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Supplemental information received by the  
Secretary-General

1. The information here presented covers the period since my last oral report to the Security Council at its 1357th meeting which started late in the evening of 11 June.
2. General Bull has reported the situation of the nine observer teams on the Israel side operated from Tiberias Control Centre at 0900 GMT on 12 June as follows:
  - "i. Team Gold at Banias-Mount Hermon area, including main road towards Lebanon.
  - "ii. Team Red at Massadah area and Nabyiafoura area, approximately MR 222-294.
  - "iii. Team Black up the road to Roumahye, approximately MR 231-276, and main road Kuneitra-Damascus up to four to five kilometres east of Kuneitra and main road north to Boqaata.
  - "iv. Team White, area Kodna, approximately MR 233-268.
  - "v. Team Brown at Rafid area.
  - "vi. Team Green at Kafir-el-Ma, approximately MR 249-250 and Sqoufiye area.
  - "vii. Team Yellow, area of Fiq and south-east to Yarmouk Valley.
  - "viii. Team at Kuneitra for communications, liaison and control (Kuneitra Control Centre).
  - "ix. Officer in charge (OIC) mobile liaison and control.

"Present plan is for teams to remain indefinitely and at least overnight 12/13 June."

3. General Bull will be forwarding details concerning the teams on the Syrian side as soon as possible.

4. At last night's meeting of the Security Council, I noted that the key point in connexion with the observance of the cease-fire was the question of whether Israel troops were in Rafid and/or its environs before 1630 hours GMT on 10 June or whether they had advanced to the key sector after the time set for it to go into effect. I asked General Bull whether, despite the fact that United Nations observers were not

in that area until the morning of 11 June, it might be possible by some means to determine the location of Israel forward lines at 1630 hours GMT on 10 June and particularly whether Israel troops were in Rafid or had by-passed it at that time.

5. General Bull had replied to my query that he had no information as to whether Israel troops were in Rafid or had by-passed it at 1630 hours GMT on 10 June. General Bull recalls that on 10 June the Chairman of ISMAC received a message from the senior Syrian delegate at 1953 hours GMT to the effect that Israel paratroops had dropped at Tel, approximately 30 kilometres east of Lake Tiberias and at Rafid, approximately 20 kilometres south south-east of Kuneitra, from helicopters. I mentioned this message in my eighth oral report to the Security Council on the evening of 10 June (Press Release SC/2917). General Bull also notes that his observers reported at 1005 hours GMT on 11 June that a Syrian Liaison Officer had been taken prisoner by the Israel forces at checkpoint Echo, which is in the immediate vicinity of Rafid, as mentioned in paragraph 4 of S/7930/Add.3.

6. General Bull tells me that in relation to the effort to take United Nations observers into Rafid area one observer team from Damascus is now in the general area of Rafid but is out of communication contact with him. Two additional teams are going out from Damascus to the Rafid area and were due to arrive at 0930 hours GMT on 12 June. From Tiberias two teams are now in Kuneitra and their deployment in various forward areas, including the Rafid area, is to be arranged in Kuneitra. There is no information at present on the possible arrival in the Rafid area of any observer team on the Israel side.

7. Just after the Security Council had adjourned in the small hours of this morning, General Bull communicated to me the following message from Mr. Tekoah of the Israel Foreign Office:

"Now that it is daylight, we request that observer teams should start immediately with mapping the positions of the forces on the ground so that the cease-fire can be effectively ensured along the entire front. The Government of Israel would like to see the cease-fire strictly complied with by the parties and shall extend co-operation to you in the work to that end. We would appreciate if you would inform us that the Syrian Government is doing the same thing. We would appreciate it if you would inform the Secretary-General immediately."

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8. General Bull comments on Mr. Tekoah's message that the mapping of the positions of the forces on the ground has been the first and highest priority task for observers and it is indeed their first objective. General Bull notes that apart from the many difficulties encountered in the field, achievement of this first objective will be impossible without adequate communications between him and his observers. He emphasized that adequate communications can only be ensured when General Bull is again in his Headquarters in Government house and can re-establish communication from that locality and not from any other locality in the Israel-Syria area.

9. General Bull further comments that the necessity of mapping positions of the forces was first referred to by him at his meeting with General Dayan on 10 June, and it was also implicit in the guidance given by him to the Chairman of the ISMAC. He will also endeavour to obtain similar assurances from the Syrian authorities so that the mapping of the positions of the forces can start as soon as possible.

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