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Further report on the status of the cease-fire  
in the Middle East

The Chief of Staff of UNTSO has submitted the following report on the situation in the Israel-Lebanon sector covering the period from 15 to 21 April 1974:

1. The period under review was marked by continued tension in the sector. There was a sharp increase in air activity.

2. Israel forces personnel continued to occupy daily during daylight hours three positions on the Lebanese side of the armistice demarcation line (ADL) near border pillars 11 (AMR 1799-2788), 1/ 19 (AMR 1907-2749) and 33 (AMR 2004-2904).

3. Twenty-seven cases of firing across the ADL were reported by United Nations Military Observers, 23 firings by Israel forces and four by unidentified forces. There were also 243 overflights across the ADL, 231 by Israel forces aircraft and 12 by aircraft which could not be identified.

4. The Lebanese authorities submitted a total of 24 complaints, 8 on firings across the ADL by Israel forces, 7 on incursions into Lebanese territory by Israel forces and 7 on overflights of Lebanese territory by Israel forces aircraft. In pursuance of requests submitted by the Lebanese authorities, UNTSO conducted inquiries on two complaints relating to incursions.

5. The incidents and complaints mentioned in paragraphs 3 and 4 above have been described in more detail in the reports submitted by the Secretary-General to the Security Council during the week (see S/11057/Add.410, 413, 415, 417, 419, 421 and 422).

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1/ AMR - approximate map reference.