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~~UN/CA COLLECTION~~REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL IN PURSUANCE OF
SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 516 (1982)

1. This report is submitted in pursuance of Security Council resolution 516 (1982), unanimously adopted by the Security Council on 1 August 1982 at 1325 hours New York time. In this resolution, the Security Council confirmed its resolutions 508 (1982), 509 (1982), 511 (1982), 512 (1982), 513 (1982) and 515 (1982) and demanded an immediate cease-fire and cessation of all military activities within Lebanon and across the Lebanese/Israeli border, authorised the Secretary-General to deploy immediately, on the request of the Government of Lebanon, United Nations Observers to monitor the situation in and around Beirut, and requested the Secretary-General to report back to the Council on compliance with the resolution as soon as possible and not later than four hours from the time of its adoption.
2. Following the adoption of the resolution, the Permanent Representative of Lebanon sent a letter to the Secretary-General in which he requested on behalf of his Government the stationing of United Nations Observers in the Beirut area to ensure that the cease-fire was fully observed by all concerned (S/15333).
3. Upon receipt of the request of the Lebanese Government, the Secretary-General instructed the Chief of Staff of the United Nations Truce Supervision Organization (UNTSO), Lt. General Emmanuel A. Erskine, to make the necessary arrangements, in consultation with the parties concerned, for the immediate deployment of United Nations Observers in and around Beirut in accordance with Security Council resolution 516 (1982). As the Security Council is aware, the deployment of United Nations Observers as called for by the Council will be possible only with the co-operation of all the parties and if a cease-fire is effectively achieved.
4. On the afternoon of 1 August, General Erskine met with senior officials of the Foreign Ministry of Israel in Jerusalem concerning the implementation of Security Council resolution 516 (1982). The officials informed the UNTSO Chief of Staff that this was a very important matter which had to be brought before the Israeli Cabinet. General Erskine would be advised as soon as the Cabinet had discussed this question. The officials added that, from their information, the situation in Beirut had improved as the cease-fire seemed to have taken effect.

5. At the same time, on instructions from General Erskine, the Chairman of the Israel-Lebanon Mixed Armistice Commission (ILMAC) met with the Commander of the Lebanese Army, General Khoury. The latter conveyed to the UNTSO Chief of Staff the assurance that the Lebanese Army was ready to provide all facilities and to assist the United Nations Observers in the implementation of Security Council resolution 516 (1982).

6. The Chairman of ILMAC further reported that he was making efforts to meet with Chairman Arafat, but that he was encountering difficulties in reaching him. In the meantime, the Permanent Observer of the Palestine Liberation Organization to the United Nations, Mr. Terzi, conveyed to the Secretary-General a message from Chairman Arafat informing the Secretary-General of the PLO's acceptance of the text of the resolution. The message added that the PLO would do its utmost to co-operate with United Nations Observers in accordance with paragraph 2 of the resolution.

7. The Chairman of ILMAC, who is in Beirut, has reported that from his preliminary observations on the ground, the cease-fire appeared to be holding as of 2400 hours local time, 1 August 1982.

8. General Erskine is pursuing actively his efforts to give speedy effect to the Security Council resolution. The Secretary-General will of course keep the Council currently informed of further developments.
