



*In the Name of God, the Most Compassionate, the Most Merciful*

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The Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Office of Legal Affairs of the United Nations and has the honour to refer to Note No. LA/COD/11/1 dated 21 January 2026 regarding General Assembly resolution 80/171 entitled “Measures to Eliminate International Terrorism” and the report of the Secretary-General related thereto.

In accordance with the aforementioned resolution, the Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations would like to draw the kind attention of the Secretariat to the following information concerning terrorist activities:

- Terrorist activities continue to pose immense threats and formidable challenges to the safety and security of societies and have detrimental impacts on the economic and social development of countries, while eroding the foundations of the rule of law at the international level. As highlighted in the Declaration on Measures to Eliminate International Terrorism, “acts, methods, and practices of terrorism constitute a grave violation of the purposes and principles of the United Nations.”;
- The Israeli regime constitutes a reprehensible instance and source of such terrorism, incarnated, perpetuated, and interwoven into a system of genocidal apartheid and prolonged occupation spanning more than seventy-five years and claiming the lives of hundreds of thousands of people across the region. In recent months in particular, the world has witnessed, with anguish and anger, the magnitude of the terrorist attacks, genocide, and aggression perpetrated by the Israeli regime in the West Asia region and beyond;
- On 28 February 2026, the Israeli and the United States regimes, in flagrant violation of the fundamental principles, rules, and norms of international law, including those relating to Heads of State, in the course of their blatant aggression against the Islamic Republic of Iran, deliberately carried out a cowardly and wanton terrorist attack targeting a civilian building in Tehran, leading to the martyrdom of the Supreme Leader of the Islamic



Revolution, Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei, along with members of his family, including children as young as one year old; thereby demonstrating once again the extent of brutality, lawlessness, and the policy and practice of terrorism of the Israeli regime and the United States. This constitutes a clear instance, *inter alia*, of terrorist acts committed against internationally protected persons;

- As of 28 February 2026, other deliberate terrorist acts to cause death or serious bodily injury to Iranian civilians have been carried out by the Israeli regime and the United States. For example, the United States and the Israeli regime, in a barbaric attack, targeted an elementary school in the city of Minab, Hormozgan Province, killing more than one hundred and seventy students as well as fourteen teachers and injuring over one hundred others. In another instance, a sports club in Lamerd, Fars Province, was targeted, as a result of which more than fifteen civilians were killed. The United States and the Israeli regime have also organized, armed, financed, supported, and openly incited terrorist groups outside the country to initiate acts of terrorism against the Iranian people;
- The peaceful nuclear facilities of the Islamic Republic of Iran in Natanz, which operate under the full-scope safeguards and monitoring of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), were targeted by the Israeli regime, including in March 2026. These brutal attacks by the regime's criminals and the possible damage resulting therefrom could pose formidable risks to the civilian population. These deliberate attacks, among others and *ad minimum*, are tantamount to acts of nuclear terrorism;
- The international community should be further alarmed by the Israeli regime's policy and practice of terrorism in the region, which has brazenly evolved into various forms and manifestations in terms of victims, means, methods, and instrumentalities. These include: (1) the misuse and exploitation of information and communication technologies for terrorist purposes, including the weaponization and detonation of handheld communication devices; (2) the misuse of unmanned aerial vehicles, in conjunction with artificial intelligence, to conduct mass terrorist attacks; (3) the use of chemical agents; (4) willful and premeditated terrorist attacks against internationally protected persons, including Heads of State and diplomats; (5) the brutal assassination of civilians, including scientists



and academicians; (6) terrorist acts by occupying settlers and (7) terrorist attacks on critical infrastructure.

- The *mens rea* of Israeli criminals in perpetrating terrorism is evident, demonstrating acts of terrorism motivated by hatred, xenophobia, racism, and supremacism, in tandem with genocide, war crimes, crimes against humanity, and other egregious crimes. Occupying settlers' terrorism, which emanates from the Israeli occupation and its incitement to hostility, hatred, and violence, constitutes one of the forms of terrorism that is increasingly emerging and evolving. It has been estimated that, since 2023, more than 1,800 acts of terrorism and violence in various forms have been committed by occupying settlers;
- Such blatant acts of terrorism by the Israeli regime constitute a flagrant violation of international law and the Charter of the United Nations, including the fundamental principles enshrined therein, and also, amongst others, international human rights law and international humanitarian law. The Islamic Republic of Iran condemns, in the strongest possible terms, the acts, methods, and practices of terrorism of the Israeli regime, as well as its atrocious crimes committed against the people of the region, including its ongoing perpetration of genocide. The implementation of obligations in good faith in countering the atrocious and terrorist acts of the Israeli regime remains a crucial element in ensuring international peace and security and in achieving a world free of terrorism;
- In this context and to that end, it is important to underline the obligations under international law with respect to combating international terrorism, in particular the duty to refrain from participating in, facilitating, or encouraging terrorist acts of the occupying Israeli regime, as well as the duty to refrain from assisting, fomenting, financing, inciting, or tolerating subversive, terrorist, or armed activities as such directed against sovereign States. These obligations are also reflected in the Declaration on Principles of International Law concerning Friendly Relations and Cooperation among States and the Declaration on Measures to Eliminate International Terrorism, respectively contained in General Assembly resolutions 2565 and A/RES/49/60;
- The Islamic Republic of Iran has demonstrated its continued commitment to combating terrorism by playing a crucial and decisive role in defeating terrorist groups such as ISIS



in the region. This role has always been praised by the peoples and governments of affected States. Without the sacrifices of the bravest of the Iranian people, especially General Ghassem Soleimani, who was at the forefront of counterterrorism efforts in the region, ISIS would have expanded its scourge of terror and violence beyond the region. The Islamic Republic of Iran, as a responsible founding Member of the United Nations, remains committed to its obligations in countering terrorism and underlines its legitimate rights under international law to counter terrorist acts conducted against its people, including those perpetrated by criminals of the Israeli regime; and

- It is worth highlighting that unlawful acts and crimes of the Israeli regime and the United States grossly violate a multitude of principles, rules, and norms of international law and thus implicate various areas of international law. The crimes and gross violations of the United States and Israeli regime also constitute, *inter alia*, terrorist aggression, war crimes, and crimes against humanity.

The Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran would like to hereby request that the abovementioned information be included in the report of the Secretary-General of the United Nations to be submitted under the said agenda item to the General Assembly at its eighty-first session, in accordance with the resolution referred to herein.

The Islamic Republic of Iran reserves its rights and prerogatives to provide further inputs and supplements for the report of the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

The Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office of Legal Affairs of the United Nations the assurances of its highest consideration.

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