

Mr President,

I wish to thank Prof. Dugard for his pertinent report on the painful situation of the Palestinian people who are the subject of such egregious violations of human rights while the international community seem to remain indifferent.

I also share the view expressed by the Ambassador of Pakistan who spoke in the name of countries members of the Organization of The Islamic Conference.

The position of the Council with respect to the Palestinian question will determine the credibility of this Council which cannot continue the practice of the Commission of Human Rights to politicize the issue of human rights giving a different weight to human rights according to ~~which~~ ^{the identity} ~~are~~ ^{the} ~~of~~ the identity of the victims of the ~~violations~~ ^{violation} of human. Let this Council demonstrate that, contrary to the Security Council which responds to political motivations, it believes that all human beings are equal in the right to enjoy human rights. It would thus really become the conscience of the international community.