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Mr. Chairman,

Malaysia aligns itself with the statement delivered by Azerbaijan on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM).

2. Malaysia continues to recognise the important role played by the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA). The unwavering commitment and exceptional work carried out by UNRWA has provided assistance and protection to over 5 million Palestinian refugees in the Gaza Strip and the West Bank, as well as in Jordan, Lebanon and Syria.

Mr. Chairman,

3. Malaysia has consistently rendered assistance and contributions to the Government and the people of Palestine, both financially and in kind, including through UNRWA. We are a regular contributor to UNRWA since 1978, and has also made financial contribution this year.

4. Malaysia reiterates its strong condemnation of Israel's flagrant violations, including the continued restriction of movement of UNRWA personnel and goods in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip, which have undermined the Agency's ability to effectively execute its mandate for the Palestinian refugees.

5. Malaysia also calls on the restoration of the inalienable rights of Palestinians, including the establishment of an independent and sovereign State of Palestine based on pre-1967 borders, with East Jerusalem as its capital. We also reject any unilateral action regarding the final status of Jerusalem. The only viable way forward is a negotiated two-state solution.

Mr. Chairman,

6. Malaysia remains steadfast in standing in solidarity with our Palestinians brothers and sisters. It is our collective responsibility to alleviate the sufferings of Palestinians especially the most vulnerable.

7. In closing, my delegation remains committed to working closely with UNRWA and other parties towards alleviating the suffering of Palestinians, and in protecting the mandate of UNRWA.

I thank you, Mr. Chairman.