

Excellencies, Ladies and Gentlemen,

In 2015, we gathered for the historic adoption of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, the most ambitious, transformative plan of action for building a prosperous, equitable, and sustainable world. More importantly, this Agenda is centered on human dignity and shared prosperity in a just world where no one is left behind.

Unfortunately, recent years have seen a surge in economic, political, climate, and humanitarian crises deepening marginalization of vulnerable communities. If not addressed, these crises will undermine our multilateral systems and put us farther away from realizing the goals set in the 2030 Agenda.

With the Pact of the Future, we have an opportunity to reverse this dangerous trajectory by rebuilding trust in international institutions and paving the way for a future of peace, justice, and sustainable future for all.

Given the immense challenges we face, we must swiftly come together as governments, international development institutions, private sector, and civil society to find innovative solutions and undertake urgent, coordinated actions, in line with international law, to uphold shared responsibilities towards our peoples and planet.

Mr. President, Excellencies,

In the State of Palestine, while striving to play a positive role in response to global challenges, we are regrettably further burdened by Israel's illegal occupation and aggressions in the Gaza Strip and West Bank, including East Jerusalem. For over 76 years, our people have been forced to endure multiple manmade catastrophes that have directly undermined our efforts to achieve justice, peace, and prosperity.

As I speak before you, our people in Gaza are enduring one of the darkest chapters in modern history. For nearly a year now, Israel's genocidal war has caused unprecedented loss and suffering and humanitarian catastrophe. At the same time, our people in the West Bank, including East Jerusalem, continue to face systematic threats driven by the escalating settlers' violence, military raids, movement restrictions, and financial siege withholding of Palestinian tax revenues.

All of this, perpetrated in breach of the Charter and international law, threatens the future of the Palestinian people.

The international community	y must act urgent	ly to stop this Israe	eli aggression on	our people and