



Palestinian National Authority  
Mr. Ali Khashan  
Minister of Justice  
Ramallah  
Almasyon

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Dear Minister,

I acknowledge receipt on 22 January 2009 of your correspondence which refers itself to article 12, paragraph 3 of the Statute of the International Criminal Court.

Without prejudice to a judicial determination on the applicability of article 12, paragraph 3 to your correspondence, I wish to inform you that a declaration under article 12 paragraph 3 has the effect of the acceptance of jurisdiction with respect to the crimes referred to in article 5 of relevance to the situation and the application of the provisions of Part 9 and any rules thereunder, concerning States Parties, pursuant to Rule 44 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence.

Yours faithfully,

Silvana Arbia  
Registrar