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Media Advisory

The United Nations Information Service (UNIS) Vienna

invites you to a

Press Briefing

On the Urgency of Addressing the Plight of Palestinian Political Prisoners in Israeli Prisons and Detention Facilities

on

Monday 7 March at 1 p.m.

in

**Room MOE79, M-Building
Vienna International Centre (VIC)**

The meeting in Vienna organized by the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People is addressing the issue of “The urgency of addressing the plight of Palestinian political prisoners in Israeli prisons and detention facilities”. It aims to raise awareness of the plight of Palestinian political prisoners and to strengthen the support of the international community for a solution to this issue. The Meeting, among other things, will look into the current situation and conditions of imprisonment of Palestinians in Israeli prisons and detention facilities, including the situation of women and minors. It will discuss legal aspects of the arrests and detentions of Palestinians by the occupying Power. The Meeting will also consider the issue of Palestinian political prisoners in the context of the Israeli-Palestinian political process and discuss ways of strengthening the role of the wider international community, including non-governmental actors, in promoting a solution.

Speakers include:

Ambassador Abdou Salam **Diallo** (Senegal)

Chairman of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People and
Permanent Representative of Senegal to the United Nations in New York

Issa Qaraqe

The Palestinian Authority Minister for Prisoners' Affairs

Ambassador Riyadh **Mansour**

The Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations in New York,

Moderated by Sonja **Wintersberger**

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