



**Statement by UN Special Coordinator Mladenov on the situation in Gaza**

**Jerusalem, 20 April 2018**

" I'm following with concern the situation along the Gaza fence. This is the fourth consecutive Friday where we are witnessing Palestinian casualties. I reiterate that Israeli security forces must calibrate the use of force and only employ lethal force as a last resort. I also reiterate my call on Palestinians to avoid friction at the Gaza fence."

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