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Identical letters dated 7 October 2013 from the Permanent Representative of Israel to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

I am writing to condemn the selection of the Islamic Republic of Iran as rapporteur of the Committee on Disarmament and International Security.

It is inconceivable that a State under Security Council sanctions for suspected weapons of mass destruction proliferation activities would be allowed to hold this position. Permitting Iran to serve on the United Nations leading disarmament committee is like appointing a drug lord as chief executive officer of a pharmaceutical company.

Iran's appointment erodes the United Nations legitimacy and its ability to promote arms control and disarmament, as well as to preserve global peace and security. Rather than provide a global stage for Iran's defiance and deception, the United Nations should shine a spotlight on the regime's ongoing pursuit of nuclear weapons and its support for terrorism across the globe.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter distributed as a document of the Security Council.

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