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Identical letters dated 14 October 2022 from the Permanent Observer of the State of Palestine to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, the President of the General Assembly and the President of the Security Council

I am compelled to immediately follow-up my letter of yesterday as the Israeli occupying forces continue their killing spree in Occupied Palestine.

Not a single day passes without loss of life, trauma and terror for the Palestinian people under this criminal colonial occupation and apartheid regime, whose military forces and settler militias are relentlessly harassing, intimidating, provoking and attacking them, literally hunting down Palestinian men, women and children, who continue to be deprived not only of international protection but of the very right to defend and protect themselves in their own homes, villages, towns and cities.

Once again, the Jenin refugee camp has been targeted and once again Palestinian civilians, a youth and a doctor who was attempting to care for those wounded in the Israeli military raid, have been murdered.

Dr. Abdullah Al-Ahmad Abu Al-Teen, age 43, was shot in the head by Israeli soldiers in front of Jenin government hospital and succumbed to his wounds. He was an only child to his parents and was married and the father of three children. Yet another Palestinian family has been devastated, grieving the loss of their loved one, the loss of the one who provided sustenance for the family, the loss of their well-being and stability from here forward.

Two paramedics were also injured in the Israeli attack today on Jenin as they tried to reach the injured Palestinian civilians. Among the casualties was a Palestinian youth, Mateen Dabaya, age 20, who was shot and killed by Israeli occupying forces live fire, and who leaves behind a family mourning the loss of their son who had yet to live his life.

This unending cycle of Israeli occupying forces military raids and attacks by armed, extremist Israeli settlers, who are constantly prowling around terrorizing Palestinian civilians, including children and including medical personnel and



journalists, is inflaming already-high tensions, risking more violence and more loss of innocent lives.

The international community cannot remain silent as innocent civilians continue to be mercilessly targeted simply for trying to live in their homeland, trying to survive the misery and savagery and loss inflicted on them every single day by a belligerent occupier and racist colonizer that is targeting them solely for who they are: Palestinians.

These are war crimes and crimes against humanity. The world cannot continue accepting the false pretexts and excuses given by Israel for its illegal and cruel policies and practices against the Palestinian people and cannot normalize such inhumanity against a people. Only accountability can stem the bloodshed and the dangerous downward spiral Israel is insisting on dragging us all on.

It is past time for the international community, and particularly the Security Council, to act to insist instead on compliance with international law without exceptions and equally on clear measures of accountability – for Israeli government officials, military personnel and settlers – in the light of Israel’s flagrant human rights violations and war crimes against the Palestinian people.

This letter is in follow-up to our 767 letters regarding the ongoing crisis in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, which constitutes the territory of the State of Palestine. These letters, dated from 29 September 2000 ([A/55/432-S/2000/921](#)) to 17 October 2022 ([A/ES-10/914-S/2022/758](#)), constitute a basic record of the crimes being committed by Israel, the occupying Power, against the Palestinian people since September 2000. For all of these war crimes, acts of State terrorism and systematic human rights violations being committed against the Palestinian people, Israel, the occupying Power, must be held accountable and the perpetrators must be brought to justice.

I should be grateful if you would arrange to have the present letter distributed as a document of the tenth emergency special session of the General Assembly, under agenda item 5, and of the Security Council.

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