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LETTER DATED 9 AUGUST 1982 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF JORDAN TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to enclose herewith the communication from the Permanent Observer of the Palestine Liberation Organization addressed to Your Excellency, on Israel's intensification of military operations against the Lebanese and Palestinian peoples in and around Beirut.

I request, Excellency, that this letter and the enclosed letter from the Permanent Observer of the Palestine Liberation Organization be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

> (<u>Signed</u>) Hazem NUSEIBEH Ambassador Permanent Representative

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Annex

Letter dated 9 August 1982 from the Permanent Observer of the Palestine Liberation Organization to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have been requested by Yasser Arafat, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organization, to inform you of the latest Israeli aggression perpetrated against the peoples of Lebanon and the Palestinian people.

Since last night, the Israelis have been escalating their military operations, bombarding Beirut from air, land and sea. The shelling included the Ouzai axis, the airport axis, Burj Al-Barajneh, the museum axis, Mraije, Sabra, Shatila and Ramlet Al-Baida, as well as Verdun, Corniche Al-Mazraa and the Kuwaiti Embassy and Chinese Embassy areas.

The bombardment of all these areas is concentrated and intensive. This followed a statement by an Israeli official stating that Israel will not stop military action or the intensification of pressure on Beirut.

At 1900 hours, Beirut local time, we were informed that for the preceding four hours, squadrons of Israeli warplanes had continuously bombarded the areas of the southern districts of Beirut, including Sabra, Shatila, Burj Al-Barajneh, Mar Elias refugee camps, Fakhani, Mazraa, Ramlet Al-Baida and the airport road. Different sectors of Beirut were also shelled from the land and sea.

We inform you, Sir, of these latest developments and urge your serious consideration.

(<u>Signed</u>) Zuhdi Labib TERZI Permanent Observer