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PRACTICES AFFECTING THE HUMAN RIGHTS OF THE POPULATION  
OF THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES

Note by the Secretary-General

Corrigendum

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Paragraph 14, which contained clerical errors in transcription, should read as follows:

In a note verbale addressed to the Secretary-General on 7 April 1971, the Permanent Representative of Israel communicated the following:

"The Permanent Representative of Israel to the United Nations presents his compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and, on instructions of his Government, has the honour to make the following communication.

"On 22 February 1971, a communication was addressed to the Permanent Representative of Israel by Ambassador H.S. Amerasinghe of Ceylon, in his capacity of Chairman of the 'Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Population of the Occupied Territories'. On 10 February 1971, a communication was addressed to the Permanent Representative of Israel by Ambassador Ibrahima Boye, of Senegal, in his capacity of Chairman of the 'Special Working Group of Experts established under resolution 6 (XXV) of the Commission on Human Rights'. Those two letters gave some information regarding projected activities of the two bodies in question in the course of the year 1971.

"The views of the Israel Government regarding the illegal constitution, biased terms of reference and incompetence of the organs

in question to carry out the tasks sought to be imposed upon them by resolutions adopted by a minority of the General Assembly on the one hand and a minority of members of the Commission on Human Rights on the other hand, as well as on the supererogatory duplicity of effort are a matter of record.

"Aside from its statements and votes in the twenty-third, twenty-fourth and twenty-fifth sessions of the General Assembly, the views of the Government of Israel on the unconstitutionality of the Committee presided over by Ambassador Amerasinghe appear in the notes of the Permanent Representative of Israel of 19 June 1969 (A/7495/Add.1) and 6 January 1970 (A/8089, para. 11).

"Aside from its statements and votes in the twenty-fifth, twenty-sixth and twenty-seventh sessions of the Commission on Human Rights, the views of the Government of Israel on the unconstitutionality of the Committee presided over by Ambassador Boye appear in the note of the Permanent Representative of Israel of 25 June 1969 (E/CN.4/1016, para. 9).

"Furthermore, experience which had been gained of the 'accomplishments' of both these bodies, and of the extensive travel in which they have been engaged, endorses Israel's views regarding their unconstitutionality and biased character.

"The Government of Israel has no further comment to make at this stage on the activities of these two organs except to reiterate its views as indicated above.

"It would therefore be appreciated if the Secretary-General would transmit copies of this note verbale to Ambassador Amerasinghe and Ambassador Boye.

"The Permanent Representative of Israel avails himself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretary-General the assurances of his highest consideration."

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