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Further report on the status of the cease-fire
in the Middle East

The following information has been received from the Acting Chief of Staff of UNTSO with regard to the situation in the Israel-Syria sector on 5 November 1973:

1. Reports on ground activity:

(a) OP Two: 1/ Since 0930 2/ on 4 November and still in progress Israel forces work party with bulldozer and vehicles at AMR 2310-2708. 3/

(b) Patrol 31: Between 1310 and 1315 sporadic machine-gun fire by Israel forces.

2. Reports on air activity:

Patrol 32: Between 0755 and 0756 two Israel forces jet aircraft, flying south to north, first observed south of patrol location, were last observed north of patrol location.

3. Complaints by the parties:

Complaints have been received from Syria alleging that:

(a) On 4 November at approximately 0600 an Israel forces bulldozer under protection of two Israel forces armoured personnel carriers and one tank advanced to AMR 2310-2708 and started digging new position.

(b) On 4 November at approximately 1220 several Israel forces personnel advanced to AMR 2353-2620 and laid mines.

(c) On 5 November 1973 at approximately 1205 four Israel forces armoured personnel carriers and five personnel advanced to AMR 2350-2620.

Complaint (a) was confirmed by United Nations observation (see para. 1 (a) above); complaints (b) and (c) were not confirmed by United Nations observation.

1/ The locations of patrols and observation posts are given in document S/11057.

2/ All times GMT.

3/ AMR - approximate map reference.

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