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**MESSAGE FROM  
PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA  
H.E. JOKO WIDODO  
ON THE OCCASION OF  
THE OBSERVANCE OF THE INTERNATIONAL DAY  
OF SOLIDARITY WITH THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE  
NEW YORK, 29 NOVEMBER 2021**

**This year, as we commemorate the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, we are reminded once again, of the grim reality still faced by the Palestinian people up to this day.**

**As the threat from the COVID-19 pandemic remains looming large, the Palestinian people also have to face the ongoing oppression and aggression by Israel. Settlement activities, confiscation, and demolition of properties, as well as the threat of expulsion are the daily reality of the Palestinian people. It is indisputable that they are also the source of continued violence, and will make the prospects for peace in the Middle East remains elusive.**

**In May 2021, the world witness how the policies of the Israel government had led to yet again escalation of violence in the occupied territories. While we welcome the recent engagement by senior officials of Palestine and Israel, we are yet to see the impacts of this confidence building measure to the revival of peace talk.**

**Against this backdrop, the commemoration of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People has always been an important symbolic act of solidarity for the Palestinian people striving to attain their legitimate rights. It serves as a reminder that more needs to be done, with stronger international support to promote and realize the hopes and dreams of the Palestinian people.**

**In this regard, I would like to reiterate the unwavering support of the Government and the people of the Republic of Indonesia to the people of Palestine. For Indonesia, the realization of a sovereign and independent State of Palestine has been a mandate of our constitution.**

**Our strong commitment to the Palestinian cause in various international forums is evident, including in the Security Council and The Human Rights Council. As a long-standing partner for the Palestinian people, we are always ready to continue to extend various technical cooperation, capacity building support, as well as humanitarian assistance.**

**These efforts shall continue until the Palestinian people enjoy a just and lasting peace, free from occupation and oppression.**

**To this end, I would like to reiterate the importance of continued support by the international community for the attainment of a two-state solution, in accordance with the internationally agreed parameters.**

**PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA,**

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**JOKO WIDODO**