



**Statement by the United Nations Special Coordinator for the Middle East Peace Process,
Mr. Nickolay Mladenov, on the Dawabsha family case**

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“Four months have passed since the arson attack against the Dawabsha family in the village of Duma in the occupied West Bank on 31 July. The brutal killing of toddler Ali, and his parents Reham and Sa’ad was a tragedy that has angered Palestinians and shocked Israelis.

Today, the only surviving member of the family -- four year-old Ahmed, is still being treated for his wounds at the Sheba Medical Center.

The incident, which was widely condemned by leaders on all sides, regrettably, has still not been resolved. I am concerned by the slow progress and call on the Israeli authorities to move swiftly in bringing the perpetrators of this terrible crime to justice.

Amidst the current escalation of violence, it is essential that all firmly and consistently reject terrorism and act decisively to stop hatred and incitement.”

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