

Unofficial Translation

Resolution 8522
Of the Extraordinary Session of
The Council of the League of Arab States
At the Ministerial Level
30 April 2020

**Israel's illegal plans to annex parts of the
Palestinian Territory occupied since 1967**

The Council of the League of Arab States convened an Extraordinary Session at the Ministerial Level on 30 April 2020, chaired by the Sultanate of Oman, upon the request of the State of Palestine and with the support of the Member States. The session was convened via video conference, in accordance with the safety and prevention procedures amid the global pandemic of the novel Coronavirus,

- *Having reviewed* the Note of the Secretariat General, and heard the Statement by HE Dr. Riad al-Maliki, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Expatriates of the State of Palestine, and the interventions of HE the Secretary-General, Honorable Ministers and Heads of Delegations;
- *Having discussed* the illegal, aggressive plans of the Israeli occupation government to annex parts of the Palestinian territories occupied in 1967, in flagrantly violating international law and the resolutions of international legitimacy, exploiting the world's preoccupation with confronting the Coronavirus pandemic, and disregarding the humanitarian and global calls for halting aggression, ending war and lifting the blockade in these critical humanitarian conditions that threaten all mankind;
- *Reaffirming* the centrality of the question of Palestine to the entire Arab nation and the significance of the Arab identity of the occupied East Jerusalem, capital of the State of Palestine,
- *Emphasizing* all of its relevant resolutions regarding the question of Palestine and the Arab-Israeli conflict, particularly the resolutions of the last two Summits, the Jerusalem Summit (2018), which was convened in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and the Tunis Summit (2019), and the resolutions adopted by the Arab League Council of Ministers at its last 153rd Ordinary Session and its Extraordinary Session on Rejecting the 'Deal of the Century' Plan;

The Council

- 1- *Affirms that* the implementation by the Israeli occupation government of its plans to annex any part of the Palestinian territory occupied since 1967, including the Jordan Valley, the northern Dead Sea and the lands on which the Israeli settlements have been established and their environs, constitutes yet another war crime added to the long record of Israeli atrocities perpetrated against the Palestinian people and its blatant violations of the Charter, United Nations resolutions, and international law;
- 2- *Calls upon* the American administration to abide by the Charter of the United Nations and the resolutions relevant to the conflict in the Middle East, as well as the principles and provisions of international law, and to refrain from supporting the schemes and plans of the Israeli occupation government that are being drawn up under the cover of the so-called American-Israeli 'Deal of the

- Century' and aimed at seizing and annexing occupied Palestinian territory by force, threatening to destroy the principles and prospects for achieving the goal of peace in the region; and holds the Israeli occupation government and American administration responsible for the repercussions of the implementation of such plans on international stability, security and peace;
- 3- *Emphasizes that* the Arab States shall support, by all political, diplomatic, legal and financial means, any decisions or steps undertaken by the State of Palestine to confront the Israeli plans to commit the crimes of annexation and colonial settlement expansion;
 - 4- *Emphasizes that* a just and comprehensive peace based on international law, the resolutions of international legitimacy, the Arab Peace Initiative, and that realizes a two-State solution that ensures the independence and sovereignty of the State of Palestine on the 14 June 1967 lines, with East Jerusalem as its capital, living in security and peace, is a strategic Arab choice and a necessity for regional and international peace and security; *and stresses* the need to launch serious and effective negotiations, within a specified time frame and with international sponsorship, in conformity with the resolutions of international legitimacy, the internationally-endorsed terms of reference and signed agreements, to resolve the conflict and achieve a peace that will be embraced by the people;
 - 5- *Calls upon* the International Quartet to convene an urgent meeting to salvage the prospects for peace and the two-State solution, and to affirm an international position consistent with international resolutions and the terms of reference and parameters of the peace process, including the Roadmap and the Arab Peace Initiative, to compel the Israeli occupation government to halt the implementation of its colonial plans, including annexation and settlement expansion, and to end the Israeli occupation that began in 1967;
 - 6- *Calls upon* the international community and the United Nations, including the Security Council, to uphold the responsibility for maintaining international peace and security, to ensure the enforcement of international law and resolutions of international legitimacy in the occupied Palestinian territory, and to prevent the Israeli occupation government from implementing the aforementioned plans;
 - 7- *Urges* the European Union States to apply pressure on the occupation government to abandon the aforementioned plans, and to urgently recognize the State of Palestine on the 1967 borders to salvage the hopes for achieving peace and a two-State solution;
 - 8- *Strongly condemns* the Israeli policies and practices against the Palestinian people and its holy places, including those committed in occupied East Jerusalem and the recent Israeli aggression aimed at controlling Islamic Waqf lands around Al-Ibrahimi Mosque in the occupied city of Al-Khalil (Hebron); as well as the blockade of the Gaza Strip;
 - 9- *Calls on* the international community, the World Health Organization, and the International Committee of the Red Cross to apply pressure on the Israeli occupation authorities to release the Palestinian prisoners held in Israeli jails, particularly the sick, the elderly, women and children, to protect them from the spread of the Coronavirus; and to hold the Israeli occupation authorities fully responsible for any health repercussions on the Palestinian prisoners in Israeli jails;

- 10- *Calls upon* the Member States to continue funding transfers from Member States' contributions to support the budget of the State of Palestine and the Arab Financial Safety Net, in accordance with the resolutions of successive Arab Summits, mostly recently the Tunis Summit Resolution 749 of 31 March 2019, as a form of Arab support for the resilience of the Palestinian people in countering the Israeli occupation's illegal plans and practices and the Coronavirus pandemic in the territory of the State of Palestine ;
- 11- *Requests* the Arab Group in New York to undertake the necessary consultations and measures to confront the Israeli plans of annexation and colonial expansion; *and mandates* the Arab League's Missions and Councils of Arab Ambassadors to submit the present Resolution to the capitals, governments and international and regional organizations around the world, urging them to undertake practical measures to deter the occupation government from implementing the plans referred to in this Resolution;
- 12- *Decides to* keep the Council in permanent session to follow-up on the developments related to the aforementioned illegal, aggressive Israeli plans; *and requests* the Secretary-General to take the necessary measures to follow-up on the implementation of this Resolution and to accordingly submit a report to the next Session of the Council.