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Identical letters dated 4 February 2021 from the Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

On instructions from my Government, I should like to convey to you the following information.

On Wednesday, 3 February 2021, at 2242 hours, the Israeli enemy authorities once again attacked the territory of the Syrian Arab Republic launching successive rocket bursts from the occupied Syrian Golan towards the southern zone.

Israel's ongoing grave violations amount to systematic policies that are quite shamelessly acknowledged and justified on spurious security grounds that fool no one. The Syrian Arab Republic wishes to reiterate, however, that the Zionist enemy will never be able to justify its customary terrorist conduct on such grounds. Israel continues to occupy our land without the United Nations or the international community taking any action to hold it accountable for its repeated, savage crimes against our people in the Golan, Palestine and the other Arab territories that have been occupied in contravention of international resolutions, the Charter of the United Nations, international law and human rights instruments.

The Syrian Arab Republic will persist, resolutely and confidently, with its firm and principled approach to combating terrorism, including the terrorism backed by Israel and its allies. Today more than ever before, its Army is determined to staunchly combat the remnants of terrorist organizations throughout Syria, and to prevent them from fulfilling their goal of sowing terrorism across the region and targeting innocent civilians. The Israeli acts of aggression, which have been applauded by those organizations and their backers, will not succeed in intimidating or stopping the Syrian people from achieving its goals. They will only make it more steadfast and more confident that it will inevitably prevail.

The Syrian Arab Republic once again calls upon the Security Council to fulfil its responsibilities under the Charter of the United Nations, the most significant of which is the maintenance of international peace and security, and take resolute and immediate action in order to prevent the recurrence of Israeli acts of aggression and terrorism, compel Israel to respect Security Council resolutions concerning the Disengagement of Forces Agreement and hold Israel accountable for its acts of terrorism and crimes against the Syrian people. Such conduct is in flagrant violation of the Charter, international law, Security Council resolutions [242 \(1967\)](#), [338 \(1973\)](#), [350 \(1974\)](#) and [497 \(1981\)](#), and all international instruments and resolutions concerning counter-terrorism.



I should be grateful if the present letter could be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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