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Note verbale dated 14 June 1982 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

The Permanent Representative of Iraq, current chairman of the Organization of the Islamic Conference, presents his compliments to His Excellency the Secretary-General of the United Nations and has the honour to transmit to him the communiqué issued on 11 June 1982 after an emergency meeting of the members of the Organization of the Islamic Conference at the United Nations on the question of the Israeli aggression against Lebanon.

It would be appreciated if the enclosed communique could be circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under item 34 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

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ANNEX

Communiqué issued on 11 June 1982 by the Organization of the Islamic Conference

In the name of Allah, the Compassionate and Merciful

The members of the Organization of the Islamic Conference met in an emergency meeting at the United Nations Headquarters on 11 June 1982 to consider the Israeli aggression against Lebanon. The Islamic Group heard statements on the grave situation in Lebanon and strongly condemned Israel for its act of aggression against Lebanon's sovereignty and territorial integrity and political independence in violation of the international law and the Charter of the United Nations.

The Islamic Group further condemned Israel for its declared aim and attempt at eliminating the Palestinian people as an entity and its sole legitimate representative, the Palestine Liberation Organization.

The Islamic Group also condemned Israel's non-compliance with Security Council resolution 509 (1982) which demands that Israel withdraw all its military forces forthwith and unconditionally to the internationally recognized boundaries of Lebanon and demands that all parties observe strictly the terms of paragraph 1 of resolution 508 (1982). The Islamic Group welcomed the positive response from the Government of Lebanon and from the Palestine Liberation Organization.

The Islamic Group further condemned Israel for its unwarranted and unjustified attacks upon members of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon, in flagrant violation of Security Council resolutions 425 (1978) and 426 (1978) and subsequent relevant resolutions.

The Islamic Group called once again for the strict respect of Lebanon's sovereignty, territorial integrity, unity and political independence within its internationally recognized boundaries.

The Islamic Group also expressed solidarity with the Government and people of Lebanon and supported the efforts of the constitutional authorities to re-establish peace and security in Lebanon and their right to reactivate the armistice agreement of 1949.

The Islamic Group expressed its total solidarity with and support for the heroic resistance of the Palestinian, the Lebanese and the Syrian people against Israeli aggression.

The Islamic Group strongly urged the international community, in particular those States which are in a position to do so, to carry out their responsibilities and exert pressure on Israel to make it comply with Security Council resolution 509 (1982) without delay.

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The Islamic Group expressed its profound grief at the tragic loss of life and extensive damage to property and condemned Israel for deliberately obstructing the humanitarian relief efforts by the Red Cross, Red Crescent, United Nations and other international agencies.

The Islamic Group urged the Security Council to assume its responsibilities under the Charter of the United Nations and to take appropriate measures to halt the Israeli aggression and to ensure the simultaneous cessation of hostilities and the total and unconditional withdrawal of Israel beyond the internationally recognized borders of Lebanon.