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REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL ON THE
SITUATION IN THE BEIRUT AREAAddendum

The last report of the Secretary-General on the situation in the Beirut area (S/15382/Add.1) contains an account of developments in the area up to the afternoon of 15 September 1982. The following developments have been reported by the United Nations observers of the Observer Group Beirut (OGB) for the period 1600 hrs GMT, 15 September, to 1000 hrs GMT, 17 September. All these developments took place in West Beirut.

(a) There were firings by machine gun and small arms from 1600 to 1900 hrs GMT on 15 September and from midnight to 0400 hrs GMT on 16 September in the area of the Forêt des Pins and along the Corniche Mazraa.

(b) From 0600 to 1000 hrs GMT on 16 September many sporadic shootings involving tanks, rocket-propelled grenades, heavy machine guns and small arms were reported in the following areas: the airport roundabout, the Cité Sportive, the Arab University, the UNESCO office, Rue de Verdun and the Central Bank in the Hamra area.

(c) Between 1200 and 1600 hrs GMT, there was sporadic to intense firing by tanks, mortars, heavy machine guns and small arms in the following areas: the Bir Hassan roundabout, the airport roundabout, the Chatila roundabout, the Arab University, the western port area, the American Embassy, the Hotel Riviera, the Hôtel Méditerranée, the Hotel Bristol, the Jardin Public and Place Rhia Solh.

(d) Between 1600 and 2200 hrs GMT, several heavy explosions and sporadic firing were reported in the vicinity of Sabra Camp and the Cité Sportive areas. Heavy explosions, intense tank and small arms fire were also observed in the areas of Mustahfa Babir Hospital, Carlton Hotel and Moslem School. Since that time, no shooting has been observed by OGB.

(e) As of 17 September, the area north of a line running from the Hôtel Méditerranée to the Jardin Public to the Ring Crossing was reported to be under full control of the Israel Defence Forces (IDF). South of that line, IDF mechanized infantry and armour concentrations were observed at the following points: the ILMAC roundabout, the Cité Sportive, the Sultan Ibrahim crossroad, the northern part of Ouzai on the coastal road, the crossroad 400 metres south of the Hôtel Beau Rivage, Al Janah, the Bir Hassan area, the Coral Beach area and the airport area.
