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Items 25 and 114 of the provisional agenda* THE SITUATION IN THE MIDDLE EAST MEASURES TO PREVENT INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM WHICH ENDANGERS OR TAKES INNOCENT HUMAN LIVES OR JEOPARDIZES FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS, AND STUDY OF THE UNDERLYING CAUSES OF THOSE FORMS OF TERRORISM AND ACTS OF VIOLENCE WHICH LIE IN MISERY, FRUSTRATION, GRIEVANCE AND DESPAIR AND WHICH CAUSE SOME PEOPLE TO SACRIFICE HUMAN LIVES, INCLUDING THEIR OWN, IN AN ATTEMPT TO EFFECT RADICAL CHANGES

> Letter dated 7 August 1979 from the Chargé d'Affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Israel to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Further to my letter of 27 July 1979 (A/34/387-S/13474), I wish to draw your attention to yet another outrage perpetrated in Jerusalem by PLO terrorists.

At about 0900 hours on Sunday, 5 August 1979, a large explosive device went off opposite the Municipal Building in the city centre. As a result, six persons were injured, two of them seriously. As usual, the PLO on its radio in Lebanon bragged of its responsibility for this atrocity immediately after its occurrence.

Such PLO acts of terror, irrespective of who the victim is, be it a child or a woman or a tourist or a pilgrim in Jerusalem, underline the ruthless nature of that syndicate of murderers.

That the PLO is a terrorist instrument in the hands of certain Arab Governments engaged in a concerted campaign against the peace process in the Middle East was demonstrated recently by the appointment of a former Syrian major-general as a director of the so-called "military department" of the PLO.

Facts such as these, rather than the attempts of the PLO at deception or the wishful illusions entertained by others, reveal the true character of the

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PLO and the aim it serves, and thus oblige the Government of Israel to take all measures necessary to protect the lives and safety of its citizens.

I have the honour to request that this letter be circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under items 25 and 114 of the provisional agenda, and of the Security Council.

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