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QUESTION OF THE VIOLATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS  
IN THE TERRITORIES OCCUPIED AS A RESULT OF HOSTILITIES  
IN THE MIDDLE EAST

Report of the Secretary-General

1. At its thirty-first session the Commission on Human Rights adopted resolution 6A (XXXI), paragraph 12 of which requests the Secretary-General to bring that resolution to the attention of all Governments, the competent United Nations organs, the specialized agencies and regional intergovernmental organizations and to give it the widest publicity, and to report to the Commission at its thirty-second session.
2. In accordance with the request of the Commission, the Secretary-General brought the resolution to the attention of all Governments by note verbale dated 8 July 1975. The resolution was also brought to the attention of the members of the General Assembly and the Security Council in document A/10137 - S/11762. It was communicated to the members of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Population of the Occupied Territories.
3. Furthermore, the resolution was transmitted to the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, the World Health Organization, the International Labour Office, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East. The Council of Europe, the Organization of African Unity, the Organization of American States and the League of Arab States were also informed of the content of the Commission's resolution.
4. The United Nations Office of Public Information gave all possible appropriate publicity to the resolution, both at Headquarters and at the United Nations Office at Geneva, in connexion with its coverage of the proceedings of the thirty-first session of the Commission on Human Rights. In particular, a full press release covering the work of the Commission at its thirty-first session dealt with the matter. It was summarized in the April 1975 issue of the United Nations Monthly Chronicle.

Radio coverage was given to the proceedings of the Commission in the weekly programme News Summary and in the news magazine The Week at the United Nations; this coverage encompassed nineteen languages. In addition, in February and March 1975 the Office of Public Information sent circular memoranda to its world-wide network of United Nations Information Centres, drawing the attention of the Centre Directors to the work of the Commission. Progress reports from the Information Centres during 1975 indicate that extensive publicity was given in the areas served by the centres. Further coverage will be given by the various services of the Office of Public Information to the Commission on Human Rights discussion of the present item.