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**Identical letters dated 21 June 2021 from the Permanent
Representative of Qatar to the United Nations addressed to the
Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council**

In the capacity of the State of Qatar as the current Chair of the Council of the League of Arab States at the ministerial level, and in accordance with the rules of procedure of the League of Arab States and Article 54 of the Charter of the United Nations, I have the honour to enclose herewith a letter from the Permanent Observer for the League of Arab States to the United Nations (see annex) transmitting a communiqué adopted in Doha on 15 June 2021 by the Arab Ministerial Committee on the implementation of resolution 8660, adopted by the Council of the League at the ministerial level, on taking action to stop the Israeli actions in the occupied city of Jerusalem.

It would be highly appreciated if you would have the present letter and its annex distributed as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 37, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Alya Ahmed Saif **Al-Thani**
Ambassador
Permanent Representative



**Annex to the identical letters dated 21 June 2021 from the
Permanent Representative of Qatar to the United Nations
addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the
Security Council**

[Original: Arabic]

In keeping with the practice followed by the Group of Arab States whereby the chair of each ministerial or summit session of the Council of the League of Arab States is charged with transmitting the relevant resolutions to the appropriate United Nations bodies by means of an official memorandum or letter from the Permanent Observer Mission for the League of Arab States to the United Nations, and in accordance with Article 54 of the Charter of the United Nations, I have the honour to transmit herewith the Arabic and English versions of the communiqué issued by the Arab ministerial committee responsible for implementing resolution 8660 by putting a stop to Israeli measures in the occupied city of Jerusalem. The communiqué was endorsed Council of the League at the ministerial level at an extraordinary session held in Doha on 15 June 2021.

In accordance with the instructions of the secretariat of the League of Arab States in that regard, I should be grateful if the present letter and its enclosure could be transmitted to the Secretary-General of the United Nations for issuance as a document of the General Assembly under agenda item 37, entitled “The situation in the Middle East”, and to the President of the Security Council for issuance as a document of the Council under the standing agenda item concerning the situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question.

(Signed) Maged Abdelfattah **Abdelaziz**
Ambassador
Head of the Observer Mission, New York

Enclosure

[Original: Arabic]

League of Arab States

Secretariat

Secretariat of Council Affairs

Communiqué issued by the Arab ministerial committee responsible for taking action to stop the Israeli measures in the occupied city of Jerusalem

By virtue of resolution 8660 concerning the Israel aggression against the occupied city of Jerusalem and its people, including the holy Aqsa Mosque and the Shaykh Jarrah neighbourhood, which was adopted by the Council of the League of Arab States at the ministerial level in an extraordinary session on 11 May 2021, an Arab ministerial committee was established with a view to taking action, liaising with the permanent members of the Security Council and other States with influence at the international level, and urging those States to take practical steps to stop the illegal Israeli policies and measures under way in the occupied city of Jerusalem.

The committee, which consists of Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Palestine, Qatar, Egypt, Morocco and Tunisia (in its capacity as chair of the Arab summit and as the Arab member of the Security Council) and the Secretary-General of the League, held its first session in Doha on 15 June 2021. The Committee also welcomed Algeria as a participant in its first meeting. A resolution concerning that session will be adopted at the 156th session of the Council of the League.

The members of the Committee elected Jordan as chair.

In accordance with the functions assigned to the Committee by the Council of the League, the members discussed the best means and mechanisms for implementing the Committee's mandate. An agreement was reached on a number of steps, procedures and lines of communication with the influential and decision-making entities of the international community with a view to putting a stop to the illegitimate and illegal Israeli measures, whose purpose is to alter the Arab, Islamic and Christian identity of occupied Jerusalem and the legal and historical situation of the city and its Islamic and Christian holy sites, and to undermine the two-State solution and the prospects of a comprehensive and just peace in the region.

The secretariat and the councils of Arab ambassadors to relevant States were tasked with taking a number of measures in accordance with the Committee's mandate.

The Secretary-General of the League was requested to follow up on the implementation of the present communiqué and report to the Council at its 156th ordinary session.