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**Follow-up report on the environmental situation in the
Gaza Strip**

Report of the Executive Director

1. The present report is being submitted pursuant to Governing Council decision 25/12 of 20 February 2009, which, among other things, requested the Executive Director to submit to the Governing Council/Global Ministerial Environment Forum at its eleventh special session, in 2010, a follow-up report on the findings, results and recommendations of a mission of environmental experts sent to the Gaza Strip to assess the natural and environmental impacts on the Gaza Strip caused by the escalation of violence and hostilities.
2. Given environmental and space considerations, the follow-up report has been made available in English only at the following link: http://www.unep.org/PDF/dmb/UNEP_Gaza_EA.pdf. A limited number of hard copies have also been made available.
3. The Governing Council may wish to consider the adoption of a decision along the lines suggested below:

The Governing Council,

Recalling decision GCSS.VII/7 of 15 February 2002 on the environmental situation in the occupied Palestinian territories and decision 25/12 of 20 February 2009 on the environmental situation in the Gaza Strip,

Having considered the report of the Executive Director on the environmental situation in the Gaza Strip,

Takes note of the report.

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