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Written statement* submitted by Khiam Rehabilitation Center for Victims of Torture, a non-governmental organization in special consultative status

The Secretary-General has received the following written statement which is circulated in accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31.

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* Issued as received, in the language of submission only.



Execution of The Prisoner Nasser Abu Hamid in Prison

The prisoner, Nasser Abu Hamid, was arrested by the Israeli occupation forces since April 12, 2002, and sentenced to 7 life sentences and 50 years, along with four of his brothers, on charges of resisting the occupation, which is mandated by international legitimacy.

Because of the torture and the disease, he contracted cancer, which began to devour his body moment by moment, and he lay under artificial respirators in the Ramla prison clinic, unconscious, shackled by the hands and feet, and his body no longer responded to treatments, and the Ramla prison clinic lacked the lowest therapeutic and life necessities.

Despite all the calls and reports about the seriousness of his health condition and the need to release him and transfer him to his home or abroad for treatment, the occupation authorities refused and he was fighting death under willful medical negligence, suffering from cancers in the lungs and in the brain.

The intransigence of the Israeli authorities and their refusal to release him while he was suffering from illness for a year led to his death in late 2022 in prison, like many sick prisoners, and Israel refused even to hand over his body to his family in violation of all Islamic and Christian religious laws and customs.

We hold the Israeli occupation fully responsible for the execution of the prisoner Nasser Abu Hamid after twenty years of detention, just as all governments bear the responsibility, because the international silence encourages the occupying state and contributes to the killing and oppression of Palestinian prisoners, and

they bear part of the responsibility. Statements of concern did not save Abu Hamid from being killed, nor did all the Palestinian prisoners who are being subjected today to the fiercest crackdown under Netanyahu's government.

Khiam Rehabilitation Center for Victims of Torture calls on the Human Rights Council, the International Committee of the Red Cross and the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to take firmer and more effective steps to save the sick prisoners and to investigate the crime of executing the prisoner Nasser Abu Hamid as a war crime against humanity.
