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The Secretariat of the United Nations (Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights) presents its compliments to the Permanent Mission of the State of Palestine to the Office of the United Nations at Geneva, and to the State Representative, Mr. H.E. Mr. Amar Hijazi, designated in accordance with article 11, paragraph 5, of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination, and has the honour to transmit the decision taken by the Committee, on 26 August 2019, following the Permanent Mission of Palestine's request to have a meeting with the Committee during its 99th session:

“The Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination acknowledges receipt of the message of the Permanent Mission of the State of Palestine, dated 26 August 2019, in which it requests to have a meeting regarding the inter-state communication submitted by the State party against the State of Israel (ICERD-ISC-2018/3).

The Committee refers to its Note Verbale of 23 August 2019, in which it informed the Permanent Mission of the State of Palestine and the representative of the State party that the proceedings related to the interstate communication submitted by the State party under article 11 of the Convention (ICERD-ISC-2018/3) will be delayed, taking into account the events described in that Note Verbale.

Consequently, the Committee has the honour to inform the State representative and the Permanent Mission of the State of Palestine that the Committee will not take any decision regarding the inter-state communication ICERD-ISC-2018/3 during the ongoing session, and that no meeting with any of the parties involved will therefore take place in that regard.



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In accordance with article 11.5 of the Convention, the State representative will be informed in due course of the date and time when he will be invited to take part in the proceedings of the Committee, without voting rights, when the matter is considered, probably at the Committee's 100th session (27 November to 13 December 2019).

The Secretariat avails itself of the opportunity to renew to Representative of the State of Palestine the assurances of its highest consideration.

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of several loops and a final flourish.

26 August 2019