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LETTER DATED 2 MARCH 1971 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF JORDAN TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

Upon instructions from my Government and further to the letter addressed to Your Excellency by the representative of the United Arab Republic and myself (A/8286 and Corr.1, S/10130 and Corr.1), I have the honour to bring to your attention a new measure of confiscation of Arab property in Jerusalem by the Israeli occupying authorities.

According to the Israeli daily <u>Haaretz</u> of 11 January 1971, the Israeli occupying authorities issued an order of transferring the shares of the Electricity Company of the District of Jerusalem belonging to the Jordanian municipality to the Israeli municipality. The shares, which number 6,186, are worth 61,860 J.D. (\$173,208).

This new measure of confiscation of Arab property by the Israeli authorities belies the superficial attempt by the Israeli representative in his letter of 1 March 1971 (A/8289, S/10138) to distort the facts by resorting to euphemism. One look at the maps and their explanations annexed to the United Arab Republic's and our letter (A/8286 and Corr.1, S/10130 and Corr.1) shows the distribution of land and Israel's confiscation, which indicates a racial and discriminatory policy as well as violations of United Nations resolutions and the Geneva Conventions of 1949.

I shall be grateful if this letter is circulated as an official document of the Security Council and the General Assembly.

(Signed) Muhammad H. EL-FARRA Ambassador Permanent Representative

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