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Apeldoorn, 8 October 2024

To: Secretary General of the United Nations, Honorable Mr. António Guterres President of International Criminal Court, Honorable Judge Mrs. Tomoka Akane Prosecutor of International Criminal Court, Honorable Mr. Karim A.A. Khan KC

Subject: Gaza - Israel - Hamas

Dear Mr. Guterres, Mrs. Akane, Mr. Khan

Hamas' terrifying, deadly violent attack on Israel, the killing of approximately 1,200 Israeli civilians and military, youth, elderly and children, and the kidnapping of 250 Israeli hostages in Gaza on October 7, 2023, deeply shocked the world. These acts of terror must be punished. Since then, more than 350 Israeli military have been killed in the ground offensive in Gaza.

On October 13, 2023, the Israeli government calls on residents of the north of the Gaza Strip to leave for the south. The civilians in Gaza have nowhere to go. Israel knows it. By the end of October 2023, almost eight thousand Palestinian people had been killed in Israeli bombing of Gaza.

More than 41,000 Palestinians have been killed -including 11,000 children- and 95,551 injured by the bombings so far. More than 70,000 buildings and homes have been destroyed. More than 1.9 million Palestinians have been displaced. (Source: UN OCHA, 29-09-2024).

We hereby inform you of our deep concern about the lawlessness and hopelessness of the imprisoned Palestinian people for so many years and since October 2023 under the daily threat and execution of deadly, destructive heavy bombings. Hunted among their destroyed death houses, a ban on their future. Day and night suffering from horrible violence, food and water shortages and a severe lack of medical

Because of the courageous actions of our allies during the Second World War, of our liberators, we now are able to commemorate 80 years of liberation and celebrate 80 years of freedom. We honor and thank our liberators.

Desperately driven together in Gaza, the Palestinian people remember being expelled and displaced for 76 years. Trapped now between bombed, shot-down death houses. Alone, no liberators, no freedom. Due to the emotionally living legacy of two world wars and an international clew of geopolitical interests the Palestinian people were and are forcibly deprived of their right to land, life and future.

We now ask the International Criminal Court in The Hague to take strong action based on previous rulings regarding Gaza, Israel and Hamas.

We now ask the United Nations to take strong action based on all resolutions regarding Gaza, Israel and Hamas.

We ask for Human Rights (1948!) to be enforced under international UN supervision. We call for international reaffirmation and recognition of UNRWA as a major provider of services and reconstruction.

We call for the intensification of continued action by the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) in the occupied Palestinian territory (oPt).

We ask for your exclusive efforts for a future perspective with equal rights for Palestinians and Israelis, for Arab, Muslim, Christian and Jewish people. The Western two-state solution has led to bizarre inequality for the native population since the promise in 1922 of the creation of a Jewish homeland.

Peace, freedom and equality require a new perspective for all residents of the region. To this end, let us place the chairs around the peace table and loudly call for meeting. There is no other solution for their life together.

Thank you for your attention, awaiting your valued response,

Yours faithfully,

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