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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 6 May 1974:

1. Reports on ground activity:

(a) Patrol 34 (AMR 2534-2937), ^{1/} Patrol 35 (AMR 2532-2852) and Patrol 44 (AMR 2519-2911): Between 0516 ^{2/} and 0600 artillery fire by Syrian forces. Between 0538 and 0555 mortar fire and between 0555 and 0621 artillery fire by Israel forces. Between 0657 and 0804 artillery fire and between 0700 and 0751 tank fire by Syrian forces. Between 0736 and 0814 tank fire and between 0755 and 1450 artillery fire by Israel forces. Between 0756 and 0823 mortar fire, between 0825 and 1103, between 1126 and 1344 and between 1500 and 1635 artillery fire by Syrian forces. Between 1535 and 1542 artillery fire by Israel forces. Between 1620 and 1630 mortar fire and between 1625 and 1631 rocket fire by Syrian forces. Between 1643 and 1650 artillery fire by Israel forces.

(b) Patrol 33 (AMR 2444-2814) and Patrol 43 (AMR 2398-2816): Between 0518 and 0855 artillery fire by Syrian forces. Between 0540 and 0628 mortar fire by Israel forces. Between 0613 and 0618 mortar fire by Syrian forces. Between 0625 and 1205 artillery fire by Israel forces. Between 0924 and 1233 artillery fire by Syrian forces. Between 1337 and 1409 artillery fire by Israel forces. Between 1507 and 1531 artillery fire by Syrian forces.

(c) Patrol 31 (AMR 2449-2982) and Patrol 42 (AMR 2431-2951): Between 0518 and 0535 mortar fire by Israel forces. Between 0520 and 0630 artillery fire by Syrian forces. Between 0555 and 0623 artillery fire by Israel forces. Between 0602 and 0619 mortar fire and between 0720 and 0905 artillery fire by Syrian forces. Between 0755 and 0832, between 0904 and 0941 and between 1003 and 1522 artillery fire by Israel forces. Between 1005 and 1052, between 1204 and 1315 and between 1354 and 1544 artillery fire by Syrian forces.

^{1/} AMR - approximate map reference.

^{2/} All times GMT.

(d) OP Three (AMR 2308-2678), OP Four (AMR 2327-2596) and OP Uniform (AMR 2366-2621): Between 1055 and 1631 artillery fire by Israel forces. Between 1133 and 1310 and between 1325 and 1346 artillery fire by Syrian forces. Between 1425 and 1535 mortar fire, between 1458 and 1500 rocket fire and between 1512 and 1525 tank fire by Israel forces. At 1539 mortar fire by Israel forces and at 1541 mortar fire by Syrian forces (exchange of fire in the OP Three area); firing ceased by Syrian forces at 1545 and by Israel forces at 1610. Between 1613 and 1621 artillery fire by Syrian forces.

(e) OP Two (AMR 2306-2736), OP Five (AMR 2290-2787) and Patrol 37 (AMR 2320-2790): Between 0702 and 1214 artillery fire by Israel forces. Between 0805 and 0826 and between 1135 and 1203 artillery fire by Syrian forces. Between 1525 and 1634 artillery fire and between 1537 and 1630 mortar fire by Israel forces. Between 1539 and 1633 artillery fire and between 1607 and 1633 mortar fire by Syrian forces.

(f) Patrol 32 (AMR 2345-3054), Patrol 38 (AMR 2395-3040) and Patrol 41 (AMR 2353-3005): Between 0747 and 0838 artillery fire by Israel forces. Between 0747 and 0905 and between 0945 and 1008 artillery fire by Syrian forces. Between 1155 and 1532 artillery fire by Israel forces. Between 1445 and 1523 artillery fire by Syrian forces.

(g) Patrol 36 (AMR 2500-3150): Between 0906 and 0907 and between 0942 and 0945 mortar fire by Israel forces.

(h) OP Romeo (AMR 2294-2459): Between 1105 and 1130 artillery fire by Israel forces. Between 1332 and 1340 artillery fire by Syrian forces.

2. Reports on air activity:

(a) Patrol 32: Between 0633 and 0636 two unidentified jet aircraft, flying north-west to south-east, turning west, were first observed north-north-east of patrol location and last observed west of patrol location. Three ground-to-air missiles were fired by Syrian forces (United Nations Military Observers were unable to identify the aircraft owing to high altitude).

(b) Patrol 36: Between 0634 and 0638 one unidentified jet aircraft, flying south-south-west to north-north-east, then turning west, was first observed south-west of patrol location and last observed north-west of patrol location. Three ground-to-air missiles were fired by Syrian forces (UNMOs were unable to identify the aircraft owing to high altitude).

(c) OP Three: Between 1113 and 1114 two Israel forces jet aircraft attacked with bombs and rockets Syrian forces positions east-south-east of OP (one strike). Anti-aircraft fire by Syrian forces (confirmed by OP Uniform). Between 1127 and 1128 two Israel forces jet aircraft attacked with bombs and rockets Syrian forces positions south-east of OP (one strike). Anti-aircraft fire by Syrian forces (confirmed by OP Uniform). Between 1143 and 1144 four Israel

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forces jet aircraft attacked with bombs Syrian forces positions east of OP (one strike). Anti-aircraft fire by Syrian forces (confirmed by OP Uniform). Between 1146 and 1147 two Israel forces jet aircraft attacked with bombs Syrian forces positions south-east of OP (one strike). Anti-aircraft fire by Syrian forces (confirmed by OP Uniform). Between 1158 and 1159 two Israel forces jet aircraft attacked with bombs Syrian forces positions east of OP (one strike). Anti-aircraft fire by Syrian forces.

(d) OP Five: Between 1114 and 1115 four Israel forces jet aircraft attacked with rockets and bombs Syrian forces positions east-north-east of OP (one strike). Anti-aircraft fire by Syrian forces (confirmed by Patrol 37). Between 1118 and 1119 two Israel forces jet aircraft attacked with bombs Syrian forces positions east of OP. Anti-aircraft fire by Syrian forces (confirmed by Patrol 37).

(e) OP Four: Between 1138 and 1139 two Israel forces jet aircraft attacked with bombs Syrian forces positions east of OP (one strike). Anti-aircraft fire by Syrian forces (confirmed by OP Romeo). Between 1156 and 1157 two Israel forces jet aircraft attacked with bombs and rockets Syrian forces positions south of OP (one strike). Anti-aircraft fire by Syrian forces. Between 1201 and 1202 two Israel forces jet aircraft attacked with bombs and rockets Syrian forces positions south of OP (one strike). Anti-aircraft fire by Syrian forces (confirmed by OP Romeo). Between 1204 and 1205 two Israel forces jet aircraft attacked with bombs Syrian forces positions east of OP (one strike). Anti-aircraft fire by Syrian forces. Between 1211 and 1212 two Israel forces jet aircraft attacked with bombs Syrian forces positions south of OP (one strike). Anti-aircraft fire by Syrian forces. Between 1212 and 1213 two Israel forces jet aircraft attacked with bombs Syrian forces positions east of OP (one strike). Anti-aircraft fire by Syrian forces (confirmed by OP Romeo). Between 1217 and 1218 one Israel forces jet aircraft attacked with bombs Syrian forces positions east of OP (one strike). Anti-aircraft fire by Syrian forces (confirmed by OP Romeo).

(f) Patrol 41: Between 1319 and 1320 four Syrian forces jet aircraft attacked with bombs Israel forces positions south of patrol location (one strike). Anti-aircraft fire by Israel forces (confirmed by Patrol 31).

3. Firing on or close to United Nations installations:

OP Uniform: At 1128 two Israel forces jet aircraft dropped bombs near the OP. Shrapnel and rocks landed in the OP compound following bomb explosions. No injuries or damage were reported.

4. Complaints by the parties:

Complaints have been received from Israel alleging that:

On 5 May:

(i) At 0305 and 2330 Syrian forces opened artillery fire on Mount Hermon.

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- (ii) At 0650 Syrian forces opened artillery fire in the areas of Qum Batne (AMR 2340-2810) and Tell Aakcha (AMR 2310-2708).
- (iii) Between 0715 and 0745 and between 0815 and 0900 Syrian forces opened artillery and rocket fire east of OP Five.
- (iv) At 0830 and 0945 Syrian forces opened artillery fire in the area of Kochniye (AMR 2360-2670).
- (v) At 0845 and 1305 Syrian forces opened artillery fire in the area south of Qunaitra.
- (vi) At 0850 and 1300 Syrian forces opened artillery fire in the OP Two area.
- (vii) At 1015 Syrian forces opened artillery fire in the Tell Aakcha and OP Three area.
- (viii) At 1050 Syrian forces opened artillery fire in the Kafer Naffakh area (AMR 2190-2740).
- (ix) At 1100 Syrian forces opened artillery fire in the areas of Kochniye and Ain Ziouane (AMR 2268-2780).
- (x) At 1050 and 1101 Syrian forces opened artillery fire on Tell Ech Chaar (AMR 2370-2860).
- (xi) At 1300 Syrian forces opened artillery fire in the Rafid area (AMR 2345-2625).
- (xii) At 1325 Syrian forces opened artillery fire in the Mount Hermon area.
- (xiii) Between 1500 and 1600 Syrian forces opened artillery fire in the areas of Kochniye, Tell Farass (AMR 2313-2632), Tell Aakcha and El Joukhadah (AMR 2299-2594).
- (xiv) At 1615 Syrian forces opened artillery and rocket fire in the areas of Khane Arennbe (AMR 2330-2880) and Jaba (AMR 2360-2854).

Complaints (ii), (iii), (iv), (v), (vi), (vii), (ix), (x), (xii), (xiii) and (xiv) were confirmed by United Nations observation (see S/11057/Add.452, para. 1 (a), (c) and (d)). Complaints (i) and (viii) were not confirmed; the areas of the alleged incidents were not within the range of United Nations observation. Complaint (xi) was not confirmed.
