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## Statement of the Kazakhstan delegation

on the draft resolution "On ensuring of accountability and justice for all violations of international law in the occupied Palestinian territories including East Jerusalem"

Mr. President,

Our delegation is making this explanation after voting to reiterate that Kazakhstan stands for the solution of the Palestinian issue on the basis of international law including the relevant UN resolutions and the Arab Peace Initiative.

Kazakhstan will continue to provide full support to restoration of stability in the Middle East as an indispensable condition for a just and lasting peace in the region.

The Republic of Kazakhstan considers it legitimate to create a Palestinian state within the 1967 borders existing side by side in peace and security with Israel and supports efforts aimed at its recognition as the full-fledged member of the United Nations.

Kazakhstan condemns terrorism in all of its forms and manifestations. The actions of terrorists and extremists nullify the positive results achieved in course of many years of negotiations between the Israelis and the Palestinians. At the same time, the fight against terrorist groups should not lead to loss of lives and sufferings among civilian population.

We believe that the investigation of all activities related to terrorist attacks on the territory of the Gaza Strip must be carried out taking into account the real state of affairs.

Noting the inalienable right of the Israelis and the Palestinians to live in peace and to its protection, Kazakhstan welcomes the dialogue between the Israelis and the Palestinians in order to establish lasting peace in the Middle East based on respect for the rights of both peoples.

Thank you!

