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The following information has been received from the Acting Chief of Staff of UNTSO regarding the situation in the Israel-Lebanon sector on 7 March 1974:

1. Reports on ground activity:

(a) OP Khiam: 1/ Between 0305 2/ and 0332 artillery fire by Israel forces across the armistice demarcation line.

(b) OP Ras: Between 0415 and 1555 Israel forces personnel and vehicle reoccupied position at AMR 1907-2749 3/ north of border pillar 19.

(c) OP Hin: Between 0530 and 1543 Israel forces personnel and armoured personnel carrier reoccupied position at AMR 1799-2788 near border pillar 11. Between 1801 and 1813 mortar fire by Israel forces across the armistice demarcation line.

(d) OP Mar: Between 0555 and 1558 Israel forces personnel reoccupied position at AMR 2004-2904 west of border pillar 33.

2. Reports on air activity:

(a) OP Ras: Between 0704 and 0705 two Israel forces jet aircraft, flying south to north, then turning east, crossed the armistice demarcation line south of OP and recrossed the line north-east of OP.

(b) OP Khiam: Between 0715 and 0717 one Israel forces jet aircraft, flying south to north, then turning west, crossed into Lebanon east of OP and was last observed north-west of OP. Between 0717 and 0719 one Israel forces jet aircraft, flying north-east to south-west, was first observed north-east of OP and was last observed over OP. Between 0733 and 0736 one Israel forces jet aircraft, flying

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

2/ All times GMT.

3/ AMR - approximate map reference.

east to west, then turning south, crossed into Lebanon east of OP and was last observed west-south-west of OP.

(c) OP Mar: Between 0720 and 0732 one Israel forces jet aircraft, flying east to west, turning north, then north-east, crossed the armistice demarcation line south-south-east of OP and recrossed the line north-east of OP (four times).

(d) OP Hin: Between 0828 and 0829 two Israel forces jet aircraft, flying south-south-west to north-north-east, turning west, then south-west, crossed and recrossed the armistice demarcation line west-south-west of OP.

(e) OP Lab: Between 0935 and 0937 two Israel forces jet aircraft, flying south-west to north-east, turning east, then south-east, crossed the armistice demarcation line over OP and recrossed the line east of OP.

3. Complaints by the parties:

Complaints have been received from Lebanon alleging that:

(a) During 6 and 7 March intermittent rounds of artillery fire from Israel territory fell in the vicinity of Rachaiya El Foukhar (AMR 2127-3065), El Khraibe (AMR 2104-3047), El Majidiye (AMR 2117-2987), Majdel Zoun (AMR 1714-2838) and Chihine (AMR 1744-2811). One shepherd was injured, goats were killed and material damage was reported.

(b) On 7 March between 0715 and 0720 two Israel forces jet aircraft overflew the Lebanese regions of Marjayoun (AMR 2056-3074), Nabatiye (AMR 1958-3090) and Ett Taibe (AMR 1988-2977).

(c) On 7 March between 0735 and 0740 two Israel forces jet aircraft overflew the Lebanese regions of Hasbaiya (AMR 2147-3115), Rachaiya El Ouadi (AMR 2285-3220), Nabatiye and Ett Taibe.

Complaint (a) was confirmed by United Nations observation, except for casualties and damage (see document S/11057/Add.346, para. 1 (a) and para. 1 (a) above). Complaint (b) was confirmed (see para. 2 (b) above). Complaint (c) was not confirmed; however, it could be related to air activity reported by OPs Khiam and Mar (see paras. 2 (b) and (c) above).

