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League of Arab States at the Level of
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on
The Continued Arab Action to Stop the
Israeli Aggression against the Palestinian
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- The Council of the League of Arab States convened an Extraordinary Session at the level of Permanent Representatives at the headquarters of the Secretariat General on February 15, 2024, chaired by the Kingdom of Morocco, at the request of the State of Palestine and supported by Member States, to discuss the Arab and international actions to stop the crime of genocide committed by Israel, the occupying Power, against the Palestinian people, including the Israeli plans, intentions and practices that threaten to commit the crime of forced displacement outside the Palestinian territory of more than 1.5 million Palestinian citizens, who were systematically pushed into the Palestinian city of Rafah on the border with the Arab Republic of Egypt, under unprecedented catastrophic conditions imposed by the Israeli aggression,
 - *Having considered* the note of the Secretariat,
 - *Emphasizing* all its previous resolutions regarding the Palestinian cause, *and reaffirming* the centrality of the Palestinian cause for the entire Arab nation, including support for the Palestinian people in their legitimate struggle against the Israeli occupation, and their right to return, self-determination, and achievement of the independence of the State of Palestine, with Jerusalem as its capital, according to international resolutions,
1. *Condemns* the continuation of the Israeli aggression crimes against the Palestinian people, leaving more than one hundred thousand Palestinian civilians between martyrs and wounded, the continuation of the deadly blockade and the systematic destruction of all forms of life in the Gaza Strip, which highlight Israel's persistence in committing the crime of genocide against the Palestinian people in the Gaza Strip, despite the International Court of Justice Order, dated January 26, 2024, that Israel must, in relation to Palestinians in Gaza, take all measures to prevent the commission of the acts of killing, causing serious bodily or mental harm to, and imposing measures intended to prevent births within members of the group; and that Israel must take all measures to enable the provision of relief assistance to the entire Gaza Strip,
 2. *Warns of* the gravity of the unprecedented catastrophic conditions in the Palestinian city of Rafah and of the threatening signs that Israel, the occupying Power, plans to implement its intentions to commit the crime of forced displacement outside the Palestinian territory of approximately one and a half million Palestinian citizens, who were systematically pushed by the Israeli aggression to the southernmost part of the Gaza Strip close to the border with the Arab Republic of Egypt;

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3. *Emphasizes that* the commission by Israel, the occupying Power, of the crime of forced displacement of the Palestinian people outside their territory, as part of its attempts to liquidate the Palestinian cause, is an attack on Arab national security and shall shatter chances of peace in the Middle East and lead to the expansion and exacerbation of the conflict in the region;
4. *Condemns* the ongoing Israeli aggression against the Syrian Arab Republic and the Lebanese Republic, including the killing of civilians and the destruction of homes and infrastructure, as a violation of the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the two States and the rules of international law;
5. *Calls on* the Security Council to adopt a binding resolution to stop the Israeli aggression and forced displacement against the Palestinian people, ensure the flow of relief assistance to the entire Gaza Strip, enforce the provisional measures stipulated in the International Court of Justice Order of January 26, 2024, and to restore normal life in the Gaza Strip;
6. *Calls for* the full implementation of all Security Council Resolutions related to the question of Palestine, including Resolutions 2712 of 2023 and 2720 of 2023;
7. *Commends* the efforts of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria, as the Arab non-permanent member of the Security Council, regarding the question of Palestine, including its request to hold emergency public sessions of the Security Council to stop the Israeli aggression against the Palestinian people, including forced displacement;
8. *Supports* all steps undertaken by the Arab Republic of Egypt to confront the consequences of the brutal Israeli aggression on the Gaza Strip; *commends* its efforts to provide aid into the Strip in an immediate, sustainable and adequate manner; *and supports* steps undertaken by Egypt to protect its national security, which is an essential part of Arab national security;
9. *Affirms that* peace and security in the region can only be achieved by ending the Israeli colonial occupation of the State of Palestine, with Jerusalem as its capital, and the rest of the occupied Arab territories; *calls on* the international community to undertake irreversible steps to achieve the independence of the State of Palestine, implement the political solution based on international resolutions and the Arab Peace Initiative, and enable the Palestinian people to realize their inalienable rights, primarily their right to self-determination, independence and the return of refugees; *calls upon* the Security Council to adopt a resolution that would grant the State of Palestine full membership in the United Nations and convene an international peace conference to adopt effective steps to achieve a comprehensive peace with international guarantees and a timetable for implementation; *and calls on* States that have not yet recognized the State of Palestine to do so;
10. *Appreciates* the growing momentum to recognize the State of Palestine; *and urges* all States to take serious steps in this regard as soon as possible;
11. *Urges* all Arab ministries and institutions concerned with children and motherhood to accelerate coordination with their counterparts in States and international organizations to consider all available mechanisms to provide medical and humanitarian assistance to thousands of Palestinian children, particularly those

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who lost their limbs, as well as ways to provide care for thousands of orphans who lost their parents in the massacres of the Israeli aggression, which has resulted in the martyrdom of more than 12,000 Palestinian children until February 2024; *and urges all concerned parties to* conduct international investigations and criminal prosecutions of these child massacres;

12. *Calls on* Member States and all institutions, civil society organizations and professional associations to place on Arab national terrorism lists the list attached with the report of meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee of Permanent Representatives on January 30, 2024, of extremist Israeli organizations and groups that storm the blessed Al-Aqsa Mosque and which are associated with the Israeli colonial settlement project, and to publicize the aforementioned report's list of shame of Israeli personalities who engage in public incitement to commit genocide against the Palestinian people, that is in preparation for taking legal action against them; *and calls on* Member States to boycott all companies and business organizations listed on the database, approved by the Human Rights Council, of companies and business organizations involved in activities in settlements located throughout the Occupied Palestinian Territory;
13. *Rejects* the systematic Israeli incitement campaigns against the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNRWA) aimed at undermining its mandate; *calls on* all States that have decided to suspend their funding to the Agency to reconsider their decision, on the basis that funding the Agency is an international responsibility; *and warns that* stopping UNRWA's operations will deprive millions of Palestinians in the areas where it operates, including more than two million Palestinians in the Gaza Strip, of vital services necessary for the continuation of life;
14. *Requests* the Councils of Arab Ambassadors and the missions of the League of Arab States in States and regional and international organizations to take urgent action with visits, contacts and messages to circulate and implement this resolution;
15. *Requests* the Secretary-General of the League of Arab States to follow up on the implementation of this Resolution and submit a report thereon to the next session of the Council of the League;
16. *Decides to* keep the Council in a permanent session to follow up on developments related to the contents of this Resolution.

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