

21 November 2024

**Excellency, President of the General Assembly,**

We write to you today in our respective capacities as the Chairs of the Arab Group, the Organization of the Islamic Cooperation (OIC) Group, and the Coordinating Bureau of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) at the United Nations in New York to respectfully request the swift resumption of the tenth emergency special session (10<sup>th</sup> ESS) of the General Assembly.

This urgent request is being made in light of the veto cast by a Permanent Member of the Security Council, on 20 November 2024, obstructing the adoption of a draft resolution demanding, *inter alia*, an immediate, permanent and unconditional ceasefire in the Gaza Strip and in light of the dangerous exacerbation of the already-catastrophic humanitarian crisis in the Gaza Strip and the dire situation being faced by the Palestinian people in the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, as well as the unprecedented crisis being faced by UNRWA, due to ongoing military aggression and illegal policies and practices by Israel, the occupying Power.

The General Assembly, in accordance with its Charter duties, all relevant resolutions and the permanent responsibility of the United Nations towards the Question of Palestine until it is justly resolved in all of its aspects in accordance with international law, must act urgently to address this grave situation. We therefore make this appeal for the resumption of the tenth emergency special session, in accordance with resolution 377 (V) (1950), "Uniting for Peace", as rapidly as possible.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of our highest consideration.

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**H.E. Mr. Philémon Yang**  
**The President of the United Nations General Assembly**  
**The United Nations, New York**

