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### **MESSAGE OF SOLIDARITY**

**To:**

- **H.E. Mr. Antonio Guterres, Secretary-General of the United Nations,**
- **H.E. Mr. Fodé Seck, Chairman of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People,**
- **H.E. Mr. Mahmoud Abbas, President of the State of Palestine,**

On the occasion of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian people (29 November), on behalf of the State and the people of Viet Nam, I would like to extend to Your Excellencies, and through Your Excellencies to the Palestinian people, greetings of solidarity and warmest congratulations.

Viet Nam highly values the constructive contribution of Palestine to the work of the United Nations since being accorded the Non-member Observer State status in the United Nations in 2012 and wishes that Palestine would soon become a full member of this important organization.

Viet Nam has always been supporting the solidarity among Palestinian forces striving for the common cause of national unity of the Palestinian people. In that spirit, Viet Nam welcomes the recent positive developments in the Palestinian internal reconciliation process. Viet Nam is of the view that the Arab-Israeli conflict, of which the question of Palestine is the core, can only be solved through peaceful negotiations aimed at a comprehensive and just solution on the basis of respect for the international law and the legitimate rights of all concerned parties, especially the fundamental rights of the Palestinian people, including their right to establish a State of Palestine in their homeland. In that spirit, Viet Nam supports all efforts of the international community in bringing the Middle East peace process forward and urges the concerned parties to comply with relevant United Nations resolutions and to work together to realize the achieved agreements, thus contributing to peace and stability in the region.

On this occasion, the State and the people of Viet Nam reaffirm their consistent support for the just cause of the struggle of the Palestinian people for their fundamental rights. We firmly believe that, with the efforts of the Palestinian people and strong support of the international community, the struggle of the Palestinian people will gain complete victory.

Please accept, Excellencies, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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**President of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam**