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The Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of Thailand to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, and with reference to the latter's note no. CPR/SD/20(2) dated 9 October 2020, has the honour to transmit herewith a copy of a message of solidarity from H.E. General Prayut Chan-o-cha (Ret.), Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Thailand, in connection with the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People 2020. The electronic version of the message has already been forwarded to Mr. Fabrizio Trezza, the focal point on this matter at trezza@un.org. The original signed version will be submitted to the Committee at the earliest opportunity.

The Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of Thailand to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People the assurances of its high consideration.

Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of Thailand
to the United Nations, New York
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Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People,
United Nations,
NEW YORK.

(Attn: Mr. Fabrizio Trezza; email trezza@un.org)



**Message
from
His Excellency General Prayut Chan-o-cha (Ret.)
Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Thailand**

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On the occasion of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People for 2020, the Royal Thai Government joins the international community in reaffirming continued support for the Palestinian people in their pursuit of freedom and basic rights, particularly their inalienable rights to self-determination and sustainable development.

As a long-standing supporter of the Palestinian people, Thailand is firmly committed to enhancing bilateral relations and cooperation with the State of Palestine, and is determined to work with the international community to promote a viable and secure State of Palestine. In recent years, the Royal Thai Government has focused cooperation with the State of Palestine in the area of capacity building and technical cooperation, particularly through the Thailand International Cooperation Agency (TICA). The Third Ministerial Meeting of the Cooperation among East Asian Countries for Palestinian Development (CEAPAD), co-hosted by Thailand and Japan in Bangkok in 2018, and Thailand's active participation in this framework underline Thailand's enduring commitment to supporting the State of Palestine in its efforts to achieve sustainable socio-economic development.

This year, the COVID-19 pandemic has adversely affected the socio-economic well-being of all global citizens, thus demanding all countries to enhance international cooperation, especially on humanitarian affairs. In this regard, the Royal Thai Government has prioritised a special contribution to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA)'s COVID-19 Flash Appeal, in addition to our yearly contribution to this Agency, with a view to supporting the humanitarian needs of Palestinian refugees.

The Middle East peace process remains a top priority to the region and the wider world. To this end, Thailand urges the international community and all parties concerned to ensure an enabling and conducive environment for constructive engagement in order to bring about a lasting and peaceful solution to the issue of Palestine.

Finally, on behalf of the Royal Thai Government and people of the Kingdom of Thailand, I would like to extend my best wishes to the Government of the State of Palestine and the Palestinian people for their future prosperity and lasting peace.

General  (Ret.)

(Prayut Chan-o-cha)

Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Thailand