

Secretary-General Antonio Guterres The United Nations New York, NY 10027 United States

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Dear Mr. Secretary-General,

In wake of Georgetown University's announcement that it has rightly decided to terminate Francesca Albanese, we urge you and the UN to immediately do the same.¹ Ms. Albanese's actions gravely undermine the credibility of the UN human rights system and your stated commitment to combating terrorism and hate. She has repeatedly violated the UN's own Code of Conduct and engaged in antisemitism and Holocaust inversion, for which she has been denounced by France, Germany, Canada, Italy and the Netherlands, and sanctioned by the United States. The UN's own Coordination Committee acknowledged that Ms. Albanese received funding from "external groups"—the pro-Hamas AFOPA—and "inappropriately" solicited money for lectures. Last month, she was condemned across Italy for issuing a "warning" to journalists. Her conduct is incompatible with the integrity required of a UN figure. We urge you to end your silence and declare the termination of an individual who brings the world body into disrepute.

Second, we urge you to denounce Ms. Albanese for misleading the United Nations about her removal from Georgetown University. As documented in our correspondence with Georgetown, Ms. Albanese's termination went into effect by August 2025, and yet—months later—she still falsely described herself on her UN website as "an affiliate scholar at the Institute for the Study of International Migration at Georgetown University." We urge you to immediately delete this, and to instead correct the UN website as follows: "In 2025, after Francesca Albanese was denounced for Holocaust inversion and other grave ethical violations by France, Germany, Canada, Italy and the Netherlands, and sanctioned by the United States, Georgetown University severed all ties with her."

Finally, we urge you to denounce Ms. Albanese for deliberately misleading the wider public. Long after her termination, she has continued to falsely describe herself—at recent events in <u>SOAS</u>, <u>Qatar</u>, and <u>South Africa</u>, and on <u>Wikipedia</u> through Dec. 25—as being a Georgetown scholar. This is part of a pattern and practice of Ms. Albanese's persistent non-compliance with her UN <u>obligations</u> of integrity, honesty and good faith.

Sincerely,

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> We urge you to declare Albanese's mandate was <u>never lawfully renewed</u> and thus ended on 30 April.