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Letter dated 2 February 1979 from the Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to refer to the letters dated 31 January 1979 addressed to you by Mr. Hasan Rahman, Deputy Permanent Observer of the Palestine Liberation Organization to the United Nations, concerning recent acts of repression pursued by the Israeli forces of occupation against Arab inhabitants of the West Bank.

I would be grateful if the above-mentioned letters would be circulated as official documents of the General Assembly under the item entitled "Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Population of the Occupied Territories", and of the Security Council.

(<u>Signed</u>) Hammoud EL-CHOUFI
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

## ANNEX I

Letter dated 31 January 1979 from the Deputy Permanent Observer of the Palestine Liberation Organization to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Upon instructions of the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organization, I should like to draw to your attention the following.

Once again, in line with its established policy of indiscriminate state terrorism, agents from the murderous Zionist intelligence agency (Mossad) committed a cowardly crime by planting fifty kilograms of explosives in an unmarked car in a residential section of Beirut. The explosion resulted in the death of our colleague, Ali Hasan Salameh, Chief of Security of the Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organization, together with four of his assistants and five civilian passers-by. Twenty other passers-by, including women and children, were injured in the explosion.

The Israelis will be held responsible for their crimes against the Palestinian people.

(<u>Signed</u>) Hasan RAHMAN

Deputy Permanent Observer

Chargé d'Affaires, a.i.

## ANNEX II

Letter dated 31 January 1979 from the Deputy Permanent Observer of the Palestine Liberation Organization to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Upon instructions of the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organization, I should like to call to your attention the recent criminal acts perpetrated by the Israeli authorities of occupation.

On 30 January, Israeli forces demolished the homes of eight Palestinian families in Nablus and in Abu-Dis, a suburb of Jerusalem. In line with their usual practice, the terrorists ordered residents out of their homes and, after denying them time to gather and remove their belongings, blew up the eight houses, reducing them to rubble.

On the same day, the Israeli authorities made known their intention to deport the Palestinian student, Riyad Abu Awad, who was served with an expulsion order on 30 January.

These acts of terrorism perpetrated against the Palestinian people by the Zionist state are in line with the Israeli policy of racism and racial discrimination that has a precedent in Nazi Germany. They constitute collective punishment which is in direct violation of the Geneva Convention and international law.

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(<u>Signed</u>) Hasan RAHMAN

Deputy Permanent Observer

Chargé D'Affaires, a.i.