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## **Letter dated 15 May 2018 from the Permanent Representative of the United Arab Emirates and the Permanent Observer of the State of Palestine to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva addressed to the President of the Human Rights Council**

We are writing to you, on behalf of the Group of Arab States and the State of Palestine, to kindly request the holding, on 18 May 2018, of a special session of the Human Rights Council to address the deteriorating human rights situation in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem.

The States Members of the Human Rights Council that have signed the request are Angola, Burundi, Cuba, Ecuador, Egypt, Iraq, Kyrgyzstan, Nigeria, Pakistan, Panama, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, South Africa, Tunisia, the United Arab Emirates and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of).

The observer States that have signed the request are Bahrain, Bangladesh, Indonesia, Kuwait, Maldives, Oman, Tajikistan and Turkey.<sup>1</sup>

(*signed*)      **Obaid Salem Saeed Al Zaabi**  
Ambassador Extraordinary  
and Plenipotentiary  
Permanent Representative  
of the United Arab Emirates  
Coordinator of the Group of  
Arab States

(*signed*)      **Ibrahim Khraishi**  
Ambassador Extraordinary  
and Plenipotentiary  
Permanent Observer of the  
State of Palestine

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<sup>1</sup> Malaysia has also signed the request.

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