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To the United Nations
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Peace be upon you and God's Grace!

On behalf of the International Assembly of Islamic Business and on my own behalf I appeal to you to condemn and stop the bloodshed in the lands of Palestine.

The Palestinian people have inalienable rights to self-determination and a just resolution of the conflict. The international community represented by various UN bodies and agencies holds this position. Nevertheless, year after year it has to be stated that, unfortunately, the situation in the occupied Palestinian territories is getting worse.

If other countries turn a blind eye to this, we will not do it! The world community should pay attention and take urgent measures to suppress the aggression of the occupying forces of Israel against the civilian population of Palestine. Israeli provocations against the Palestinian people are cruel, sometimes inhuman. Palestinians live without water, food, gas, electricity, qualified medical care and now without the possibility of importing humanitarian aid from other states.

I consider Israel's actions criminal and unacceptable which should not go unpunished, not subject to any leniency because **they destroy the very foundation of peace and security**, friendly relations between peoples and countries, **grossly violate the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations** and all international laws and norms.

This is the real reason for what is happening. It is simple and visible in this photo. There is much to write and say, but these maps speak for themselves:





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Israel that does not comply with the UN Security Council resolution still continues to expand Jewish settlements in the occupied territories. Construction of the separation wall, bypass roads, land confiscation, house demolitions, seizure of Palestinian-owned structures, destruction of agricultural, water and sanitation facilities, evictions and threats of forced displacement of Palestinian families, human rights violations and settler violence, including intimidation, injury and the killing of Palestinians, have a negative impact on the situation of the population of the occupied territories.

The annexation of occupied territory is a major violation of the UN Charter which gives a clear understanding of the Geneva Conventions and is a contradiction to the fundamental rule of the inadmissibility of acquiring territory through military means.

It is vital to reject all forms of hatred and extremism, avoid connecting politics with religion, spread the values of dialogue and tolerance, as well as prevent cases of insult to any religious faiths and their shrines. A number of Arab countries have already strongly condemned the actions of Israel and call on all countries of the world and the UN to put an end to the 75-year-old confrontation in the Palestinian lands, otherwise this could entail serious consequences for the entire world community.

It is necessary to implement the decisions of the UN Security Council on the creation of an independent sovereign Palestinian state with its capital in the city of Jerusalem which will help resolve the long-term confrontation between the two peoples and put an end to their conflict.

Addressing the Israeli authorities, we call for a ceasefire and stop of killing of civilians, destruction of religious temples and shrines, and **to begin a dialogue in the name of peace and stability between representatives of Israel and Palestine!**

**Best regards,
The President of
the International Assembly of
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