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Further report on the status of the cease-fire  
in the Middle East

The following information has been received from the Acting Chief of Staff of UNTSO with regard to the situation in the Israel-Lebanon sector on 4 February 1974:

1. Reports on ground activity:

(a) OP Ras: 1/ Between 0505 2/ and 1513 Israel forces personnel, vehicles and bulldozer reoccupied position at AMR 1907-2749 3/ north of border pillar 19.

(b) OP Mar: Between 0516 and 1520 Israel forces personnel and vehicle reoccupied position at AMR 2004-2904 west of border pillar 33.

(c) OP Hin: Between 0525 and 1413 Israel forces personnel and vehicle reoccupied position at AMR 1799-2788 near border pillar 11.

2. Reports on air activity:

OP Khiam: Between 0721 and 0727 and between 1029 and 1034 two Israel forces jet aircraft, flying south to north, then west, then turning south-west, crossed the armistice demarcation line east of OP and recrossed the armistice demarcation line south-west of OP (confirmed by OP Ras).

3. Complaints by the parties:

Complaints have been received from Lebanon alleging that:

On 3 February:

(a) Between 0755 and 0800 two Israel forces jet aircraft overflew the Lebanese regions of El Majidiye (AMR 2117-2987), Marjayoun (AMR 2056-3074), Nabatiye (AMR 1958-3090) and Ett Taibe (AMR 1988-2977).

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1/ The locations of the observation posts are given in document S/11057.

2/ All times GMT.

3/ AMR - approximate map reference.

(b) Between 0945 and 0955 an Israel forces light aircraft overflew the Lebanese regions of El Khiam (AMR 2075-3035) and Marjayoun.

(c) Between 1430 and 1501 four Israel forces jet aircraft overflew the Lebanese regions of Marjayoun, El Barouk (40 kilometres north-north-east of Marjayoun), Saida, Nabatiye and Ett Taibe.

On 4 February:

(d) Between 0720 and 0725 two Israel forces jet aircraft overflew the Lebanese regions of El Khiam, Nabatiye and Ett Taibe.

(e) Between 1030 and 1035 two Israel forces jet aircraft overflew the Lebanese regions of El Khiam Rachaiya, El Ouadi (AMR 2285-3220), Jezzine (24 kilometres north-north-west of OP Khiam), Saida, Nabatiye and Bent Jbail (AMR 1908-2805).

Complaint (a) (see S/11057/Add.289, para. 2) and complaint (d) (see paragraph 2 of this document) were confirmed by United Nations observation. Complaint (e) was confirmed for that portion within observation range of OP Khiam (see paragraph 2 above). Complaints (b) and (c) were not confirmed by United Nations observation.

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