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Letter dated 18 April 2022 from the Permanent Representative of Algeria to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Upon instructions of my Government, I have the honour to transmit herewith a letter dated 18 April 2022 from the President of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria, Abdelmadjid Tebboune, addressed to the Secretary-General (see annex).

It would be highly appreciated if the present letter and its annex could be circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 39, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Nadir Larbaoui Permanent Representative of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria to the United Nations



Annex to the letter dated 18 April 2022 from the Permanent Representative of Algeria addressed to the Secretary-General

[Original: Arabic]

Letter from the President of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria addressed to the Secretary-General

Attacks being perpetrated by the Israeli occupying forces against the sanctity of the Al-Aqsa Mosque and violence against unarmed crowds of worshippers call to mind yet again systematic violations of human rights and fundamental freedoms.

These dangerous developments, which come in an already tense international context, only serve to exacerbate instability in the Middle East region and further disrupt efforts to reach a just and lasting solution to the Palestinian issue. Unquestionably, these practices, which recur each year on successive occasions during the holy month of Ramadan, bear witness to the repression imposed by the occupation on Palestinian civilians, who deserve respect for their resistance and sacrifice.

At the same time, these tragic circumstances, for which there is no justification, underline the inevitability of a peaceful and just solution, which the international community has consistently affirmed through its support for the need to realize the inalienable national rights of the Palestinian people, first and foremost their right to establish an independent national State with Jerusalem as its capital.

If this situation deteriorates, the international community will bear full responsibility. It is obligated, through the United Nations and the Security Council, to act urgently to ensure necessary protection for Palestinian civilians and their holy places under international law.

That entails warning the occupation of consequences should it take any action that might inflame tensions and perpetuate the cycle of violence.

The credibility of the United Nations has often been challenged by repeated acts of violence and the insistence on imposing facts on the ground, which increases legitimate fears on the part of peoples who believe in an international community based on justice and coexistence. In the face of these abuses suffered by the Palestinian people, the United Nations must respond forcefully to the demand for the right to life and the realization of justice being expressed in peaceful demonstrations. I would appreciate it if you would pay special attention to these developments and urge the Security Council to address this disturbing situation with a view to taking the action it demands.

(Signed) Abdelmadjid **Tebboune**

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