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ITEM 5 - ILLEGAL ISRAELI ACTIONS IN OCCUPIED EAST JERUSALEM AND THE REST OF THE OCCUPIED PALESTINIAN TERRITORY – EXPLANATION OF VOTE ON DRAFT RESOLUTION A/ES-10/L.32

**STATEMENT BY H.E. AMBASSADOR CHRISTIAN WENAWESER**

PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PRINCIPALITY OF LIECHTENSTEIN TO THE UNITED NATIONS

Mr. President,

Liechtenstein has voted in favour of resolution ES-10/25, just adopted, entitled “Support for the mandate of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East”.

We note that much of this text is similar to that of resolution 78/73, adopted last year with overwhelming support of the membership, including our own. We note, furthermore, that additions to the text reflect the vastly deteriorated situation in Gaza, and the need to ensure the full implementation of the recommendations of the Colonna report, including through the necessary funding, which is essential for the effective continued operation of UNRWA with full respect for the principle of neutrality.

Liechtenstein reiterates, as the Security Council has, and as this resolution does, that “UNRWA remains the backbone of all humanitarian response in Gaza, and ... that no organization can

replace or substitute UNRWA's capacity and mandate to serve Palestine refugees and civilians in urgent need of life-saving humanitarian assistance". Our vote in favour of this resolution is a vote to support UNRWA's efforts to meet the needs of Palestinian civilians, and to meet the high standards of governance that we expect from it. To this end, we also continue to support the 'Statement of Shared Commitments on UNRWA' proposed by Kuwait, Jordan and Slovenia.

I thank you.