COMMUNIQUÉ OF THE COORDINATING BUREAU OF THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT (NAM) IN CONDEMNATION OF THE ACTS OF AGGRESSION COMMITTED BY ISRAEL AGAINST THE SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC ON 17 MARCH 2017

1. The Coordinating Bureau of the Non-Aligned Movement condemns, in the strongest possible terms, the acts of aggression committed by Israel against the Syrian Arab Republic on 17 March 2017, considering such acts as a grave violation of the Syrian sovereignty and a breach of international law, the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations and the Agreement on Disengagement between Israeli and Syrian Forces of 1974.

2. The Coordinating Bureau of the Non-Aligned Movement requests the Security Council of the United Nations to shoulder its responsibility by clearly condemning these acts of aggression and taking the necessary measures to prevent its recurrence, and holding Israel accountable for threatening regional and international peace and security.

3. The Coordinating Bureau of the Non-Aligned Movement, in line with the decisions adopted by the Heads of State and Government during the XVII Summit of Island of Margarita, held in the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, on September 2016, reaffirms its principled position regarding the Occupied Syrian Golan, including its demand for Israel to abide by Security Council resolution 497 (1981), and to withdraw fully from the Occupied Syrian Golan to the lines of 4 June 1967, in implementation of Security Council resolutions 242 (1967) and 338 (1973).

4. The Coordinating Bureau of the Non-Aligned Movement emphasizes the importance of promoting the peaceful settlement of disputes, and reaffirms its unwavering support and solidarity with the Syrian just demand and rights to restore the full Syrian sovereignty over the Occupied Syrian Golan, on the basis of the terms of the Arab Peace Initiative, the Madrid Peace Process, as well as the principle of land for peace, and in accordance with relevant Security Council resolutions.

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