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**Message of the Minister of Foreign Affairs, International Trade and Worship of the Argentine Republic**

On the occasion of the commemoration of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, I have the pleasure to convey my greetings and on behalf of the Argentine People, reassuring the commitment of the Argentine Republic to continue supporting the Palestinian People in its search for achieving peace, welfare and self-determination.

On 6 December 2010, almost exactly a decade ago, Argentina recognized the State of Palestine through the Decree 1882/2010. Two years afterwards, Argentina co-sponsored resolution 67/19 of the UN General Assembly which granted Palestine the status of Observer Non-Member of the Organization.

In the framework of this national policy and with a view to deepening the official relations and the links between our societies, in 2008, our country established a Representation in Ramallah. Since then, in accordance with our original goal, the representation has undertaken numerous cooperation projects for the direct benefit of the people, primarily but not exclusively, in the field of agricultural and livestock. Moreover, it has promoted cultural exchange and provided humanitarian assistance in times of need for the Palestinian People.

Argentine Foreign Policy is guided by the principles of the UN Charter, the protection of human rights and the promotion of International Humanitarian Law, with the view to consolidating just international rules-based order.

For that reason, we support all actions for achieving a peace, just, definitive and global settlement of the Middle East conflict, toward a solution of two democratic States living side by side in peace and within secured and recognized borders.

To conclude, I would like to reiterate the firm recognition of Argentina to the legitimate right of the Palestinian People to become an independent, democratic and peaceful State, recognized by all nations, within pre-1967 borders.

To conclude this message of solidarity, I would like to reiterate the firm Argentine recognition of the legitimate right of the Palestine People to become an independent, democratic and viable State, in peace and recognized by all nations, within the 1967 borders.

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