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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 22 November 1973:

- 1. Reports on ground activity:
- (a) Patrol 41 (AMR 2367-3026): 1/ Between 0630 2/ and 0710, at 0905, and between 1245 and 1247 artillery fire by Syrian forces. Between 0712 and 0726 artillery fire by Israel forces (confirmed by Patrol 32). Between 1255 and 1256 artillery fire by Israel forces.
- (b) OP Romeo: 3/ Between 0735 and 0810 anti-tank gun fire by Israel forces.
- (c) OP 5: Between 0919 and 0944 machine-gun fire by Israel forces. Between 1011 and 1020 machine-gun and small-arms fire by Israel forces.
- (d) Patrol 37 (AMR 2320-2790): Between 0927 and 0930 and between 1013 and 1023 machine-gun fire by Israel forces.
- (e) Patrol 32 (AMR 2345-3054): Between 1243 and 1245 mortar fire by Syrian forces. Between 1255 and 1256 mortar fire by Israel forces.
- 2. Complaints by the parties:

Complaints have been received from Israel alleging that on 21 November:

(a) At 0300, 1215 and 1348 Syrian forces opened fire 3 kilometres east of Mazraat - Beit Jinn (AMR 2358-3017).

<sup>1/</sup> AMR - approximate map reference.

<sup>2/</sup> All times GMT.

<sup>3/</sup> The locations of the observations posts are given in document S/11057.

- (b) At 1455 Syrian forces opened artillery fire 3 kilometres east of Mazraat Beit Jinn.
- (c) At 1640 Syrian forces opened fire in the Aaqraba (AMR 244-279) area.
- Complaint (c) was confirmed by United Nations observation (see S/11057/Add.73, para. 1 (f)). Complaint (a) was not confirmed by United Nations observation but the last two instances of firing may be related to Patrol 32 observation (see S/11057/Add.73, para. 1 (a)). Complaint (b) was not confirmed by United Nations observation.
- 3. Firing on or close to United Nations personnel:

At 0910 two artillery rounds fired by Israel forces impacted in vicinity of United Nations party on rescue mission at location AMR 2395-3040.