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Letter dated 17 September 1981 from the Permanent Representative  
of the Sudan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-  
General

As Chairman of the Arab Group in the United Nations for September 1981, I have the honour to transmit to Your Excellency the reservations of the Arab Group concerning the credentials of the Israeli delegation to the thirty-sixth session of the United Nations General Assembly and its non-recognition thereof. The Arab Group has based its reservations on the following:

1. Israel's flagrant violations of the United Nations Charter, its continuing defiance of all Security Council and General Assembly resolutions concerning the Palestine and Middle East questions and its perpetuation of its policies of aggression against the Arab peoples and the Arab States.
2. The Israeli delegation represents a Government which declared the Holy City of Jerusalem its capital, an act which constitutes a flagrant defiance of international law and an outrageous violation of United Nations resolutions concerning the Holy City of Jerusalem, particularly Security Council resolutions 476 (1980) and 478 (1980) and General Assembly resolution ES-7/2 of 29 July 1980.

The Arab Group wishes to draw attention to the fact that the participation of the Israeli delegation in the work of the United Nations General Assembly must not prejudice the definite status of the Holy City of Jerusalem or any arrangements which the General Assembly or the Security Council may make to implement the United Nations resolutions concerning the Palestine and Holy Jerusalem questions.

The President of  
the United Nations  
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I should be grateful if you would circulate this letter as an official document of the thirty-sixth session of the United Nations General Assembly under agenda item 3.

(Signed) Abdel-Rahman ABDALLA  
Permanent Representative  
Chairman of the Arab Group  
for September 1981

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