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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 14 December 1973:

1. Reports on ground activity:

(a) OP Mar: 1/ Between 0515 2/ and 1452 Israel forces personnel, armoured personnel carrier and vehicle reoccupied position at AMR 2004-2904 3/ west of border pillar 33. Between 1807 and 1809 mortar fire by unidentified forces south-south-west of OP.

(b) OP Ras: Between 0610 and 0620 mortar fire by Israel forces across armistice demarcation line. Between 0650 and 1445 Israel forces personnel reoccupied position at AMR 1907-2749 north of border pillar 19. Between 1544 and 1550 mortar fire by Israel forces across armistice demarcation line (confirmed by OP Mar).

(c) OP Hin: Between 0635 and 1445 Israel forces personnel and armoured personnel carrier reoccupied position at AMR 1799-2788 near border pillar 11.

2. Complaints by the parties:

Complaints have been received from Lebanon alleging that:

(a) On 13 and 14 December one Israel forces patrol consisting of two armoured personnel carriers penetrated Lebanese territory in the region of Chebaa (AMR 2200-3055) and after firing some automatic weapon bursts occupied position at AMR 2211-3045 throughout the day.

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

2/ All times GMT.

3/ AMR - approximate map reference.

(b) On 14 December:

- (i) Between 0600 and 0630 several rounds of mortar fire from Israel territory fell in the vicinity of Yaroun (AMR 1897-2761) and Rmaich (AMR 1847-2760). Material damage was reported.
- (ii) Between 1535 and 1615 several rounds of mortar fire coming from Israel territory fell in the vicinity of Aitaroun (AMR 1944-2802), Rmaich and Yaroun. Material damage was reported.

Complaints (b) (i) and (ii) above were confirmed by United Nations observation except for damage (see paragraph 1 (b) above).

Complaint (a) above was not confirmed by United Nations observation.
