



**SPECIAL COMMUNIQUÉ ON RECENT UNLAWFUL ACTS
COMMITTED AGAINST THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN**

1. The Group of Friends in Defense of the Charter of the United Nations strongly denounces and rejects the recent escalating unlawful acts by the United States of America and Israel against the Islamic Republic of Iran, including the blatant threats to use force and their intervention in its domestic affairs.
2. The Member States of the Group of Friends in Defense of the Charter of the United Nations further denounce the U.S. and Israeli blatant incitement to the commission of terrorist acts and violence against Iranian people and government, *inter alia*, the most recent U.S. provocative rhetoric and official statement made on 13 January 2026 expressly aiming to instigate and foment violence and terrorist acts inside Iran.
3. The Group of Friends in Defense of the Charter of the United Nations, while reiterating its categorical rejection to all acts of terrorism, regardless of their motivation, wherever, whenever and by whomsoever committed, strongly condemns the horrific attacks carried out by foreign-backed terrorist elements in the Islamic Republic of Iran, and expresses its deep concern at the fact that such elements have ruthlessly killed and injured Iranian civilians, including children and law enforcement personnel, while severely destructing and damaging public and private properties.
4. The Member States of the Group of Friends in Defense of the Charter of the United Nations recall that acts, methods, and practices of terrorism, in particular, terrorist attacks carried out against the Iranian people and government by foreign-backed elements, constitute a grave violation of the purposes and principles enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations, and, in this context, reaffirm the obligation to refrain from organizing, instigating, facilitating, financing or encouraging terrorist activities against State and/or their citizens.
5. The Group of Friends in Defense of the Charter of the United Nations underlines that the ongoing and unlawful acts of the United States of America and Israel constitute flagrant violations of the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations and the fundamental principles set forth therein, in particular, the prohibition of threat or use of force against the territorial integrity and political independence of States and



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the principle of non-intervention in the internal affairs of States, as well as duties to refrain from instigating terrorism as expounded above.

6. The Member States of the Group of Friends in Defense of the Charter of the United Nations emphasize that all such illegal conducts of the United States of America and Israel should be stopped forthwith, while cautioning against any adventurism aimed at fabricating pretexts for intervention in the domestic affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran or the use of force against it, and highlighting, in this context, the responsibility of the international community as a whole, the United Nations and its Secretary-General, to unequivocally condemn the irresponsible and illegal acts of the United States of America and Israel against the Islamic Republic of Iran.
7. The Group of Friends in Defense of the Charter of the United Nations renews its unwavering solidarity with the People and Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran – a fellow and founding member of the grouping – in the midst of the ongoing hostilities and heinous attacks against its sovereignty.

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