Jewish Leaders Appalled by UN Israel Inquiry

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Dianne Lob, Chair, William Daroff, CEO, and Malcolm Hoenlein, Vice Chair of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, issued the following statement:

"We are appalled by the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) vote to approve an open-ended Commission of Inquiry solely focused on Israel’s response to the conflict initiated by the Hamas terrorist regime  last May, also known as 'Operation Guardian of the Walls.'

The UN is not making any  effort to investigate the actions of Hamas, the internationally-designated terrorist organization, which launched over 4,000 rockets at civilian targets in Israel.

“We vehemently oppose this one-sided farce of a probe, which again demonstrates the clear anti-Israel bias in the UN body. Israel is the only member state in the history of the UN to be singled out for taking defensive military action to ensure the security of its civilian population. Indeed, throughout the history of UN actions, no other investigation received authorization to spend unlimited resources without an explicit mandate. The unprecedented UNGA vote presupposes wrongdoing, while unfairly challenging Israel’s right to self-defense in accordance with international law.

“We are grateful for the support of the Biden Administration, Hungary, the Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Nauru, Palau, and Papua New Guinea who joined with Israel to vote against this discriminatory commission. We are also disappointed that the key Western allies of Australia, Austria, Brazil, Canada, Italy, Germany, and the United Kingdom, among others, chose to abstain, rather than to oppose this immoral and destructive measure."