

RESOLUTION: GB1106-4

GILAD SHALIT

THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE WORLD JEWISH CONGRESS meeting in Jerusalem on 19-21 June 2011

EXPRESSES its deep disgust at the treatment by Hamas of kidnapped Israeli soldier Gilad Shalit, who has been held incommunicado for five years and, in violation of the most fundamental rules of international humanitarian law, has been denied all contact with his family (including letters), the Red Cross and other international humanitarian organizations;

ACKNOWLEDGES with appreciation the efforts of many parties around the world, to secure the release of Gilad Shalit;

DEMANDS that Hamas immediately and unconditionally release Gilad Shalit in accordance with its customary international law responsibilities including those articulated in the Third Geneva Convention, outlawing the taking of hostages;

CALLS ON all international organizations and governments having contacts within the Gaza Strip, to continue to press for his immediate and unconditional release.