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TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to transmit herewith the text of resolution 32/40 A concerning the question of Palestine, adopted by the General Assembly at its 91st plenary meeting on 2 December 1977.*

In paragraphs 3 and 4 of that resolution, the General Assembly

"3. Notes with satisfaction that, during the consideration of the report of the Committee by the Security Council at its 2041st meeting, on 27 October 1977, all members of the Council who participated in the discussion reaffirmed that a just and lasting peace in the Middle East could not be established without the achievement, in particular, of a just solution of the problem of Palestine on the basis of the attainment of the inalienable rights of the Palestinian people;

"4. Urges the Security Council to take as soon as possible a decision on the recommendations endorsed by the General Assembly in its resolution 31/20 as a basis for the solution of the problem of Palestine."

(Signed) Kurt WALDHEIM
Secretary-General

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