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The General Assembly,

Deeply concerned by the findings in the Independent Review Group's review, which indicated that "UNRWA faces challenges due to increased politicization among its staff, affecting its neutrality",¹

Expressing deep concern over the findings in the Independent Review Group's review which indicated that "UNRWA's facilities have sometimes been misused for political or military gains, undermining its neutrality",²

Deeply disturbed over the findings of the Office of Internal Oversight Services which indicated in nine cases that "UNRWA staff members may have been involved in the armed attacks of 7 October 2023",³

Requests the Secretary-General to provide a detailed analysis on the Agency's facilities that have been misused for political or military gains.

¹ Final report for the United Nations Secretary-General, Independent Review of Mechanisms and Procedures to Ensure Adherence by UNRWA to the Humanitarian Principle of Neutrality, 20 April 2024 (Neutrality of staff, p. 39).

² Ibid. (Neutrality of installations, p. 40).

³ Note to correspondents – on the UN Office of Internal Oversight Services (OIOS) investigation of the UN Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA), 5 August 2024.

