of Pakistan on the situation in Afghanistan and what it entails as a result of the continued foreign occupation of this Muslim country and the increased number of Afghan refugees in Pakistan, which now exceeds three million.

The meeting adopted a draft resolution submitted by Pakistan. The Islamic Group will present it during the current session of the General Assembly. This draft resolution called for an end to armed intervention by

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foreign forces in the affairs of Afghanistan and for the immediate withdrawal of those forces from Afghan territory. This draft resolution reaffirms that nation's inalienable right to choose a regime of its own.

6. The meeting took note of the declaration of the representative of Somalia concerning the violation by Ethiopia of its national territory. It reaffirmed at this juncture all resolutions adopted in this regard by Islamic conferences which emphasized the attachment of the OIC to the security of its member states and to their territorial integrity.
7. Further, the meeting took note of the disturbing situation in the drought-stricken countries of the African Sahel. It reaffirms its total solidarity with the victims of this catastrophe which persists in a part of the Islamic world and reiterates its appeal to member states to pay special interest to this situation and to bring to our sister countries all material assistance that would help them face this disaster.
8. Finally, the meeting took note of a report presented by the representative of Kuwait in his capacity as Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Islamic Center in New York, on the project of the construction of the Center. It approved the appeal directed to member states of the OIC to continue their support for the construction of this project, which is due to start soon.
