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Letter dated 17 June 2026 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the General Assembly

In accordance with paragraph 6 (h) of General Assembly resolution [ES-10/17](#), adopted on 15 December 2006, I have the honour to transmit herewith the progress report, dated 5 June 2026, from the Board of the United Nations Register of Damage Caused by the Construction of the Wall in the Occupied Palestinian Territory (see annex).

I would be grateful if you could bring the present letter and its annex to the attention of the members of the General Assembly.

(Signed) António **Guterres**



Annex

Letter dated 5 June 2026 from the members of the Board of the United Nations Register of Damage Caused by the Construction of the Wall in the Occupied Palestinian Territory addressed to the Secretary-General

We have the honour to provide the progress report of the Board of the United Nations Register of Damage Caused by the Construction of the Wall in the Occupied Palestinian Territory for transmission to the General Assembly in accordance with paragraph 6 (h) of Assembly resolution [ES-10/17](#) (see enclosure).

We request that the progress report be issued as a document of the General Assembly. Our 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2023, 2024 and 2025 progress reports were issued as documents [A/ES-10/455](#), [A/ES-10/498](#), [A/ES-10/522](#), [A/ES-10/598](#), [A/ES-10/599](#), [A/ES-10/658](#), [A/ES-10/683](#), [A/ES-10/730](#), [A/ES-10/756](#), [A/ES-10/801](#), [A/ES-10/821](#), [A/ES-10/839](#), [A/ES-10/949](#), [A/ES-10/1004](#) and [A/ES-10/1035](#), respectively.

(Signed) Vladimir **Goryayev**
Member of the Board

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Member of the Board

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Member of the Board

Enclosure

Progress report of the Board of the United Nations Register of Damage Caused by the Construction of the Wall in the Occupied Palestinian Territory

1. The Board of the United Nations Register of Damage Caused by the Construction of the Wall in the Occupied Palestinian Territory provides the present progress report in accordance with paragraph 6 (h) of General Assembly resolution [ES-10/17](#), covering the period from 17 May 2025 to 5 June 2026. The 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2023, 2024 and 2025 progress reports of the Board are contained in documents [A/ES-10/455](#), [A/ES-10/498](#), [A/ES-10/522](#), [A/ES-10/598](#), [A/ES-10/599](#), [A/ES-10/658](#), [A/ES-10/683](#), [A/ES-10/730](#), [A/ES-10/756](#), [A/ES-10/801](#), [A/ES-10/821](#), [A/ES-10/839](#), [A/ES-10/949](#), [A/ES-10/1004](#) and [A/ES-10/1035](#), respectively. Board progress reports, as well as other basic documents pertinent to the work of the Register of Damage, are posted on the Register's website (www.unrod.org).

2. In accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution [ES-10/17](#) and the Register's Rules and Regulations Governing the Registration of Claims, the Office of the Register of Damage is required to undertake outreach and claim-intake activities in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, securely deliver claim forms and supporting documents to the Register's office in Vienna and undertake translation and legal processing of the claims for consideration by the Board. The Board then reviews those claims and takes a decision, which is final, on which claims should be included in the Register of Damage on the basis of the established objective criteria defined in the Rules and Regulations.

3. During the reporting period, the Office of the Register of Damage continued to undertake outreach activities and collect claims in the Occupied Palestinian Territory and to process them for review by the Board. Since its launch in 2008, the Office's community outreach and claim-intake campaign has been conducted in all nine affected governorates: Janin, Tubas, Tulkarm, Qalqiliyah, Salfit, Ramallah, Hebron, Bethlehem and Jerusalem, which comprise a population of more than 1.3 million inhabitants. During the reporting period, outreach activities were conducted for 25 public entities from all governorates, including ministries, municipalities and local public authorities, through in-person meetings, telephone calls and videoconferences.

4. During the reporting period, claim intake was suspended for eight months due to the deteriorated security situation in the Occupied Palestinian Territory and the lack of extrabudgetary resources to support the work of two claim intakers on the ground. During its meeting in February 2026, and following receipt of new extrabudgetary funds, the Board drew the attention of the Executive Director of the Office of the Register of Damage to the need to take urgent measures for the earliest possible resumption of the process of claim intake. Claim intake was resumed as of 27 April 2026. As a result, during the reporting period, 269 claims in total were collected during the reporting period, of which 78 were collected since the 27 April 2026 resumption. The claims collected during the reporting period include two category F (public resources and other) claims from the Budrus community of Ramallah Governorate and Matallah in Janin Governorate. In addition, during the reporting period, 100 claims from several locations were rectified. To expedite claim intake in the remaining areas, the Board requested the Office to explore concrete practical proposals to improve the process for collecting claims in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including through new technologies, while ensuring the necessary confidentiality and integrity of the Register. The Board is encouraged by recent initiatives undertaken by the Office in this regard.

5. As at 5 June 2026, a total of 74,469 claims have been collected. Significantly, the Office has now collected claims in all affected communities where the construction of the wall has been completed. Claim intake is now focused on claims not previously collected from affected areas, including category F (public resources and other) claims, as well as claims arising from new developments on the ground.

6. During the reporting period, the Office of the Register of Damage processed 4,552 claims. Technical adjustments were made to 183 claims in view of further development of the eligibility criteria. The gap between the number of claims collected and the number of claims processed by the Office has therefore been narrowed, although a backlog of 21,046 unprocessed claims remains.

7. To expedite claims processing, the Board recommended that the Office develop new methodologies and technological innovations, some of which have already been implemented and are producing promising results. An enhanced eligibility matrix for the largest categories of claims was developed and successfully deployed on 22 November 2025 for category A (agriculture) claims, and on 28 January 2026 for category D (employment) claims. This new matrix facilitated and significantly expedited the processing of such claims while maintaining the integrity and reliability of the review process, resulting in time savings of around 20 per cent for livestock claims (category A (agriculture)).

8. In addition, an artificial intelligence-based share calculator has been developed on the Office's own secure server that helps to calculate and analyse shares of ownership in claims. This tool was successfully deployed on 28 January 2026 and has resulted in substantial additional time savings. The Board, together with the Office, continue exploring opportunities for technological innovations that may further enhance the efficiency of the Office.

9. From the inception of the Register of Damage to the time of writing, the Board had decided to include in the Register the losses set out in 51,548 claims and not to include those set out in 1,875 claims that did not meet the eligibility criteria, bringing the total number of decided claims to 53,423.

10. In accordance with paragraph 6 (f) of General Assembly resolution [ES-10/17](#), adopted at the tenth emergency special session of the Assembly held on 15 December 2006, the Board shall meet at least four times each year at the Office of the Register of Damage to determine which claims should be included in the Register of Damage, based on the established objective criteria defined in the rules and regulations. During the reporting period, the members of the Board met on three occasions in Vienna, during which they held four meetings: (a) from 15 to 19 September 2025; (b) from 23 to 27 February 2026; (c) from 25 to 29 May 2026; and (d) from 1 to 5 June 2026. Regrettably, the meeting of the Board scheduled for 1 to 5 December 2025 was cancelled by the Office due to a shortage of funding. In order to comply with the provision of the General Assembly resolution, the Board decided to hold the 1 to 5 June 2026 meeting in replacement of the meeting that is normally held in September each year. To ensure that its work is uninterrupted in the future, the Board has requested the Executive Director of the Office of the Register of Damage to explore ways to ensure that the expenses supporting the Board's activities are not considered discretionary.

11. During the reporting period, the Board reviewed and decided on a total of 5,568 claims that had been processed by the Office, comprising: (a) 2,583 claims at its meeting held from 15 to 19 September 2025; (b) 1,000 claims at its meeting held from 23 to 27 February 2026; (c) 1,014 claims at its meeting held from 25 to 29 May 2026; and (d) 971 claims at its meeting held from 1 to 5 June 2026. In total, during the reporting period, the Board decided to include in the Register 5,568 claims and not to

include 282 claims that did not meet the eligibility criteria set out in the Rules and Regulations.

12. Of the claims reviewed and decided by the Board during the reporting period, 4,912 contained claims for category A (agriculture) losses; 104 for category B (commercial) losses; 551 for category D (employment) losses; and 1 for category F (public resources and other) losses.

13. In its review of claims, the Board continued to apply the eligibility criteria in accordance with article 11 of the Rules and Regulations. In view of the limited time available and the large number of claims, the Board continued to employ sampling techniques, as provided for in article 12 (3) of the Rules and Regulations. During the four meetings covered by the present report, Board members reviewed in detail approximately 10 per cent of the claims submitted for review. This level of sampling is within the statistical parameters of reliability determined by the statistician previously consulted by the Executive Director of the Office of the Register of Damage, as indicated in the Board report of 2012. Claims that did not meet the eligibility criteria were either excluded from the Register or returned to the claimants for clarification.

14. In its review of claims during the reporting period, the Board developed and adjusted the eligibility criteria for claims, as needed and in accordance with its mandate. These decisions concerned multiple claims for livestock losses by the same claimant and lists furnished by the Ministry of Labour as proof of employment, among others.

15. Claim-intake and outreach activities in the Occupied Palestinian Territory are funded by extrabudgetary contributions. More than \$9.47 million has been donated since the establishment of the Office of the Register of Damage. Such voluntary contributions have been received from the Governments of Algeria, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belgium, Brunei Darussalam, Finland, France, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Malaysia, Malta, Morocco, Netherlands (Kingdom of the), Norway, the Philippines, Qatar, the Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Switzerland and Türkiye, as well as the European Commission, the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries Fund for International Development and the Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development. Some of these donors have donated to the Register of Damage on several occasions. During the reporting period, the Office received voluntary contributions from the Government of the Russian Federation and the Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development, for a total of \$452,416. The Board would like to express its deep appreciation to those donors for providing funding and political support to enable the implementation of the provisions of resolution [ES-10/17](#). The Board appeals once again to previous and potential donors to continue providing funding to the Office to ensure uninterrupted outreach and claim-intake activities in order to finalize its mandated work.

16. During the reporting period, the Executive Director of the Office of the Register of Damage continued to maintain constructive contacts with relevant Palestinian officials. As before, the Board would like to express its appreciation for the indispensable cooperation extended by the Palestinian National Committee for the Register of Damage and for the support provided by local governors, mayors and members of village councils on many practical aspects, without which outreach and claim intake activities could not be conducted successfully.

17. During the reporting period, the Executive Director of the Office of the Register of Damage also continued to maintain constructive contacts with relevant Israeli representatives. While implementing its mandate, the Office did not experience any problems with access or the delivery of needed materials.

18. The Board of the Register of Damage notes with satisfaction the good cooperation with United Nations agencies and offices present on the ground in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, as called for in paragraph 14 of resolution [ES-10/17](#). The Board particularly appreciates the efficient and tangible contribution provided by the United Nations Office for Project Services in the areas of logistics, procurement, and human and financial resources management in support of the Office. During the reporting period, the Office also continued to benefit from the advice and assistance of the Department of Political and Peacebuilding Affairs, including its Under-Secretary-General and the Assistant Secretary-General for the Middle East, Europe, the Americas, Asia and the Pacific.

19. The Board expresses its appreciation to the Office of the Register of Damage for its efficient support in the preparation of the four Board meetings held during the reporting period, which enabled the Board to perform its functions smoothly.

20. The Board of the Register of Damage will continue to provide periodic reports.
