

Draft Decision for the Human Rights Council

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Agenda item 2

End of the Mandate of the United Nations International Commission of Inquiry on the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and in Israel

The Human Rights Council,

Guided by the principles and purposes of the Charter of the United Nations, and recalling article 101 thereof which requires that staff uphold the highest standards of competence and integrity,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 60/251, and in particular article 4 thereof, which provides that the work of the Council shall be guided by the principles of universality, impartiality, objectivity and non-selectivity,

Recalling also General Assembly Resolution 46/59 and its Annex, the Declaration on Fact-Finding by the United Nations in the Field of the Maintenance of International Peace and Security of 9 December 1991, and in particular Articles 3 and 25 thereof, providing that fact-finding missions have an obligation to act in strict conformity with their mandate and perform their task in an objective and impartial way,

Reaffirming the Guidance and Practice for Commissions of Inquiry and Fact-Finding Missions on International Human Rights and Humanitarian law published by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, and in particular section 2(b) thereof, which provides that members of commissions of inquiry should in all cases have a proven record of independence and impartiality, emphasizes the importance of ensuring that the background of candidates, prior public statements or political or other affiliations will not affect their independence or impartiality, or create perceptions of bias, and requests members being considered for appointment to disclose any information that may lead to questions being raised about their independence, impartiality and integrity, including publications on the object of the inquiry, political affiliations, and membership in any organization that might be involved or have an interest in the matters under investigation,

Taking into account that the Commission of Inquiry on the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and in Israel, presented a report to the Council on June 13, 2022 (A/HRC/521),

1. *Decides* to terminate the mandate of the United Nations International Commission of Inquiry on the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and in Israel.

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