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> REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE ISRAELI PRACTICES AFFECTING THE HUMAN RIGHTS OF THE POPULATION OF THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES

Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Brunei Darussalam, Cuba, Egypt, India, Indonesia, Jordan, * Madagascar, Malaysia, Nicaragua, Pakistan and Zambia: draft resolution

Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Population of the Occupied Territories

The General Assembly,

Recalling Security Council resolution 465 (1980) of 1 March 1980,

Recalling also its resolutions 32/5 of 28 October 1977, 33/113 B of 18 December 1978, 34/90 C of 12 December 1979, 35/122 B of 11 December 1980, 36/147 B of 16 December 1981, 37/88 B of 10 December 1982, 38/79 C of 15 December 1983, 39/95 C of 14 December 1984, 40/161 C of 16 December 1985, 41/63 C of 3 December 1986 and 42/160 C of 8 December 1987,

Expressing grave anxiety and concern at the present serious situation in the Palestinian and other occupied Arab territories, including Jerusalem, as a result of the continued Israeli occupation and the measures and actions taken by Israel, the occupying Power, designed to change the legal status, geographical nature and demographic composition of those territories,

On behalf of States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of Arab States.

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Taking note of the relevant reports of the Secretary-General, 1/

Confirming that the Geneva Convention relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War, of 12 August 1949, 2/ is applicable to all Palestinian and other Arab territories occupied by Israel since June 1967, including Jerusalem,

- 1. <u>Determines</u> that all such measures and actions taken by Israel in the Palestinian and other Arab territories occupied since 1967, including Jerusalem, are in violation of the relevant provisions of the Geneva Convention relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War, of 12 August 1949, and constitute a serious obstacle to the efforts to achieve a comprehensive, just and lasting peace in the Middle East and therefore have no legal validity;
- 2. <u>Strongly deplores</u> the persistence of Israel in carrying out such measures, in particular the establishment of settlements in the Palestinian and other occupied Arab territories, including Jerusalem;
- 3. <u>Demands</u> that Israel comply strictly with its international obligations in accordance with the principles of international law and the provisions of the Geneva Convention;
- 4. <u>Demands once more</u> that Israel, the occupying Power, desist forthwith from taking any action which would result in changing the legal status, geographical nature or demographic composition of the Palestinian and other Arab territories occupied since 1967, including Jerusalem;
- 5. <u>Urgently calls upon</u> all States parties to the Geneva Convention to respect and to exert all efforts in order to ensure respect for and compliance with its provisions in all Palestinian and other Arab territories occupied by Israel since 1967, including Jerusalem;
- 6. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its forty-fourth session on the implementation of the present resolution.

^{1/} A/43/609, A/43/806, S/19443.

^{2/} United Nations, Treaty Series, vol. 75, No. 973.