



American Model United Nations
Economic and Social Council

ECOSOC/II/2

SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Economic and social repercussions of the Israeli occupation on the living conditions of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan

SUBMITTED TO: The Economic and Social Council

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1 *Acknowledging* that the Palestinian territories suffer from economic and social
2 deficiencies which require significant and rapid action in order to resolve and bring about
3 an increase in quality of life,
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5 *Further acknowledging* that the Israeli occupation has economic and social impact
6 upon the Palestinian people,
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8 *Convinced* that high and persistent unemployment rates lead to social unrest and
9 that it is in the interests of all parties to engage in efforts toward sustainable economic
10 development,
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12 *Realizing* that the inability to find employment opportunities and financial
13 stability contributes directly to willingness to participate in violent and radical
14 organizations,
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16 *Noting with regret* the continuation of violence perpetrated by both sides,
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18 *Guided by* the principles expressed in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights,
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20 *Fully aware* of the issues presented by the 2011 Report of the Special Rapporteur
21 A/HRC/16/72,
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23 *Welcoming* the development of projects to revive the Palestinian economy and
24 improve the living conditions of the Palestinian people,
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26 *Emphasizing* the need to create the appropriate conditions to facilitate the
27 implementation of these projects,
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29 *Noting* the contribution of partners in the region and of the international
30 community,
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32 1. *Encourages* international, private sector, and non-governmental organizations

33 to pursue investment in the Palestinian territories in order to provide capital with which to
34 allow entrepreneurship and small business growth;

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36 2. *Invites* the International Monetary Fund, the World Bank, and other
37 international financial institutions to initiate microfinance opportunities for the citizens of
38 the Palestinian Territories, which provide capital to start businesses promoting Palestinian
39 economic prosperity;

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41 3. *Encourages* that the international community works actively to increase
42 education in the areas of vocational training, infrastructure development, and small
43 business management;

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45 4. *Recommends* that NGOs and United Nations organizations lead those initiatives
46 within the Palestinian territories;

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48 5. *Expresses hope* that Israel will grant and honor building permits which enable
49 Palestinians to build infrastructure and increase employment opportunities;

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51 6. *Resolves* to remain seized on this issue.

Passed by consensus, with 3 abstentions