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Dear Mr. Arslan,

Thank you for your letter of 17 May 2019 concerning the situation of Palestinian prisoners in Israeli jails.

The treatment of detainees is an issue that the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) has followed closely for many years. OHCHR periodic reports to the Human Rights Council pursuant to Human Rights Council Resolutions S-9/1 and S-12/1 consistently address concerns about the treatment of Palestinian detainees, including allegations of ill-treatment and torture.

OHCHR has consistently called upon Israel to uphold its obligations under international human rights and international humanitarian law, specifically with respect to detainees, and will continue to do so.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'P. Hicks'.

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