

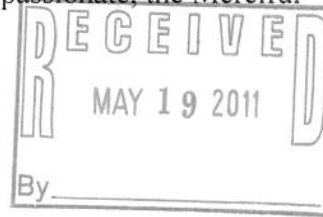


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In the name of God, the Compassionate, the Merciful

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Excellency,

As you are well aware, on 15 May 2011, the Israeli regime committed yet another criminal act by massacring scores of innocent Palestinian, Syrians and Lebanese who were expressing their outrage against the occupying regime on the occasion of Nakba Day.

This mass killing happened as the people in the occupied lands were marking Nakba Day through peaceful protests at Syrian Golan Height, Lebanon, Ramallah and Gaza Borders. They came to demonstrate their opposition to the enduring unlawful occupation of their land by Israeli regime. The Israeli forces reacted very harshly by opening fire on people who came demand their fundamental rights to live in their own land in peace and free from occupation.

The violent attack against peaceful demonstrators is surly an appalling act of violation of human rights-first and foremost the right to life as the most basic human right. This criminal act adds yet another crime to long list of atrocities this regime has committed in pursuance of its policies and acts of aggression, occupation, assassinations, state terrorism, torture, kidnapping and practically all kinds of criminal and abhorrent atrocities committed in violating the most basic principles of human rights, international humanitarian law and the fundamental principles of the United Nations Charter.

The international community has, on many instances, stood firm and clear in the face of these criminal practices of the Israeli regime. However, serious and concrete measures are needed to counter the atrocious behavior of this occupying regime. The United Nations should react and heed to this call and take resolute actions in response to the violations of the most basic human rights and international humanitarian law committed systematically by the Israeli regime.



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I am sending identical letter to Secretary General and the President of the Security Council. It would be appreciated if this letter could be circulated as a document of the General Assembly under the agenda items 37, 52, 67 and 68 and of the Security Council.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurance of my highest consideration.

Mohammad Khazae
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

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