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The right of the Palestinian people to self-determination

The General Assembly,

Aware that the development of friendly relations among nations, based on respect for the principle of equal rights and self-determination of peoples, is among the purposes and principles of the United Nations, as defined in the Charter,

Recalling in this regard its resolution 2625 (XXV) of 24 October 1970, entitled "Declaration on Principles of International Law concerning Friendly Relations and Cooperation among States in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations",

Bearing in mind the International Covenants on Human Rights,² the Universal Declaration of Human Rights,³ the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples⁴ and the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action adopted at the World Conference on Human Rights on 25 June 1993,⁵

Recalling the Declaration on the Occasion of the Fiftieth Anniversary of the United Nations,⁶

¹ In accordance with General Assembly resolution 52/250.

² Resolution 2200 A (XXI), annex.

³ Resolution 217 A (III).

⁴ Resolution 1514 (XV).

⁵ A/CONF.157/24 (Part I), chap. III.

⁶ See resolution 50/6.

Recalling also the United Nations Millennium Declaration,⁷

Taking into account the Advisory Opinion of the International Court of Justice on the *Legal Consequences of the Construction of a Wall in the Occupied Palestinian Territory*, issued on 9 July 2004, and noting in particular the determination of the Court that the “right of peoples to self-determination is today a right erga omnes”,

Concerned by the fact that, as concluded by the Court in its Advisory Opinion, the construction of the wall by Israel, the occupying Power, in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, along with measures previously taken, severely impedes the right of the Palestinian people to self-determination,

Expressing the urgent need for the resumption of negotiations within the Middle East peace process on its agreed basis and for the speedy achievement of a final settlement between the Palestinian and Israeli sides,

Recalling its resolution 58/292 of 6 May 2004,

Affirming the right of all States in the region to live in peace within secure and internationally recognized borders,

1. *Reaffirms* the right of the Palestinian people to self-determination, including the right to their independent State of Palestine;

2. *Urges* all States and the specialized agencies and organizations of the United Nations system to continue to support and assist the Palestinian people in the early realization of their right to self-determination.

⁷ See resolution 55/2.