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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

The General Assembly,

Bearing in mind the Geneva Convention relative to the Protection of Civilian
Persons in Time of War, of 12 August 1949, 1/

Deeply concerned at the continued and intensified harassment by Israel, the
occupying Power, against educational institutions in the occupied Palestinian
territories,

Recalling Security Council resolution 605 (1981) of 22 December 1987,

Recalling its resolutions 38/79 G of 15 December 1983, 39/95 G of
14 December 1984, 40/161 G of 16 December 1985, 41/63 G of 3 December 1986,
43/160 G of 8 December 1987 and 43/21 of 3 November 1988,

Taking note of the relevant reports of the Secretary-General, 2/

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

1/ United Nations, Treaty Series, vol. 75, No. 973.

2/ A/43/560, A/43/806 and S/19443.

Taking note of the relevant decisions adopted by the Executive Board of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization concerning the educational and cultural situation in the occupied territories,

1. Reaffirms the applicability of the Geneva Convention relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War, of 12 August 1949, to the Palestinian and other Arab territories occupied by Israel since 1967, including Jerusalem;
2. Condemns Israeli policies and practices against Palestinian students and faculties in schools, universities and other educational institutions in the occupied Palestinian territories, especially the opening of fire on defenceless students, causing many casualties;
3. Condemns the systematic Israeli campaign of repression against and closing of universities, schools and other educational and vocational institutions in the occupied Palestinian territory, restricting and impeding the academic activities of Palestinian universities by subjecting the selection of courses, textbooks and education programmes, the admission of students and the appointment of faculty members to the control and supervision of the military occupation authorities, in clear contravention of the Geneva Convention;
4. Demands that Israel, the occupying Power, comply with the provisions of that Convention, rescind all actions and measures against all educational institutions, ensure the freedom of those institutions and refrain forthwith from hindering the effective operation of the universities, schools and other educational institutions;
5. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly as soon as possible but not later than the beginning of its forty-fourth session on the implementation of the present resolution.
