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**Legal Consequences of the Construction of a Wall
in the Occupied Palestinian Territory**

Request for advisory opinion

**The Court authorizes the Organisation of the Islamic Conference
to participate in the proceedings**

THE HAGUE, 22 January 2004. The International Court of Justice, the principal judicial organ of the United Nations, has authorized the Organisation of the Islamic Conference, at its request, to participate in the proceedings in the case concerning Legal Consequences of the Construction of a Wall in the Occupied Palestinian Territory (request for advisory opinion).

By a letter dated 14 January 2004, the General Secretariat of the Organisation of the Islamic Conference requested that the Organisation be authorized to furnish information on the question submitted to the Court by the United Nations General Assembly.

By a letter dated 19 January 2004, the Registrar of the Court informed the General Secretariat of the Organisation that the Court had decided, pursuant to Article 66 of its Statute, that the Organisation was likely to be able to furnish information on the question before the Court. The Organisation has therefore been authorized to submit to the Court a written statement within the time-limit of 30 January 2004 and to participate in the oral proceedings opening on 23 February 2004 (see Press Release 2003/44).

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