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Letter dated 6 January 1975 from the Acting Permanent Representative
of Israel to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

On instructions of my Government and further to my letter addressed to you on 2 January 1975 (A/9995-S/11589), I have the honour to draw your attention once more to the fact that the PLO terror organizations, which are permitted by the Government of Lebanon to maintain their virtually independent murder régime on Lebanese territory, continue their attacks from Lebanon against Israel.

On 3 January 1975, at about 0740 hours local time, bazooka and small-arms fire was opened from Lebanese territory against an Israeli patrol in the Har Dov area, killing an Israel Defence Force sergeant and wounding four soldiers.

On the same day, at about 0930 hours local time, an Israeli military vehicle hit a land mine, which had been planted by PLO terrorists on a road in the Har Dov area, and three soldiers were wounded.

Later on the same morning of 3 January 1975, a number of artillery shells were fired from across the Lebanese border on the Abassiya area, about four kilometres north of Kibbutz Dafna.

On 5 January 1975, PLO agents carried out a number of murder attempts against the civilian population of Jerusalem, causing injuries to a man of 70 and a child of nine years of age.

Wafa, the news agency of the murder organizations, proudly announced on the same day in Beirut that it was the PLO which had carried out these attempts and that their intention was to kill and injure as many citizens of Jerusalem as possible.

In the light of these facts and in view of the continuing murder campaign directed by the PLO from Lebanon against Israel, the letter of 4 January 1975 addressed by the Chargé d'Affaires, a.i., of Lebanon to the President of the

Security Council (S/11590) must be seen for what it is, namely another transparent attempt by the Government of Lebanon to mislead everybody concerned and conceal the truth.

The Government of Lebanon cannot escape responsibility for all the consequences arising from the fact that it permits the existence and the activities of a murder régime on its soil, which places an obligation on Israel to take continuous defensive actions.

I have the honour to request that this letter be circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 109, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Jacob DORON
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to the United Nations
