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On the attack on a mosque in the village of Al Mughayyir in the occupied West Bank

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I condemn today's desecration of a mosque in the village of Al Mughayyir in the occupied West Bank. The actions of Israeli extremists are highly provocative and threatening. I note the condemnation of this attack by the Israeli government and stress the need for forceful action against this and other like attacks. Consistent with its obligations under international law as the occupying power, the Israeli government must ensure the accountability of those responsible and protect the human rights of Palestinians and their property, including religious sites.

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