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Letter dated 22 July 1976 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of  
the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations addressed to  
the Secretary-General

Upon instructions from my Government, I have the honour to draw your attention to the following acts committed by Israel on 21 June 1976, in violation of the Agreement on Disengagement between Israeli and Syrian Forces signed at Geneva on 31 May 1974:

On 21 June 1976 at approximately 1510 local time, the Israeli military position situated in the close vicinity of OP 52 at approximately M.R. 2304-2738 (AS) opened B.M.G. fire towards Syrian civilians conducting their daily work in the fields of the village Breiqa. A few minutes later, the same Israeli position opened fire across B line aiming again at the Syrian civilians working in the area of PO 68 at approximately M.R. 2315-2764 causing forage grass fire and damages to the crops.

The head of the Syrian party to the Mixed Armistice Commission has presented to the Commander of UNDOF complaints concerning all the aforementioned violations and has placed a strong protest, requesting necessary measures to be taken to stop the repetition of such violations.

These violations by Israel of the spirit and text of the disengagement agreement once again illustrate in the most clear terms the negative and careless attitude taken by it consistently with regard to all international commitments and obligations, even to those agreements where Israel is a signatory. Undoubtedly, Israel's persistence in committing such acts is mainly contributing to the rising atmosphere of tension in the area.

I should be grateful if the text of this letter is circulated as an official document of the General Assembly under item 28 of the preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the thirty-first regular session and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Zakaria SIBAHI  
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