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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 14 December 1973:

1. Reports on ground activity:

(a) OP Two: 1/ Between 0400 2/ and 0930, 400 explosions west of OP. Between 1100 and 1400, 400 explosions south-south-east of OP.

(b) Patrol 32 (AMR 2345-3054): 3/ Between 1025 and 1027 machine-gun fire by unidentified forces south of patrol location. Between 1108 and 1113 mortar fire by Syrian forces (confirmed by Patrol 38). Between 1315 and 1345 machine-gun fire by unidentified forces south-south-east of patrol location.

(c) Patrol 41 (AMR 2367-3026): Between 1055 and 1115 artillery fire by Syrian forces.

(d) OP Seven: Between 1150 and 1153 machine-gun fire by Israel forces.

(e) Patrol 31 (AMR 2449-2952): Between 1247 and 1309 artillery fire by unidentified forces south-south-east of patrol location.

(f) Patrol 44 (AMR 2519-2911): Between 1253 and 1311 artillery fire by Syrian forces.

(g) Patrol 38 (AMR 2395-3040): Between 1304 and 1309 small arms fire by unidentified forces north-west of patrol location.

2. Complaints by the parties:

Complaints have been received from Israel alleging that on 14 December:

(a) At 0600 Syrian Forces moved forward south-east of Quneitra.

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

2/ All times GMT.

3/ AMR - approximate map reference.

(b) At 1100 Syrian forces opened artillery fire south-east of Mazraat Beit Jinn (AMR 2350-3010).

(c) At 1248 Syrian forces opened artillery fire in the area of former CP 3.

(d) At 1315 Syrian forces opened artillery fire on Tell Aantar (AMR 2518-2828).

(e) At 1340 Syrian forces opened artillery fire north-west of Kodna (AMR 2686-2333).

Complaint (d) above was confirmed by United Nations observation (see paragraph 1 (f) above).

Complaint (b) above was not confirmed by United Nations observation but may be related to Patrol 41 observation (see paragraph 1 (c) above).

Complaints (a), (c) and (e) above were not confirmed by United Nations observation.
