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QUESTION OF PALESTINE

Afghanistan, Bulgaria, Cuba, German Democratic Republic, India, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Madagascar, Malaysia, Mali, Pakistan, Senegal, Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic and Yugoslavia: draft resolution

The General Assembly,

Having considered the item entitled "Question of Palestine",

Recalling its resolution 181 (II) of 29 November 1947, in which, inter alia, it called for the establishment of an Arab State and a Jewish State in Palestine,

Mindful of the special responsibility of the United Nations to achieve a just solution to the question of Palestine,

Aware of the proclamation of the State of Palestine by the Palestine National Council in line with General Assembly resolution 181 (II) of 29 November 1947 and in exercise of the inalienable rights of the Palestinian people,

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Affirming the urgent need to achieve a just and comprehensive settlement in the Middle East which, inter alia, provides for peaceful coexistence for all States in the region,

Recalling its resolution 3237 (XXIX) of 22 November 1974, on the observer status of the Palestine Liberation Organization and subsequent relevant resolutions,

1.   Acknowledges the proclamation of the State of Palestine by the Palestine National Council on 15 November 1988;

2.   Affirms the need to enable the Palestinian people to exercise their sovereignty over their territory occupied since 1967;

3.   Decides that, effective as of 15 December 1988, the designation "Palestine" should be used in place of the designation "Palestine Liberation Organization" in the United Nations system without prejudice to the observer status and functions of the Palestine Liberation Organization within the United Nations system in conformity with relevant United Nations resolutions and practice;

4.   Requests the Secretary-General to take necessary action to implement the present resolution.