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LETTER DATED 29 DECEMBER 1973 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF EGYPT  
TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

On instructions of my Government, and further to my letters addressed to you regarding Israeli violations of the cease-fire, I have the honour to draw your attention to additional Israeli violations which took place between 24 and 28 December 1973:

On 24 December 1973:

1. At 1945 hours local time, the Israeli forces undertook technical constructions in the area east of El-Ferdan Bridge (east of the Suez Canal). Soon after, they opened fire on our troops in front of that area.
2. Between 1945 and 2000 hours local time, the Israeli forces opened fire on our forces in two areas east of El-Ferdan Bridge (east of the Suez Canal).
3. Between 1200 and 1545 hours local time, the Israeli forces opened fire from the area east of Gabal El Loufa (east of the Suez Canal).

On 25 December 1973:

4. At 1145 hours local time, the Israeli forces undertook technical constructions, under the cover of continuous firing from artillery, tank guns and mortars on our forces in two areas south of Wadi El Ashra (west of the Suez Canal).
5. Between 1330 and 1545 hours local time, the Israeli forces opened fire five times on our forces in the areas south and north of Wadi El Ashra (west of the Suez Canal) and in the areas north and north-west of Gabal El Shehabi (west of the Suez Canal).

On 26 December 1973:

6. Between 0140 and 0200 hours local time, the Israeli forces opened fire on our forces in the area south-west of Quatib Elaagramiah (east of the Suez Canal).
7. At 0330 hours local time, the Israeli forces opened small-arms fire on our forces in the area of Kekit.

8. Between 1350 and 1555 hours local time, the Israeli forces opened fire on our forces south of Abou Sultan Road, using artillery and tank guns.
9. At 2000 hours local time, the Israeli forces opened artillery and small-arms fire on our forces in the area of Kebrite.

On 27 December 1973:

10. Between 0315 and 0545 hours local time, the Israeli forces opened mortar and machine-gun fire from the area north-east of El-Ferdan Bridge (east of the Suez Canal).
11. Between 1111 and 1114 hours local time, two Israeli phantom aircraft violated Egypt's air space in the Suez area.

On 28 December 1973:

12. Between 1030 and 1135 hours local time, four Israeli aircraft violated Egypt's air space in the southern sector of the Suez Canal.
13. Between 1140 and 1155, the Israeli forces opened fire on our forces, from the area north of Gabal Ataka to the Suez road.
14. Between 1204 and 1211 hours local time, the Israeli forces opened small-arms and machine-gun fire on our forces from the same area.
15. Between 1030 and 1100 hours local time the Israeli forces opened artillery fire on our forces north of Gabal Ataka in the vicinity of the Suez road.
16. Between 1303 and 1308 hours local time, the Israeli forces opened fire on our forces from the area south of Elmanaief oasis (west of the Suez Canal).

Complaints in respect of these violations have been lodged with the United Nations observers headquarters.

I have the honour to request that this letter be circulated as an official document of the Security Council.

(Signed) A. Esmat ABDEL MEGUID  
Ambassador  
Permanent Representative

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