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Mr Chairperson,

On behalf of the Director-General, I wish to thank you for your letter of 2 April last, by which you draw UNESCO's attention to the fact that a Museum of Tolerance is being constructed on the medieval Muslim cemetery of Mamilla, in Jerusalem.

The Director-General has taken note, with the utmost attention, of the information you transmitted regarding this matter. You may recall that this issue has been raised on several occasions over the past years, and that UNESCO has made known immediately its deep concern on this subject to the Permanent Delegation of Israel to UNESCO, requesting that these concerns be transmitted to the relevant Israeli authorities.

Please rest assured that UNESCO will continue closely to follow all developments linked to this subject and I stand ready to discuss this matter with you at a convenient time.

Yours sincerely,

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