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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 regarding the situation in the Israel-Syria sector on 13 March 1974:

1. Reports on ground activity:

(a) Patrol 38 (AMR 2395-3040) 1/ and Patrol 41 (AMR 2367-3026): Between 0720 2/ and 0905 artillery fire by Syrian forces. Between 0720 and 0847 mortar fire by Syrian forces. Between 0740 and 0800 artillery fire by Israel forces.

(b) Patrol 31 (AMR 2449-2982) and Patrol 42 (AMR 2431-2961): Between 0738 and 0750 and between 0912 and 0920 artillery fire by Israel forces. Between 0745 and 0750 tank fire by Israel forces. Between 0756 and 1015 artillery fire by Syrian forces. Between 0758 and 0817 tank fire by Syrian forces. Between 0815 and 0858 mortar fire by Syrian forces.

(c) OP Five (AMR 2290-2787), Patrol 33 (AMR 2444-2814), Patrol 37 (AMR 2320-2790) and Patrol 43 (AMR 2398-2816): Between 0740 and 0745 artillery fire by Israel forces. Between 1004 and 1046 artillery and mortar fire by Israel forces. Between 0906 and 1022 and between 1037 and 1057 artillery fire by Syrian forces.

(d) Patrol 34 (AMR 2534-2937), Patrol 35 (AMR 2532-2852) and Patrol 44 (AMR 2519-2911): Between 0843 and 1021 and between 1040 and 1101 artillery fire by Syrian forces. Between 0918 and 0928 tank fire by Syrian forces. Between 1003 and 1036 artillery fire by Israel forces.

2. Complaints by the parties:

Complaints have been received from Israel alleging that on 12 March:

(a) At 0615 Syrian forces fired anti-tank missiles north-east of Kafer Nassej (AMR 2475-2842).

1/ AMR - approximate map reference.

2/ All times GMT.

(b) At 1345 and 1540 Syrian forces opened artillery fire north-east of Kafer Nassej.

(c) At 1350 and 1400 Syrian forces opened artillery fire south of Kafer Nassej.

(d) At 1530 and 1600 Syrian forces opened artillery fire east of Mazraat Beit Jain (AMR 2358-3015).

(e) At 1600 Syrian forces opened artillery fire on Tell Ech Chams (AMR 2430-2950).

(f) At 1630 Syrian forces opened heavy artillery fire north-east of Tell Ech Chams.

Complaints (b) (see S/11057/Add.356, para. 2 (a)), (d) (see S/11057/Add.356, para. 2 (d)), and (e) (see S/11057/Add.356, para. 2 (e)) were confirmed by United Nations observation. Complaints (a), (c) and (f) were not confirmed.
