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AFFECTING THE HUMAN RIGHTS OF THE POPULATION OF THE OCCUPIED  
TERRITORIES

Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Burkina Faso, Brunei Darussalam,  
Comoros, Indonesia, Madagascar, Malaysia, Nicaragua, Pakistan,  
and Zambia: draft resolution

Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices  
Affecting the Human Rights of the Population of the Occupied  
Territories

The General Assembly,

Bearing in mind the Geneva Convention relative to the Protection of Civilian  
Persons in Time of War, of 12 August 1949, 1/

Deeply concerned at the continued and intensified harassment by Israel, the  
occupying Power, against educational institutions in the occupied Palestinian  
territory,

Recalling Security Council resolution 605 (1987) of 22 December 1987,

Recalling its resolutions 38/79 G of 15 December 1983, 39/95 G of  
14 December 1984, 40/161 G of 16 December 1985, 41/63 G of 3 December 1986,  
42/160 G of 8 December 1987, 43/21 of 3 November 1988, 43/58 G of 6 December 1988  
and 44/2 of 6 October 1989,

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Taking note of the relevant reports of the Secretary-General, 2/

Taking note of the relevant decisions adopted by the Executive Board of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization concerning the educational and cultural situation in the occupied Palestinian territory,

1. Reaffirms the applicability of the Geneva Convention relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War, of 12 August 1949, to the occupied Palestinian territory, including Jerusalem, and other Arab territories occupied by Israel since 1967;
2. Condemns Israeli policies and practices against Palestinian students and faculties in schools, universities and other educational institutions in the occupied Palestinian territory, especially the opening of fire on defenceless students, causing many casualties;
3. Condemns the systematic Israeli campaign of repression against and closing of universities, schools and other educational and vocational institutions in the occupied Palestinian territory, numerous for prolonged periods, restricting and impeding the academic activities of Palestinian universities by subjecting the selection of courses, textbooks and educational programmes, the admission of students and the appointment of faculty members to the control and supervision of the military occupation authorities, in flagrant contravention of the Geneva Convention;
4. Demands that Israel, the occupying Power, comply with the provisions of that Convention, rescind all actions and measures against all educational institutions, ensure the freedom of those institutions and refrain forthwith from hindering the effective operation of the universities, schools and other educational institutions;
5. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly as soon as possible but not later than the beginning of its forty-fifth session on the implementation of the present resolution.

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