UN Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

## "In conversation with H.E. Mr. Mohammed Shtayyeh, Prime Minister of the State of Palestine" Monday, 18 May 2020, 2.30 p.m.

The <u>UN Palestinian Rights Committee</u> will hold a virtual interactive conversation with the Prime Minister of the State of the Palestine Mr. Mohammed Shtayyeh on **18 May 2020 from 2.30 p.m.** to **3.45 p.m.** (New York Time) which will be livestreamed on UN Web TV, the UN YouTube channel, Facebook and Twitter. Viewers can pose questions to Mr. Shtayyeh ahead of time via the email dpr-meeting@un.org.

The Committee is deeply concerned about Israel's announced plans to annex large areas of the West Bank, as early as in July 2020. Speaking from Ramallah, the Prime Minister will update on the latest developments and outline the steps the Palestinian Government intends to take to counter annexation and salvage the two-State solution. He will give an update on the impact of COVID-19 on the Palestinian population; and on the kinds of international support Palestinians need to overcome the crisis. The event will also address options for Member States to counter the threat of annexation.

Mr. Shtayyeh has been appointed as Prime Minister in April 2019 and is a member of the Central Committee of Fatah. He held many leadership positions in Palestine, including as Dean of Birzeit University, and President of Palestinian Economic Council for Development and Reconstruction (PECDAR). Mr. Shtayyeh was appointed twice as Minister of Public Works and Housing, in 2005 and 2008. He was a member of the Palestinian delegation to the Madrid peace negotiations and the Washington peace talks.

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