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STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF THE REPUBLIC OF UGANDA, ON BEHALF OF THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT (NAM) AT THE UNITED NATIONS HIGH-LEVEL CONFERENCE ON THE TWO-STATE SOLUTION

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Co-Chairs,

Excellencies,

1. I am honored to deliver this statement on behalf of the 121 Member States of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) at this important high-level conference on Palestine and the Two-State solution.
2. The NAM welcomes the convening of the High-Level International Conference on the implementation of the resolutions pertaining to the Question of Palestine and the Two-State Solution, in line with UNGA resolution ES-10/24 and all relevant resolutions. We welcome the strong and principled positions affirmed in the round tables preceding this plenary debate.
3. NAM commends the efforts undertaken within the framework of the Global Alliance for the Implementation of the Two-State Solution under the chairmanship of Saudi Arabia, EU and Norway and urges concrete follow up of these important initiatives.
4. NAM reaffirms its longstanding, common and principled position on the question of Palestine and is deeply concerned about the implications of the conflict in Gaza to the region and the continuation of this illegal occupation.
5. There has been no reprieve to the grave situation in Gaza and the conflict has intensified worsening the catastrophic humanitarian situation not only in Gaza but also in the rest of the Occupied



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Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem. The Members of the United Nations conferred on the Security Council the primary responsibility for the maintenance of international peace and security in accordance with Articles 12 and 24 of the Charter. The Security Council must uphold its mandate to maintain international peace and security and must act in consonance without making the Question of Palestine an exemption to international law and to the authority of the Security Council. Therefore, NAM calls on the Security Council to justly resolve the Palestinian question and bring an end to this protracted conflict and tragic injustice. The just and peaceful solution to the question of Palestine is central for establishing durable peace and stability in the Middle East and is a matter of grave concern for the maintenance of international peace and security.

6. The Non-Aligned Movement reiterates its demand for an immediate and permanent ceasefire in Gaza and expresses support for all the on-going diplomatic efforts especially by Egypt and Qatar to reach an agreement for an immediate and permanent ceasefire. NAM condemns negative efforts by Israel that undermine peace and security in the middle east and accordingly, calls for the cessation of military campaign in Gaza, the release and exchange of hostages and, Palestinians detained in Israeli prisons, the return of Palestinian civilians to their homes and neighborhoods in all areas of Gaza, and the safe and effective distribution of sufficient humanitarian assistance throughout the Gaza Strip to all Palestinian civilians who need it, including medical needs. NAM rejects any attempts to use humanitarian assistance particularly food as a weapon of war fare. In this context, the Non-Aligned Movement express its support to the Arab-Islamic Plan for Early Recovery, Reconstruction and Development of Gaza, which was presented by the Arab Republic of Egypt in full coordination with the State of Palestine and endorsed by both the Arab League and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation.



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7. NAM Members States express concern at reports of forced displacement of the civilian population in Gaza as it represents a clear disregard for the Palestinian people's inalienable right to their homeland and self-determination. Any attempts by the occupying power to alter the legal, physical, and demographic status of Palestinian territories as illegal and inconsistent with international law.
8. NAM recalls Security Council resolution 2334 (2016) which provides for a viable path to peace, setting forth the essential requirements and parameters for the realization of a just outcome on the basis of the two-State solution based on the June 4, 1967 lines and ensuring the fulfillment by the Palestinian people of their inalienable rights, including to self-determination, and the independence of the State of Palestine, with East Jerusalem as its capital, and a just solution for the plight of the Palestine refugees in accordance with General Assembly resolution A/RES/194(III).
9. NAM strongly calls for full respect for and the implementation of the provisions of resolution 2334(2016) and all other relevant resolutions regarding the complete cessation of all Israeli settlement activities and the status of the occupied East Jerusalem. In this regard, NAM calls for the respect of the historic status quo of the holy sites in Jerusalem NAM expresses grave concern about the deteriorating situation on the ground, which has been marked by an escalation of Israeli settlement activities, in grave breach of International Law, and rising violence, provocation and incitement, particularly settler violence and terror, that has led to the tragic loss of life of civilians, including children, the detention of thousands of Palestinian civilians, and countless other human rights abuses and violations of international law.
10. NAM calls for the admission of the State of Palestine as a full Member State of the United Nations, with all rights and privileges. The Security Council must act in this regard. We call on all countries that have not



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recognized the State of Palestine to do so forthwith, as an expression of their sincere commitment to peace and their respect for international law and legality in accordance with the relevant United Nations resolutions.

11. NAM Member States once again reiterate their call for the continued provision of the needed humanitarian and socio-economic assistance to the Palestinian people, including the Palestine refugees. The Movement reaffirms the continued indispensability of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA), along with other United Nations agencies and international organizations, in alleviating their plight, and urges the international community to support the Agency with sufficient and predictable funding without blocking its humanitarian work. NAM rejects any attempts by Israeli to sideline UNRWA as this poses a threat to its humanitarian role in accordance with its General Assembly Mandate.
12. To conclude, NAM rejects all attempts to deny the Palestinian people's right to self-determination, to obstruct the recognition of Palestine as an independent sovereign state, and to hinder its attainment of full membership in the United Nations. NAM member States call for urgent protection and preservation of the Palestinian territories and civilian population and reiterate the longstanding call for the complete cessation of all Israeli settlement activities in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and the halt to all attempts to forcibly displace Palestinian civilians, seize or annex Palestinian territory, including the Gaza Strip. The Movement reiterates its call for collective international efforts to uphold international law to bring an end to the historic and grave injustice against the Palestinian people. NAM Member States reaffirm their commitment to promoting a just, lasting, comprehensive and peaceful solution to the question of Palestine in all its aspects, including for the plight of the Palestine refugees, and reaffirm their support for the Palestinian people in their struggle to achieve justice and fulfill their inalienable rights and legitimate national aspirations, including to self-determination, freedom and independence in their



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sovereign and independent State of Palestine, with East Jerusalem as its capital.

I thank you.