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To the Faculty and Staff of Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville

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MEMO TO: The University Community
FROM: John S. Rendleman
SUBJECT: UN Flag

In view of the irresponsible and irrational action of the United Nations General Assembly in recent days crudely identifying Zionism with racism, I am hereby directing that the United Nations Flag on this campus be flown at half-staff for the week of November 16-22, 1975. Let it be understood that this action is taken more in mourning for the sad compromise of the ideals of that body rather than in protest. This exercise of raw geopolitical power is a serious setback to the ideals of democratic freedom and civil decency on which our hopes for world peace are vested. On the same staff, for the period of this week, I further direct that the Bicentennial Flag be flown at the top of the staff, to symbolize the ideals which made this nation commit itself to world unity and the free and open discussion of issues that can lead to peace and freedom for all nations.