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Letter dated 7 October 2022 from the Secretary-General to the President of the General Assembly

The General Assembly, in its resolution [ES-10/17](#) of 15 December 2006, decided to establish the United Nations Register of Damage caused by the Construction of the Wall in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, and the Office of the Register of Damage.

Pursuant to the relevant provisions of resolution [ES-10/17](#) and following the departure of the previous members of the Board of the Register of Damage, I have decided to appoint, in their personal capacity, the following three international experts as members of the Board, at the D-2 level and on a when-actually-employed basis:

- Vladimir Gorayev (Russian Federation)
- Mariana Salazar (Mexico)
- Jeremy K. Sharpe (United States)

The three appointees each have a well-established international reputation and expertise in the relevant aspects of the mandate and work of the Register of Damage.

During the process of selecting members of the Board, I was also guided by the need to ensure the independence, objectivity and impartiality of the Office of the Register of Damage, in accordance with the selection criteria defined in my report ([A/ES-10/361](#)), submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution [ES-10/15](#), as well as the principles of geographical and gender diversity.

Israel and the State of Palestine were duly consulted regarding the new members of the Board and had no objections.

The Board of the Register of Damage will continue to make every effort to carry out its functions expeditiously and thoroughly, guided by its mandate, and will continue to render progress reports periodically to me for transmission to the General Assembly.

(Signed) António Guterres

