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THE POPULATION OF THE OCCUPIED
TERRITORIES

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Letter dated 9 July 1979 from the Chargé d'Affaires a.i. of the
Permanent Mission of Jordan to the United Nations addressed to
the Secretary-General

Upon instructions from my Government, I have the honour to bring to your attention the latest of Israeli inhuman practices in the occupied West Bank of Jordan. These practices not only defy the principles of the Charter of the United Nations, but also violate the principles of the fourth Geneva Convention of 1949 relating to the protection of civilians under occupation, to which Israel is a signatory. The list below reflects the evil character and dimension of the Zionist settler-colonial movement which has clung to the wicked aspirations of conquest, expansion, terror and arrogant racism.

1. On 4 June 1979, Israeli occupation authorities demolished the home of Itaf Ahmad Yusuf in the town of Al-Jariah, near Ramallah. She was accused of resisting Israeli occupation. Four other houses were sealed off and their owners arrested on the pretext of resisting Israeli occupation. The first house, in the area of Ramallah, was owned by an Arab girl named Hanan Nakhleh Elias Mish. The second house, in the town of Al-Bireh, was owned by another Arab girl, Nadia Ahmad Rashid Al-Khayyat. The other two houses, also in Al-Bireh, were owned by Jamal Ahmad Hassan Yasin Zayed.

2. On 3 June 1979, the Arab inhabitants of Silwan, near Jerusalem, sent Prime Minister Menachem Begin a message protesting the expropriation of more than 100,000 dunums of their cultivated land in the area of Maale Adumin (Al-Khan Al-Ahmar) near Jericho, and in the Dead Sea area. This land is the only source of their livelihood and that of Silwan. They told Begin

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to send a copy of their message to President Carter and Egypt's President, Anwar Sadat.

3. On 3 June 1979, Israel's Cabinet approved the establishment of a Jewish settlement named Elon Moreh on several thousands of dunums of privately owned Arab land, in the area of the village of Rujib, seven kilometres south of Nablus. The Gush Emunim group, who are the henchmen of Begin, are planning an urban Jewish centre of about 100,000 Israeli settlers - twice as large as the Arab city of Nablus.

4. On 7 June 1979, the Israeli newspaper Ma'ariv reported that the Gush Emunim gang is leading a large and vicious campaign for expanding the land areas of existing Jewish settlements in the West Bank of Jordan. The following list shows the present area of each settlement in dunums and the planned expansion of each one of them:

	<u>Present area</u>	<u>Required area</u>
1. Dotan (Sanur)	46	1,500
2. Shomron	100	1,500
3. Qaddum	300	1,500
4. Qarney - Shomron	150	1,500
5. El-Qana	310	1,500
6. Ariail	110	5,000
7. Tapuah	150	1,500
8. Neve Zuf	900	1,500
9. Ofra	350	1,500
10. Beit El	225	1,500
11. Beit Horon	150	1,500
12. Giv'on	90	5,000
13. Mizpeh Jericho	1,000	1,500
14. Qiryat Arba	4,250	5,000

I put these facts before Your Excellency in the light of a statement made by Begin, hours after the Israeli Cabinet approved the establishment of the Elon Moreh settlement near Nablus. He said "there has never been an action more legal than settlement by Jews in all the territories of the land of Israel". Given the Zionist character of Israel and its shameless record since its creation in 1948, there can never be a greater insult to the values of mankind than Begin's statement. Therefore, I call upon Your Excellency to use your good offices to put an end to the inhuman practices of the Israeli authorities in the West Bank of Jordan including Jerusalem.

I have the honour to request that this letter be circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under item 51 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

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