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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-Lebanon sector on 7 November 1973:

1. Reports on ground activity:

- (a) OP Ras: 1/ Between 0445 2/ and 1450 Israel forces personnel, an armoured personnel carrier and one civilian vehicle reoccupied position at AMR 1907-2749 3/ north of border pillar 19. Between 0745 and 1512 Israel forces personnel crossed the armistice demarcation line at AMR 1958-2774 and were last observed at AMR 1958-2775. Maximum penetration 100 metres.
- (b) OP Mar: Between 0505 and 1435 Israel forces personnel and vehicles reoccupied position at AMR 2004-2904 west of border pillar 33.

2. Reports on air activity:

- (a) OP Hin: Between 0741 and 0744 one Israel forces jet aircraft, flying south to north, crossed the armistice demarcation line east-south-east of OP and was last observed north of OP.
- (b) OP Mar: Between 0736 and 0740 two Israel forces jet aircraft, flying south-south-west to north-north-east, turning north, then south-west, were first observed south of OP and last observed south-west of OP. Between 0940 and 0953 two Israel forces jet aircraft, flying south-east to north-west, turning north, then south-east, crossed the armistice demarcation line south-south-east of OP and recrossed the armistice demarcation line north-north-east of OP (three overflights were observed).
- (c) OP Khiam: Between 0744 and 0748 one Israel forces jet circraft, flying south-east to north-west, turning west, then south, crossed the armistice demarcation line south-west of OP and was last observed west-south-

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^{1/} The locations of the observation posts are given in document S/11057.

^{2/} All times GMT.

^{3/} AMR - approximate map reference.

west of OP. Between 0744 and 0748 one Israel forces jet aircraft, flying east to west, then south, crossed into Lebanon east of OP and was last observed vest-south-west of OP. Between 0748 and 0749 two Israel forces jet aircraft, flying north north-west to south-south-east, were first observed south-east of OP and recrossed the armistice demarcation line south-south-east of OP. Between 0956 and 0958 two Israel forces jet aircraft, flying south to north, turning east, then south, were first observed over OP and recrossed into Syrian-occupied territory east of OP.

3. Complaints by the parties:

Complaints have been received from Lebanon alleging that:

- (a) On 7 November between 0740 and 0745 two Israel forces jet aircraft overflew the Lebanese regions of Marjayoun (AMR 2056-3074), Jezzine (24 kilometres north-north-west of OP Khiam), Saida and Nagoura (AMR 1629-2805).
- (b) During the night of 6/7 November several rounds of artillery fire fell on the Lebanese village of Rachaiya El Foukhar (AMR 2127-3065) and exploded in the centre of the village. Casualties and material damage were reported.

Complaint (a) was confirmed by United Nations observation for that portion within observation range of OP Mar (see para. 2 (b) above). Complaint (b) was confirmed by United Nations observation, except for casualties and damage (see S/11057/Add.29, para. 1 (d)).

