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## Tenth emergency special session

Agenda item 5

### Illegal Israeli actions in Occupied East Jerusalem and the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory

#### **Letter dated 19 October 2023 from the Permanent Representatives of Jordan and Mauritania to the United Nations addressed to the President of the General Assembly**

The Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan and the Islamic Republic of Mauritania, in their respective capacities as Chair of the Arab Group and Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) Group at the United Nations in New York, and pursuant to the decisions made by the Arab Group on 18 October 2023 and OIC on 19 October 2023, request the resumption of the tenth emergency special session of the General Assembly following the veto cast on 18 October 2023 by a permanent member of the Security Council on a draft resolution addressing the grave situation in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem.

In light of the gravity of the situation, due in particular to the siege and military aggression by Israel, the occupying Power, against the Palestinian civilian population in the Gaza Strip, that has, of this date, killed thousands of civilians, including children and women and the elderly, injured tens of thousands, caused wanton destruction of homes and other civilian properties and infrastructure, and inflicted catastrophic humanitarian conditions, risking further dangerous destabilization of the situation, endangering more civilian lives and threatening international peace and security, it is urgent that the General Assembly convene to address this crisis, in accordance with resolution [377 \(V\)](#) (1950), “Uniting for peace”. We therefore request that the tenth emergency special session be resumed as rapidly as possible.

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Permanent Representative of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania  
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