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The following information has been received from the Chief of Staff of UNTSO regarding the situation in the Israel-Syria sector on 20 April 1974:

1. Reports on ground activity:

(a) Patrol 34 (AMR^{1/} 2534-2937), Patrol 35 (AMR 2532-2852) and Patrol 44 (AMR 2519-2911): Between 0640 ^{2/} and 0754 mortar fire, between 0640 and 0730, between 0823 and 0852 artillery fire by Syrian forces. Between 0747 and 0914, between 0948 and 1005 artillery fire by Israel forces. Between 0918 and 0931, between 1201 and 1215 and between 1426 and 1450 artillery fire, between 1004 and 1031 tank fire and between 1350 and 1420 mortar fire by Syrian forces. Between 1638 and 1647 artillery fire by Israel forces. At 1608 mortar fire by Syrian forces and at 1640 mortar fire by Israel forces (exchange of fire reported by Patrol 35). Firing ceased by Israel forces at 1651 and by Syrian forces at 1652.

(b) Patrol 31 (AMR 2449-2982) and Patrol 42 (AMR 2431-2961): Between 0753 and 0815, between 0932 and 1015, between 1139 and 1145, between 1305 and 1315 and between 1411 and 1528 artillery fire and between 1410 and 1538 mortar fire by Israel forces. Between 1415 and 1420 artillery fire and between 1607 and 1620 rocket fire by Syrian forces. Between 1642 and 1836 artillery fire, between 1905 and 1930 mortar fire by Israel forces.

(c) Patrol 32 (AMR 2345-3054), Patrol 38 (AMR 2395-3040) and Patrol 41 (AMR 2353-3005): Between 0755 and 0815 and between 0846 and 1110 artillery fire, between 0864 and 0855, between 1009 and 1025 and between 1213 and 1311 mortar fire by Israel forces. At 0853 artillery fire, which ceased immediately, by Syrian forces. Between 1030 and 1156 and between 1414 and 1420 artillery fire and between 1225 and 1323 mortar fire by Syrian forces. Between 1533 and 1635 rocket fire and between 1619 and 1649 mortar fire by Syrian forces. Between 1630 and 1645 and between 1911 and 1957 artillery fire and between 1645 and 1815 mortar fire by Israel forces.

^{1/} AMR - approximate map reference.

^{2/} All times GMT.

(d) OP Two (AMR 2306-2736), OP Five (AMR 2290-2787) and Patrol 37 (AMR 2320-2790): Between 0802 and 1132, between 1320 and 1400, between 1403 and 1506 and between 1622 and 1628 artillery fire by Israel forces. Between 0834 and 1110 and between 1644 and 1648 artillery fire by Syrian forces.

(e) OP Romeo (AMR 2294-2459): Between 1603 and 1615, between 1803 and 1805, between 1841 and 1844 and between 1919 and 1923 artillery fire and between 1924 and 1926 machine-gun fire by Israel forces. Between 1630 and 1638 artillery fire by Syrian forces. Between 2000 and 2003 artillery fire by Israel forces.

(f) Patrol 33 (AMR 2444-2814) and Patrol 43 (AMR 2398-2816): Between 1615 and 1622 artillery fire by Israel forces. Between 1808 and 1817 artillery fire by Syrian forces.

(g) OP Uniform (AMR 2366-2621), OP Three (AMR 2308-2678) and OP Four (AMR 2327-2596): Between 1019 and 1135, between 1307 and 1416 and between 1446 and 1507 artillery fire by Israel forces. Between 1109 and 1204, between 1335 and 1405, between 1532 and 1537 and between 1605 and 1655 artillery fire by Syrian forces. Between 1537 and 1546 machine-gun fire by Israel forces.

2. Reports on air activity:

(a) Patrol 38: Between 0830 and 0831 one Israel forces jet aircraft, flying south-west to north-east, turning north then north-west, was first observed west of patrol location and last observed north-north-west of patrol location. Between 1024 and 1026 two Israel forces jet aircraft, flying south-west to north-east, turning north then north-west, were first observed west of patrol location and last observed north-north-west of patrol location.

(b) Patrol 32: Between 1126 and 1128 two Israel forces jet aircraft, flying south-west to north-east, turning north then west, were first observed over patrol location and last observed north-north-west of patrol location.

3. Complaints by the parties:

Complaints have been received from Syria alleging that on 19 April:

- (i) At approximately 0645 Israel forces jet aircraft bombed Syrian positions in the area of Qalaat Jenndal (AMR 2390-3140).
- (ii) At approximately 0700 Israel forces jet aircraft bombed Syrian positions in the area of Qalaat Jenndal.
- (iii) At approximately 0725 Israel forces jet aircraft bombed Syrian positions in the area of Baqassem (AMR 2380-3180).
- (iv) At approximately 0725 Israel forces opened artillery fire against Syrian positions in the area of former OP Victor.

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- (v) At approximately 0820 Israel forces jet aircraft bombed Syrian positions in the area of OP Uniform.
- (vi) At approximately 0820 Israel forces jet aircraft bombed Syrian positions in the area of former OP November.
- (vii) At approximately 0820 Israel forces jet aircraft bombed Syrian positions in the area of former OP Sierra.
- (viii) At approximately 0830 Israel forces jet aircraft bombed Syrian positions in the area of former OP Victor.
- (ix) At approximately 0840 Israel forces opened artillery fire in the area of patrol base 33.
- (x) At approximately 0850 Israel forces jet aircraft bombed Syrian positions in the area of former OP Victor.
- (xi) At approximately 0920 Israel forces opened artillery fire in the area of patrol base 37.
- (xii) At approximately 0950 Israel forces opened artillery fire in the area of patrol base 33.

Complaints (v), (vi), (vii), (ix) and (x) were confirmed by United Nations observation (see S/11057/Add.418, para. 2 (j), (a), (a), (f) and (j)). Complaint (xi) was confirmed by United Nations observation although there is discrepancy in the type of weapons used (see S/11057/Add.418, para. 1 (e)). The other complaints were not confirmed.
