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Mr. President,

I would like to thank Mr. Martin sheinin, Special Rapporteur on Promotion and Protection of Human Rights and fundamental Freedoms while countering Terrorism for his valuable work and comprehensive report. We attach a great importance to the mandate and activities of the special Rapporteur on human rights and counter terrorism.

Mr. President,

We are pleased that ~~the~~ Mr. Sheinin has been able to conduct an official mission to the United States of America and Israel in discharging his mandate. We would like to join to Special Rapporteur in expressing grave concern about the situation of detainees held in Guantanamo Bay and in other locations and the lack of judicial guarantees and fair trial procedures afforded to individuals suspected of terrorist activities. We urge the US Government to keep its promise and to close Guantanamo Bay detention centre, immediately. We also express our serious concern over the reports confirming the existence of CIA secret detention centres in Europe and the use of European air space for transmitting the terrorist suspects. We request Mr. Sheinin to address those cases more appropriately and adequately in future.

Mr. President,

With regard to the mission of the Special Rapporteur to Israel, we would also like to share the view of the special Rapporteur in highlighting the sever impact of the construction of illegal barrier, the Apartheid wall and of associated measures, upon the enjoyment of civil, cultural, economic,

political and social rights and freedoms of Palestinians in Occupied territories. Legalization of torture and brutal methods of interrogation used by the Israeli Regime against the Palestinians^{detainees} also deserves the thorough consideration by the Special Rapporteur.

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Thank you