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THE HUMAN RIGHTS OF THE POPULATION OF  
THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES

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Letter dated 26 March 1979 from the Permanent Representative of  
Jordan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Upon instructions from my Government, I have the honour to enclose the text of a message (annex I) from the Arab Palestinian woman detained for life in the Israeli Prison for Women at Al-Ramleh. Also enclosed is a photocopy of the original message (annex II), which gives an authentic sample of the inhuman treatment by Israel of Palestinian detainees in Israeli prisons.

I kindly request that the text of the message and the copy of the original be circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under item 51 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Hazem NUSEIBEH  
Ambassador  
Permanent Representative

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ANNEX I

Text of a message dated 21 December 1978 received  
from Mariam Al-Shakhshir

General Directorate for Prisons

Sender's name: Mariam Al-Shakhshir  
Concentration camp of: Al-Ramleh

I wish to bring the following facts to your attention. We have three fellow female prisoners here who have been sentenced to life imprisonment. They have already spent ten years in prison and are seriously ill. One of them, Aysha Oda suffers from heart disease, gastric ulcers, pains in the kidneys, headaches, rheumatism and other diseases. The second one, Ayda Saad, suffers from pneumonia and her sputum is mixed with blood. The third prisoner is Afifah Bannoura, who suffers from rheumatism which has affected her heart and the small arteries in her legs.

As the continuation of this situation means death for these three fellow prisoners, I beg you to save them. We are all hopeful that you will take speedy and ample steps in this regard.

With my best regards and those of my fellow prisoners.

(Signed) Mariam Al-Shakhshir

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