Military Judge Advocate General Brigadier General Danny Efroni Hakirya, TEL AVIV ISRAEL

Noordwijk, the Netherlands, February 2016

Dear Judge Advocate General,

Please allow me to draw your attention to the case of Palestinian parliamentarian **Khalida Jarrar** who was sentenced on 6 December to 15 months' imprisonment under a plea bargain made with the military prosecution. She was convicted of incitement to kidnap Israeli soldiers and membership of a banned organization (the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine), while 10 other charges were dropped.

I wish to express my concern that Khalida Jarrar pleaded guilty because of the flagrantly unfair military proceedings in her case, which admitted coerced testimonies incriminating her which were later recanted.

I am further concerned that her detention, the proceedings against her and her sentence appear to be punitive measures used to suppress her right to free and peaceful expression.

Thank you for your attention to this urgent matter.

I am kindly awaiting your reply.

Yours sincerely,