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SPECIAL REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL ON THE UNITED NATIONS INTERIM FORCE IN LEBANON

## Addendum

- 1. On 11 April 1980 the Secretary-General issued a special report on the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (S/13888). Thereafter, through statements made to the Security Council on 13 and 14 April, the Secretary-General informed the Council of developments as of those dates (S/PV.2212 and 2213).
- 2. Although firing in the area has been greatly reduced, the situation remains tense. Threats and acts of harassment by the <u>de facto</u> forces against UNIFIL and UNTSO observers in the observation posts have continued.
- 3. As of the time of reporting, the <u>de facto</u> forces have reopened the coastal road, while another checkpoint one kilometre from UNIFIL headquarters has been removed. Roads in the enclave are still closed to UNIFIL. In consequence, the relief and resupply of United Nations observation posts in the enclave has remained impossible. Intensive efforts are being made to secure the permanent lifting of checkpoints and the opening of the roads for urgent resupply of the observation posts in the enclave.
- 4. It should be noted that these observation posts are normally relieved on a weekly basis and maintain a 14-day supply of water and a 21-day supply of food. OPs HIN and RAS have not been relieved since 19 March, while OPs MAR and KHIAM have not been relieved since 3 April. No fresh water has been provided to OPs HIN and RAS since 4 April and to OPs MAR and KHIAM since 2 April; supplies are therefore perilously low.
- 5. The difficulties of UNIFIL are compounded by the damage done to the helicopters as a result of the shelling of Naqoura on 12 April. As indicated earlier, UNIFIL headquarters has been deprived of its mobility, capacity for emergency resupply, as well as its medical evacuation capacity. Urgent efforts are being made to replace the damaged helicopters.
- 6. In these circumstances, the Secretary-General would urge all Governments in a position to help to continue their best efforts to ensure that these very difficult conditions are speedily brought to an end, so that UNIFIL can effectively discharge the responsibilities entrusted to it by the Security Council.