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TELEGRAM DATED 25 MAY 1948 TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL
FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL'S TRUCE COMMISSION

The Chairman of the Security Council's Truce Commission instructs me to send you the following message:

Jerusalem, 25 May 1948,

The slackening of the firing reported in my telegram [of 24 May (document S/785)] was succeeded at midnight by a violent attack on the Jewish quarter of the Old City. In addition, the Jewish Agency reported at about 12:30 a severe bombardment of RAMA-RACHEL and NOTRE-DAME-DE-FRANCE, heavy firing from automatic weapons on the UNIVERSITY from the direction of AUGUSTA-VICTORI at the same time, [and] the landing of about ten mortar [shells] on CIVAT-SHAUL at approximately 10:30.

The Jewish Agency protested against these acts and added that it would be difficult to prevent the Jewish forces from taking reprisals.

This morning the radio announced the Security Council's decision to grant the Arabs a 48-hour extension of the time-limit [previously fixed.]

With regard to the remainder of Palestine, it is very [difficult] for us to give you any information as the irregularity of the electric services makes radio reception very erratic.

Signed: Jean NIEUWENHUIS, Chairman of the Security Council's Truce Commission in Palestine.

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