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Addendum

Letter dated 11 December 1995 from the Chairman of the Committee on Conferences to the President of the General Assembly

I am writing in connection with the provisions of paragraph 6 of General Assembly resolution 35/10 A of 3 November 1980, in which the Assembly decided that all proposals relating to the schedule of conferences and meetings made at sessions of the Assembly should be reviewed by the Committee on Conferences when administrative implications were being considered under the requirements of rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the Assembly.

Pursuant to that resolution and to the procedures adopted by the Committee on Conferences, members were informed that under paragraph 3 of the draft resolution contained in document A/50/L.48, the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People would undertake an expanded programme of work, which, for the biennium 1996-1997, would consist of a total of 20 events, including 8 events in 1996 and 6 events in 1997 that would be held away from New York. As the established headquarters of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People is in New York, the proposed programme of work represents a departure from section I, paragraph 4, of General Assembly resolution 40/243 of 18 December 1985, in which the Assembly stipulates that United Nations bodies shall plan to meet at their respective established headquarters.

I wish to inform you that, having carefully reviewed the case, the Committee on Conferences recommends to the General Assembly that it grant an exception to section I, paragraph 4, of resolution 40/243, thereby authorizing the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian

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People to convene the aforementioned 14 events away from that Committee's established headquarters.

(<u>Signed</u>) Fernando VARELA Chairman Committee on Conferences
