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LETTER DATED 21 APRIL 1982 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE  
OF LEBANON TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT  
OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

On instructions from my Government, and pursuant to my letter dated 10 April 1982 (S/14962), I have the honor to draw your attention to the serious breach of the peace by Israel today.

The Israeli air force launched three extensive attacks on the coastal area south of Beirut and north-east of Sidon. Various installations at Jiyeh, Saadiyat, Damour, Na'meh, Aramoun, Khaldé, and Mazboud were raided. At the moment of the writing of this letter, the air raid was still in progress. Preliminary reports speak of heavy casualties and severe damage to civilian property.

In view of the above, I am instructed by my Government to request urgent consultations of the Council, in order to determine what appropriate measures could be taken immediately to avoid further escalation and deterioration of the situation.

I have the honor to request that this letter be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Ghassan TUENI  
Ambassador  
Permanent Representative

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