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### Letter dated 11 January 1974 from the Acting Permanent Representative of Israel to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

On instructions of my Government and further to my letter addressed to you on 10 January 1974 (A/9482-S/11188), I have the honour to draw your attention to the complaints submitted by Israel, as set out hereunder, which illustrate the situation created by the continuing, systematic and deliberate Egyptian violations of the cease-fire called for by the Security Council and of the Agreement of 11 November 1973 between Egypt and Israel for the implementation of the cease-fire (S/11056/Add.3, annex).

Attached hereto is a detailed list of the complaints submitted by Israel to the United Nations observers headquarters in respect of the grave Egyptian violations of the cease-fire in widespread sectors of the cease-fire lines east and west of the Suez Canal on 10 January 1974, which have caused Israeli casualties.

These Egyptian attacks included three attempts to cross the cease-fire lines, to advance positions and to push forward minefields; five cases of small-arms fire; two cases of heavy machine-gun fire; one case of anti-tank fire; one case of tank fire; one case of mortar shelling; four cases of artillery fire; and four cases of heavy artillery fire.

Your attention is especially drawn to complaint No. 19 in the attached list concerning the Egyptian attack on positions of the United Nations Emergency Force in Suez City and on the trucks used in the supply convoys to Suez City and the Third Corps.

I would also point out that the Egyptian responsibility for the situation existing along the cease-fire lines is reflected, for example, in the report of UNEF and the United Nations observers headquarters in respect of 7 January 1974 (S/11057/Add.212), which states in paragraph 1, that:

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> "The situation created by the movement forward by Egyptian forces in the area of Swedish battalion Position 1121 and Trish battalion Position 502 (see S/11057/Add.195) continued to be the cause of exchanges of fire in this area".

I have the honour to request that this letter be circulated as an official document of the General Assembly and the Security Council.

(<u>Signed</u>) Jacob DORON Acting Permanent Representative of Israel to the United Nations

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#### ANNEX

#### Complaints submitted by Israel to the United Nations observers headquarters in respect of Egyptian ceasefire violations on 10 January 1974

1. At 0817 Egyptian forces opened fire on Israeli forces west of Faid.

2. At 0925 Egyptian forces opened fire on Israeli forces east of the Small Bitter Lake.

3. At 0855 Egyptian forces opened heavy artillery fire on Israeli forces south-west of Adabiya.

4. At 1003 Egyptian forces opened heavy artillery fire on an Israeli navy boat near Adabiya.

5. At 1055 Egyptian forces crossed the cease-fire line in Suez City.

6. At 1102 Egyptian forces opened heavy artillery fire on Israeli forces east of kilometre 62 of the Suez Canal.

7. At 1254 Egyptian forces opened heavy machine-gun fire on Israeli forces south-west of Adabiya.

8. At 1310 Egyptian forces opened heavy artillery fire on Israeli forces east of kilometre 62 of the Suez Canal.

9. At 1320 Egyptian forces opened heavy machine-gun fire on Israeli forces south-west of Faid.

10. At 1300 Egyptian forces crossed the cease-fire line south-west of Suez City at AMR  $\underline{a}$  (UTM)  $\underline{b}$ / 4547-3154.

11. At 1420 Egyptian forces opened fire on Israeli forces in Suez City.

12. At 1520 Egyptian forces opened artillery, tank and anti-tank fire on Israeli forces in the area of Suez City.

13. At 1610 Egyptian forces opened mortar fire on Israeli forces at kilometre 150 of the Suez Canal.

a/ Approximate map reference.

b/ Universal Transverse Mercator system.

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14. At 1620 Egyptian forces opened artillery fire on Israeli forces at kilometre 157 of the Suez Canal.

15. At 1710 Egyptian forces opened artillery fire on Israeli forces in the Suez City area.

16. At 1632 Egyptian forces crossed the cease-fire line south-west of Faid.

17. At 1655 Egyptian forces opened fire on Israeli forces south-west of Faid.

18. At 1700 Egyptian forces opened fire on Israeli forces south-west of Faid.

19. At 1630 Egyptian forces opened artillery fire on Israeli forces and on positions of the United Nations Emergency Force in Suez City, including the parking area of the supply convoys to Suez City and the Third Army. As a result of the Egyptian firing, three supply trucks were destroyed and the UNEF building was damaged.

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