

**Security Council**

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Letter dated 22 October 2001 from the Permanent Representatives of Mali and Qatar to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

We have the honour to inform you that an urgent meeting of the Islamic Group was held today at the ambassadorial level to consider the grave and deteriorating situation in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including Jerusalem, as a result of Israel's escalation of military action against the Palestinian people and its reoccupation of Palestinian cities and towns.

On behalf of the Member States of the Islamic Group, we have the honour to request the convening of an immediate meeting of the Security Council in order to take the necessary action to ensure the full and immediate withdrawal of Israeli occupation forces from Palestinian areas it has reoccupied recently.

(Signed) Moctar **Ouane**
Ambassador

Permanent Representative of the Republic of Mali
Chairman of the Islamic Group

(Signed) Nassir Abdulaziz **Al-Nasser**
Ambassador

Permanent Representative of the State of Qatar,
representing the Chairman of the Ninth Islamic Summit Conference

