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LETTER DATED 7 APRIL **1988** FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF **ALGERIA** TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to transmit herewith a letter dated 6 April 1988, addressed to Your Excellency by the Permanent Observer of the Palestine Liberation Organization to the United Nations.

I kindly request you to circulate this letter as a document of the Security Council.

(<u>Sig ned</u>) Hoc ine DJOUDI
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

Annex

I dated 6 April 1988 from the Permanent Observer of the Palestine Liberation Organization to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

I am instructed by Yasser Arafat, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organization to bring the following to your immediate attention. After Friday worship on 1 April 1988, Sheikh Saad Eddin El-Alami, Head Of the Supreme Islamic Council was attacked by Israeli soldiers as he made his way out of the Mosque. Sheikh El-Alami was beaten on his back with an "instrument", as well as puehed and knocked about by Israeli soldiers. Palestinian worshipers rescued Sheikh El-Alami and took him home where a physician was called to examine his injuries. It was decided that he should be transferred to the Al Maqaeed hoepital for a thorough medical examination, whereupon he was admitted for treatment of the injuries sustained. Sheikh El-Alami remains hospitalized today.

The Palestine Liberation Organization considers this deliberate attack on a religious leader a **serious** provocation **as** well as an additional eymptom **of** the **ongoing** Israeli brutalization **of** the **Palestinian** people under occupation, which **has** now been extended to physical attacks on members **of** the **clergy**.

(<u>Signed</u>) Zuhdi Labib TERZI Permanent Observer

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