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Letter dated 31 May 2022 from the Permanent Representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

I am writing to you in response to a letter dated 25 May 2022 from the representative of the Israeli regime (S/2022/421) wherein, once again, lies and baseless accusations were levelled against my country.

In yet another desperate endeavour, the representative of the Israeli regime has attempted to conceal the regime's destabilizing, malicious and terrorist activities in the region. Such activities include covert operations, subversive and disruptive measures against Iran's peaceful nuclear programme, as well as the cowardly and abhorrent assassination of innocent Iranian citizens and scientists to further its sinister objectives in the region.

We categorically reject all allegations and fabrications against Iran contained in the above-mentioned letter and emphasize that Iran has not engaged in any activity that violates Security Council resolution 2231 (2015) or threatens regional peace and stability.

It is ironic that this terrorist regime, which has a horrible track record of developing, producing and stockpiling various types of weapons of mass destruction, has maliciously accused Iran of violating Security Council resolution 2231 (2015), despite the fact that it has repeatedly committed flagrant and systematic violations of this resolution over the course of several years.

The Israeli regime has used every opportunity to threaten and dismantle the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action, as well as to undermine the implementation of resolution 2231 (2015) by the States Members of the United Nations. As a result, Israel's allegations regarding Iran's nuclear programme, the peaceful nature of which has been verified and confirmed by the International Atomic Energy Agency on numerous occasions, are completely absurd, irrelevant and baseless.

While accusing Iran of meddling in the region, the Israeli regime has also engaged in oppressive, expansionist and criminal activities in the region. It continues to target and kill innocent people in occupied Palestine, including women and children. Most recently, this terrorist regime viciously murdered Shireen Abu Akleh, a veteran Palestinian journalist, in cold blood. It also continues to violate Syria's and Lebanon's sovereignty and territorial integrity, while openly threatening to use force against other regional countries.

The Israeli regime has also attempted to cover up the threats that its nuclear weapons pose to the region and beyond. To eliminate this threat, the international



community must compel this regime to abandon nuclear weapons, join the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons and subject its nuclear activities and facilities to the International Atomic Energy Agency's comprehensive safeguards.

In fulfilling its obligations to maintain international peace and security, the Security Council must similarly compel the Israeli regime to cease all of its destabilizing and adventuristic activities in the region while holding it accountable for the flagrant and systematic violations of numerous Security Council resolutions, including resolutions [1559 \(2004\)](#), [1701 \(2006\)](#), [2231 \(2015\)](#), [2254 \(2015\)](#) and [2334 \(2016\)](#).

As we have stated on numerous occasions, the Islamic Republic of Iran will not hesitate to exercise its inherent right to self-defence and will take all measures necessary to protect its people and national security interests in conformity with international law.

I would also like to take this opportunity to categorically reject all unwarranted and unjustified references to Iran, as well as the unsubstantiated accusations levelled against my country, by the representative of the Israeli regime in documents [S/2022/285](#) and [S/2022/373](#).

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

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