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Submission sheet

Individuals, groups and organizations wishing to submit information and documentation to the United Nations Independent International Commission of Inquiry on the occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and Israel (hereafter the "COI") are kindly asked to fill in this sheet with any information they are able to provide, and attach it to their submissions.

It is not a requirement to provide all requested information if not available, though <u>particular</u> <u>attention should be given to filling in the section on consent</u>.

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	Agree to be contacted by the COI: Yes \Box No \Box Yes
Relationship of	Anti-Israel and anti-Jewish indoctrination in UNRWA schools is a
submitting	major root-cause of the conflict, including the eruption of violence in
entity/individual to the	2021.
alleged victim/s	
	The United Nations Relief and Works Agency for the refugees of the 1948 war (UNRWA) provides educational services to school children registered as refugees in Syria, Lebanon, Jordan, the West Bank (including East Jerusalem) and the Gaza Strip. In the latter two areas it is responsible for the education of about a quarter of the Palestinian student body, with over 320,000 students in some 370 schools. As a matter of self-imposed policy, UNRWA uses in its schools textbooks of the host governments in its various areas of operation. That raises a serious ethical problem, since these books contain crude anti- Israeli, anti-Zionist and even anti-Semitic expressions clearly contradicting UNRWA's defined neutral and peace-oriented character as a UN organization.
	Anti-Semitism in the Arab world is part and parcel of the current conflict, although its roots can be traced to earlier periods. As such, it exists in most Arab curricula. This is the case as well in the Palestinian one, though to a lesser extent, comparing to those of Syria, Saudi Arabia and even Egypt. That is so due, probably, to the fact that the Palestinian textbook

	 publishing operation was partly financed by Western donor states. This assumption is based on an incident that took place in 2004 when the Palestinian Authority (PA) issued a history textbook for grade 10 in which the Protocols of the Elders of Zion were described as the confidential resolutions of the first Zionist Congress, held in Basel, Switzerland, in 1897. Following a report by the author of this paper in 2005, I was asked by the Belgian embassy in Tel Aviv to send them the relevant Arabic page accompanied by an English translation, and a few months later the PA issued a new version of the book without the said description. Since UNRWA uses the PA schoolbooks with no omissions or amendments, it actually becomes full partner of the PA anti-Israeli and, sometimes, anti-Semitic indoctrination. Anti-Semitic expressions in such schoolbooks have existed throughout UNRWA's seven-decade activity, mostly within the context of the conflict, but also in the religious context. Full report: https://israelbehindthenews.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/Antisemitism-UNRWA-education.pdf
Human rights	
violation/s or abuses	
alleged to have	
occurred	
Violations of the laws	
and customs of war	
(international	
humanitarian law)	
Date/s of incident/time period	
Place of incident	Village/township/city:
	Province:
Name/s of alleged	Name:
victim/s gender, age	Gender:
, realing 5 Schuer, age	Age:
	Father's name:
	Nationality:
	Profession:
	Phone number/email:
	Address:
Identification of those	Name of alleged perpetrator if known:
allegedly responsible	Mr Philippe Lazzarini
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	Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations and Commissioner- General of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA).
	State or non-state entity with which perpetrator is affiliated, if any: United Nations
	Any identifying marks of the perpetrator which indicate their affiliation, such as the colour or pattern of their uniform and uniform's insignia:
Description of the	Detailed description of:
incident(s)/allegations (2000-word limit)	 the incident(s) or alleged violation(s), including dates, specific locations (e.g. street, building) and number and types and name(s) of victim(s) the context in which they took place alleged perpetrators alleged motive
	Please also include information on the impact of these violations, as well as age and gender-sensitive considerations (e.g. how these violations affected women and men, girls and boys differently).
Description of the State's response, (500- word limit)	Indicate whether the incident was reported to the authorities: Yes \Box No \Box If yes, which authorities:
	Information on any investigations, judicial processes, decision/judgements and sentences, including reparations, in response to the incident:
Methodology employed in the collection of information	Please provide a description of the methodology employed in the collection of the information shared- primary, secondary sources, means of verification, etc., along with how informed consent was gained from the information provider. If needed, attach a copy of the relevant standard operating procedures followed.
Consent	Please indicate whether you, the person submitting the information, agree to the following use of the information by the COI with or without personally identifiable data:
	INFORMED CONSENT TO USE THE INFORMATION:
	1. Use internally and publicly (e.g. public report, press release), with \Box without \Box personally identifiable data. Agree
	2. Use internally only (within the COI), with \Box without \Box personally identifiable data. Agree
	INFORMED CONSENT TO SHARE THE INFORMATION:

	 Raise the case with national authorities, courts or accountability mechanisms that respect international standards (including due process) with without personally identifiable data. Agree Share info with national human rights institutions, with
	If necessary, please explain:
Description of any broader issues not related to specific violations (2000-word limit)	Description should be succinct, highlighting issues of relevance to the mandate of the COI, and include concrete examples whenever possible. Please also include information on the impact of these violations, as well as age and gender-sensitive considerations (e.g. how these violations affected women and men, girls and boys differently) as relevant.
Any other human rights NGOs to whom you reported the incident	If appropriate, please provide name and contact information of any other person or organization to whom the incident was reported.
Additional materials (documents, images, videos, etc) relevant to the incident(s)/allegation(s)	Please indicate, if you are aware of, or in possession of, any additional materials from other sources (including the media and NGOs) in which the above incident(s)/allegations are cited, that are deemed relevant/useful. The COI may follow-up at a later date in order to receive the material(s) indicated.
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