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in the Middle East

The following information has been received from the Chief of Staff of UNTSO regarding the situation in the Israel-Syria sector on 8 May 1974:

1. Reports on ground activity:

(a) Patrol 32 (AMR 2345-3054), 1/ Patrol 38 (AMR 2395-3040) and Patrol 41 (AMR 2353-3005): Between 0518 2/ and 0545 artillery fire and between 0840 and 0912 mortar fire by Israel forces. Between 0835 and 1617 artillery fire by Syrian forces. Between 1132 and 1622 artillery fire by Israel forces.

(b) Patrol 33 (AMR 2444-2814) and Patrol 43 (AMR 2398-2816): Between 0515 and 0635 machine-gun fire and between 0721 and 0810 and between 0815 and 0940 artillery fire by Israel forces.

(c) Patrol 34 (AMR 2534-2937), Patrol 35 (AMR 2532-2852) and Patrol 44 (AMR 2519-2911): Between 0639 and 0749 and between 0808 and 0910 artillery fire by Syrian forces. Between 0720 and 0814 and between 0834 and 0905 artillery fire by Israel forces. Between 1325 and 1345 artillery fire by Israel forces. Between 1429 and 1435 artillery fire by Syrian forces.

(d) OP Three (AMR 2308-2678), OP Four (AMR 2327-2596) and OP Uniform (AMR 2366-2621): Between 0644 and 0752 mortar fire, between 0644 and 0759, between 0830 and 1100 and between 1130 and 1134 artillery fire by Syrian forces. Between 0719 and 1105 artillery fire, between 0833 and 0918 mortar fire by Israel forces. Between 1243 and 1559 and between 1624 and 1626 artillery fire by Syrian forces. Between 1304 and 1425 and between 1522 and 1815 artillery fire by Israel forces.

(e) OP Romeo (AMR 2294-2459): Between 0645 and 0735 mortar fire by Syrian forces. Between 0810 and 0826 artillery fire by Israel forces. Between 1006 and 1131, between 1315 and 1350 artillery fire by Syrian forces.

1/ AMR - approximate map reference.

2/ All times GMT.

(f) Patrol 31 (AMR 2449-2982) and Patrol 42 (AMR 2431-2961): Between 0734 and 0810, between 0833 and 0900 and between 0916 and 1032 artillery fire by Israel forces. Between 0815 and 0825 artillery fire by Syrian forces.

(g) Patrol 36 (AMR 2500-3150): Between 0915 and 1030 artillery fire by Israel forces. Between 1000 and 1208 artillery fire by Syrian forces.

(h) OP Two (AMR 2306-2736): Between 1703 and 1708 mortar fire by Syrian forces.

2. Complaints by the parties:

Complaints have been received from Israel alleging that on 7 May:

- (i) Between 0540 and 0640 and at 0900 Syrian forces opened artillery fire in the Tell Ech Chams area (AMR 2430-2950).
- (ii) Between 0540 and 0640 and at 1555 Syrian forces opened artillery fire in the Mazraat Beit Jinn area (AMR 2358-3015).
- (iii) Between 1100 and 1500 Syrian forces opened artillery fire in the Himrite area (AMR 2445-2879).
- (iv) Between 1500 and 1600 Syrian forces opened artillery fire on the peak of Mount Hermon.
- (v) At 2055 Syrian forces opened artillery fire on Oum Batne (AMR 2340-2810).

Complaints (i), (ii) and (iv) were confirmed by United Nations observation (see S/11057/Add.456, para.1(a) and (b)). The other complaints were not confirmed.
