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LETTER DATED 19 DECEMBER 1978 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE
OF KUWAIT TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF
THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to enclose herewith a letter from the Permanent Observer of the Palestine Liberation Organization addressed to the President of the Security Council. This letter is in connexion with the dastardly actions of Israel in the occupied Palestinian territories. I would like Your Excellency to arrange for the distribution of the letter as a document of the Security Council so as to let the world know the true nature of the modern predators of Palestinian land.

(Signed) Abdulla Yaccoub BISHARA
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

Annex

Letter dated 19 December 1978 from the Permanent Observer of the
Palestine Liberation Organization addressed to the President of
the Security Council

On instructions from the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organization, I wish to call to your attention the seriously aggravating situation in the occupied Palestinian territories as a result of the prolonged, illegal Israeli occupation and the persistent policy and practices in violation of the principles of the Charter of the United Nations, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the Geneva Conventions and the numerous resolutions of the General Assembly.

Early in December, the University of Bir Zeit was subjected to a wave of harassment and repression. A number of students were arbitrarily arrested and detained. On 4 December, Arab houses in the villages of Silwad and Kafr Kallil were demolished. Curfew was imposed on the village of Silwad.

On 11 December, Israeli forces of occupation ordered the fencing-off of around 1,200 dunums of built-up land in the municipality of Beit Sahour (Shepherds' Fields). On 16 December, curfew was imposed on the town of Halhoul in the district of Hebron.

These atrocious practices can only provoke the aggravation of an already explosive and serious situation.

I am further instructed to ask you to take adequate measures to bring to an end such provocations by eliminating their root causes.

(Signed) Zehdi Labib TERZI
Permanent Observer
