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Introduction on behalf of the OIC of
L.5 Human Rights in the Occupied Syrian Golan

Mr. President,

I have the honour to introduce this ~~resolution~~ ^{L.5 Res. 1 on Human rights in the occupied} on behalf of the Member States of the Organization ^{Syri} of the Islamic Conference. ⁹⁰⁶

Occupation constitutes violation of peoples' basic rights. The Human Rights Council has an abiding obligation to assist people in their just struggle for the realization of the right to self-determination. ~~All human rights depend upon and emanate from the realization of this fundamental right.~~

History is witness to the fact that occupying powers ~~adamantly~~ resist the liberation of the people through force and subjugation. ~~This is pursued with ruthless persecution.~~ Freedom struggles have historically been labeled as terrorism by the occupying powers. ^{This is true in the case of all Palestinian + Arab occupied territories.}

Mr. President,

For nearly forty years the people of the Occupied Syrian Golan have been subjected to foreign rule. The Israeli Occupation Army has continued violation of human rights in the Occupied Golan for many years. These human rights violations are extensively reported by various sources including international media, NGOs and the UN Special Rapporteur on Palestine and Occupied Arab Territories. This Council needs to take a view on these documented violations.

The draft resolution ^{before the Council is based on principle accepted in} on this issue ~~hinges on the implementation of the~~ United Nations resolutions for the end of occupation of Golan, unconditional withdrawal of Israeli forces ~~and return of the~~ occupied area. ^{the}

Mr. President,

~~The occupation~~ Since 1981 ~~the occupation forces have embarked upon~~ ^{is underway} an exercise to change the physical character, demographic composition institutional structure and legal status of the Occupied Syrian Golan through various coercive measures in direct contravention of all international human rights norms and standards. This Council needs to take notice of these measures which aim to consolidate Israel's hold over Golan. ^{the}

Mr. President,

This draft is an attempt to bring these violations of human rights to the notice of the newly-established Council and hopes that it will be adopted by consensus.

I thank you Mr. President