EXAMINATION OF DELEGATES’ CREDENTIALS

STATEMENT OF ARAB DELEGATIONS CONCERNING THEIR RESERVATIONS ABOUT THE CREDENTIALS SUBMITTED BY THE ISRAELI DELEGATION TO THE FORTY-FIRST REGULAR SESSION OF THE IAEA GENERAL CONFERENCE IN VIENNA

Sir,

We enclose herewith the statement of the delegations of Arab States whose signatures are on the attached list and which are participating in the forty-first regular session of the General Conference of the International Atomic Energy Agency being held in Vienna from 29 September to 3 October 1997 concerning their reservations about the credentials of the Israeli delegation of the General Conference with the request that it be included in the Conference’s report and be treated as an official document of the Conference.

The Chairman of the Credentials Committee, General Conference of the IAEA

(signed) Essa Al-Nowaiser
Ambassador of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
Dean of the Arab Diplomatic Corps

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Statement of Arab delegations concerning their reservations about
the credentials submitted by the Israeli delegation to the
forty-first regular session of the IAEA General Conference
in Vienna

Mr. Chairman,

The undersigned delegations of the Arab States, members of the League of Arab States participating in this Conference, wish to express their reservations about the credentials submitted by the Israeli delegation for the following reasons:

(1) Israel has annexed the city of Jerusalem, regarding it as its capital in spite of the relevant United Nations resolutions and in particular Security Council resolutions 252, 267, 271, 298, 465, 476 and 478 adopted in various years and General Assembly resolution E 169/35 of 15 December 1980, which considered all administrative and legal measures taken after the occupation of the city of Jerusalem null and void and unlawful, and in which the General Assembly called upon all States and specialized agencies and other international organizations to disregard any measure contravening the provisions of that resolution. You will notice that, in spite of the provisions of the above-mentioned resolution, the credentials submitted by the delegation of Israel have been issued from occupied Jerusalem;

(2) Israel has annexed the Syrian Arab Golan area and refused to implement the Security Council and General Assembly resolutions relating to the annulment of the annexation measures. It continues to occupy part of South Lebanon and Western Beqaa, and to refuse to apply Security Council resolution 425 on this subject.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
Names of Arab States signing the Statement concerning their reservations about the credentials of the Israeli delegation to the forty-first regular session of the IAEA General Conference held in Vienna from 29 September to 3 October 1997

Kingdom of Morocco
Sudan
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya
Qatar
Jordan
United Arab Emirates
Syrian Arab Republic
Republic of Yemen
Iraq
Tunisia
Lebanon
Kuwait
Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
Algeria