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Note verbale dated 9 July 1981 from the Permanent Representative
of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations addressed to
the Secretary-General

The Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations presents his compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and, further to his note dated 24 June 1981 (A/36/345-S/14569), has the honour to bring to His Excellency's attention the attached annex containing substantial points of the national paper adopted and circulated by 30 prominent and leading representatives of the Syrian citizens of the Israeli-occupied Syrian Arab Golan Heights.

The Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations requests His Excellency kindly to circulate the present note and annex as an official document of the General Assembly, under item 33 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

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A N N E X

THE NATIONAL PAPER OF THE SYRIAN CITIZENS OF THE OCCUPIED SYRIAN HEIGHTS

We, the Syrian citizens of the occupied Syrian (Golan) Heights, deem it our duty to inform world public opinion, as well as all parties whether official or popular, and in particular the United Nations Organization, its agencies, and the Israeli public, of our unswerving and final stand vis-a-vis the Israeli occupation and its persistent efforts to erase our national identity through various ways and means aiming at incorporating us into its own entity.

It is, therefore, our historic responsibility towards our people and our future generations to declare that we have adopted the following:-

1. The occupied Golan Heights is an integral part of the Syrian Arab Republic.
2. Our Syrian identity is an inseparable part of our existence. It is an everlasting heritage passed on from father to son.
3. Our land is a sacred heritage of our Syrian Arab society. Each and every person who may be tempted to sell, cede or yield a single inch of it to the Israeli occupiers will be committing a grave crime against the society and an act of treason which cannot be pardoned.
4. We shall not recognize the validity of any decision taken by Israel to incorporate us into the Israeli entity. We categorically reject all decisions of the Israeli Government aiming at depriving us of our Syrian Arab personality.
5. We do not recognize any legitimacy to the local and sectarian councils which have been imposed on us by the Israeli Military Governor and who, consequently, receive his directives. These councils cannot under any circumstances represent us.
6. Only those who reject the (Israeli) occupation through their tangible stands and who belong to all walks of our society, are the ones qualified and entitled to express the feelings and the interests of their compatriots.
7. Our irrevocable decision is: anyone who may acquire Israeli nationality or may not abide by the provisions of this National Paper shall be boycotted and repudiated from our society, and excluded from our national, religious and social life until and unless he repents.

Date: March 25, 1981

Signed by: (30 Leading representatives
of the Syrian population in the
occupied Syrian Golan Heights)
