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**STATEMENT TO BE DELIVERED BY THE PERMANENT DELEGATION OF THE
REPUBLIC OF AZERBAIJAN, ON BEHALF OF THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT ON
THE INTERNATIONAL DAY OF SOLIDARITY WITH THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE**

Paris, 29 November 2021

It is the honor for the Republic of Azerbaijan, in its capacity as the Chair of the Non-Aligned Movement, to deliver this statement on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement to commemorate the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People.

The International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People is a solemn occasion for renewing our commitment in the search for a fair and lasting solution to the Palestinian cause and to achieve genuine peace and security in the Middle East.

Throughout its history, the NAM has played a fundamental role in strengthening international peace and security, in accordance with Bandung principles. The NAM persistently called to promote a culture of peace based on respect for sovereignty and territorial integrity of States, non-interference in the internal affairs of States, right to self-determination of peoples under foreign occupation and colonial domination, prevention of violence, promotion of non-violence, strict adherence to the principles of international relations as enshrined in the UN Charter.

In the Final Document of the 2019 Baku Summit of the Non-Aligned Movement, the Non-Aligned Movement stressed the urgent need to continue providing political, economic and humanitarian support to assist the Palestinian People and calls on the international community to remind Israel of its obligations under international law including UNESCO conventions.

NAM reiterates its call for the realization of justice and the inalienable rights, including educational and cultural rights, as well as legitimate national aspirations of the Palestinian people in their sovereign and independent State of Palestine, with East Jerusalem as its capital, in accordance with international law and relevant UN Security Council resolutions.

The Non-Aligned Movement stresses that just and lasting solution to the question of Palestine in all its aspects remains a permanent responsibility of the United Nations until it is satisfactorily resolved in accordance with international law and the relevant United Nations Resolutions, and emphasizes the need for mobilization and exertion of multilateral efforts to alleviate the humanitarian and socio-economic hardships being endured by the Palestinian People.

The ongoing illegal Israeli settlement activities in the Occupied Palestinian Territory continue to be a matter of grave concern. The NAM condemns any action, which will legitimize the occupation and illegal settlements. This is the time where the international community needs to take concrete measures to honor its legal and moral responsibility,

to defend the legal system that is being put at risk and ensure that impunity does not become the norm.

On this Day, the Non-Aligned Movement calls for the redoubling of international efforts, at the governmental, intergovernmental and non-governmental levels, stressing that a peaceful solution to the question of Palestine is central for establishing peace and stability in the Middle East.

I thank you.