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Letter dated 7 February 1989 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i.  
of the Permanent Observer Mission of Palestine to the United  
Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I am instructed by the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organization, which has the powers and responsibilities of the Provisional Government of Palestine, to bring the following to your immediate attention.

The situation in the Palestinian territory occupied by Israel since 1967, including Jerusalem, remains dangerous and has deteriorated further as a result of the effective implementation of additional repressive measures against our people that have resulted in an increasing number of casualties. Over the past weekend, three Palestinian teenagers have been killed and more than 35 injured. It is important to remind you that, since December 1988, 55 Palestinians have been killed and at least 500 injured.

We believe that the aforementioned dangerous situation requires official consideration by the Security Council.

We should be grateful if you would arrange to have the text of this letter circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under the items entitled "Question of Palestine", "The situation in the Middle East" and "Report of

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the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Population of the Occupied Territories", and of the Security Council.

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