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draft resolution

Living conditions of the Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian territory

The General Assembly,

Recalling the Vancouver Declaration on Human Settlements, 1976 1/ and the relevant recommendations for national action 2/ adopted by Habitat: United Nations Conference on Human Settlements,

Recalling also its resolution 42/19. of 11 December 1987,

Expressing its support for the intifadah of the Palestinian people against the Israeli occupation,

Expressing its opposition to the Israeli practices against the Palestinian people aimed at ending the intifadah and prolonging the occupation and its benefits to the Israeli economy,

1/ Report of Habitat: United Nations Conference on Human Settlements, Vancouver, 31 May-11 June 1976 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.76.IV.7 and corrigendum), chap. I.

2/ Ibid., chap. II.

Gravely alarmed by the continuation of the Israeli settlement policies, which have been declared null and void and a major obstacle to peace,

Taking into account the need of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development for extrabudgetary resources to prepare a comprehensive study on the Palestinian national economy,

1. Takes note with appreciation of the note by the Secretary-General concerning the infrastructure needed by the Palestinian people; 3/

2. Calls for the immediate cessation of the Israeli practices against the Palestinian people, including economic sieges, burning of crops and harvests and blowing up and sealing off of houses;

3. Expresses its alarm at the drastic deterioration in the living conditions of the Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian territory as a result of deliberate Israeli policies and measures;

4. Affirms that the elimination of the Israeli occupation and the exercise by the Palestinian people of their right to sovereignty are prerequisites for their social and economic development in the occupied Palestinian territory;

5. Rejects the Israeli plans and actions intended to change the demographic composition of the occupied Palestinian territory in particular the increase and expansion of the Israeli colonial settlements;

6. Requests the Secretary-General to make available to the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development the extra funds needed to prepare a comprehensive study on the Palestinian national economy;

7. Also requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its forty-sixth session, through the Economic and Social Council, on the progress made in the implementation of the present resolution.
