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**Health conditions of, and assistance to, the
Arab population in the occupied Arab territories,
including Palestine**

**Draft resolution proposed by the delegations of Belgium, Egypt, Germany,
Greece, Italy, Jordan, Morocco, Norway, Russian Federation,
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland,
and United States of America**

The Forty-ninth World Health Assembly,

Mindful of the basic principle established in the WHO Constitution, which affirms that the health of all peoples is fundamental to the attainment of peace and security;

Recalling the convening of the International Peace Conference on the Middle East (Madrid, 30 October 1991) on the basis of United Nations Security Council resolutions 242 (1967) of 22 November 1967 and 338 (1973) of 22 October 1973, and the subsequent bilateral negotiations;

Expressing the hope that the peace talks between the parties concerned in the Middle East will lead to a just and comprehensive peace in the area;

Noting the signing in Washington D.C. on 13 September 1993 of the Declaration of Principles on Interim Self-Government Arrangements between the Government of Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization, the commencement of the implementation of the Declaration of Principles following the signing of the Cairo Accord on 4 May 1994, the transfer of health services to the Palestinian Authority, and the launching of the final stage of negotiations between Israel and Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) on 5 May 1996;

Emphasizing the need to accelerate the implementation of the Declaration of Principles and the subsequent Accord;

Recognizing the need for increased support and health assistance to the Palestinian population in the areas under the responsibility of the Palestinian Authority and to the Arab populations in the occupied Arab territories, including the Palestinians as well as the Syrian Arab population;

Recognizing that the Palestinian people will have to make strenuous efforts to improve their health infrastructure, and expressing satisfaction at the initiation of cooperation between the Israeli Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Health of the Palestinian Authority, emphasizing that health development is best enhanced under conditions of peace and stability;

