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The Security Council,

Recalling all its relevant resolutions on the situation in the Middle East,

Expressing grave concern at the escalation of violence and the deterioration of the situation, in particular the resulting heavy civilian casualties; and *emphasizing* that the Israeli and Palestinian civilian population must be protected,

Expressing grave concern at the deepening humanitarian crisis in Gaza,

Recalling that a lasting solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict can only be achieved by peaceful means,

1. *Calls* for an immediate, durable and fully respected humanitarian ceasefire;
2. *Strongly condemns* all violence and hostilities directed against civilians and all acts of terrorism;
3. *Calls* for the secure release of all hostages;
4. *Calls* for the unimpeded provision and distribution of humanitarian assistance, including of food, fuel and medical treatment, as well as creating conditions for the safe evacuation of civilians in need;
5. *Decides* to remain seized of the matter.

