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

The Chief of Staff of UNTSO has reported that, in addition to the recurrent incursions near border pillars 11, 19 and 33 (S/11057/Add.424, para. 2), the following developments took place in the Israel-Lebanon sector on 18 May 1974:

1. Reports on ground activity:

(a) OP Hin: 1/ Between 0310 2/ and 0317 mortar fire by Israel forces across the armistice demarcation line (ADL).

(b) OP Ras: Between 1927 and 1933 and between 2200 and 2204 mortar fire by Israel forces across the ADL.

2. Reports on air activity:

(a) OP Mar: Between 0540 and 0541 two Israel forces jet aircraft, flying south-west to north-east, were first observed north-west of OP and recrossed the ADL north-north-east of OP. Between 0549 and 0550 two Israel forces jet aircraft, flying south-south-east to north-north-west, crossed the ADL south-south-east of OP and were last observed north-north-west of OP. Between 0558 and 0604 two Israel forces jet aircraft, flying south-east to north-west, turning west, then south, crossed the ADL south-east of OP and recrossed it south of OP Hin.

(b) OP Khiam: Between 0931 and 0936 two Israel forces jet aircraft, flying south-south-east to north-north-west, turning west, then south, crossed the ADL east of OP and recrossed it south of OP Hin.

3. Complaints by the parties:

Complaints have been received from Lebanon alleging that:

On 17 May:

(i) Between 1930 and 2055 artillery and automatic weapons fire from Israel territory fell in the vicinity of Hamoul (AMR 1658-2807), 3/ Jijin

1/ The locations of the observation posts are given in document S/11057.

2/ All times GMT.

3/ AMR - approximate map reference.

(AMR 1684-2807), Wadi El Ain Zarga (AMR 1705-2797), Naqoura (AMR 1629-2805), Aalma Ech Chaab (AMR 1675-2786), Yarine (AMR 1723-2789), Maazraat Ez Zalloutiye (AMR 1734-2795), Marouahine (AMR 1760-2792), Ramiye (AMR 1795-2795) and Meiss Et Jabal (AMR 1991-2862). Material damage was reported.

On 18 May:

- (ii) Between 0001 and 0045 an Israel warship penetrated Lebanese territorial waters off Naqoura on two occasions at a distance of from 1 to 3 kilometres from the coast and fired automatic weapons, using searchlights to direct firing.
- (iii) Between 0555 and 0615 two Israel forces jet aircraft overflew Lebanese territory on many occasions in different regions.
- (iv) Between 0600 and 1615 two Israel forces mechanized patrols penetrated Lebanese territory in the vicinity of Chebaa (AMR 2200-3055) and occupied positions at AMR 2184-3040 and AMR 2158-3052.
- (v) Between 0915 and 0945 Israel forces jet aircraft overflew Lebanese territory in different regions and on various occasions in formations of from two to five aircraft on each overflight.

Complaints (iii) and (v) were confirmed by United Nations observation (see para. 2 (a) and (b) above). Complaint (iv) was also confirmed (United Nations inquiry team in the area observed Israel forces at the locations mentioned). Complaint (i) was confirmed, except for damages, for Aalma Ech Chaab, Yarine, Maazraat Ez Zalloutiye, Marouahine and Ramiye (see S/11057/Add.477, para. 1 (c)). Regarding complaint (ii), observation was not possible owing to darkness.
