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

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

1. Reports on ground activity:

(a) OP Ras: 1/ Between 0500 2/ and 1610 Israel forces personnel reoccupied position at AMR 1907-2749 3/ north of border pillar 19.

(b) OP Mar: Between 0515 and 1555 Israel forces personnel and vehicle reoccupied position at AMR 2004-2904 west of border pillar 33. Between 1812 and 1826 artillery and mortar fire by Israel forces across the armistice demarcation line.

(c) OP Hin: Between 0535 and 1540 Israel forces personnel, armoured personnel carrier and vehicle reoccupied position at AMR 1799-2788 near border pillar 11.

(d) OP Khiam: Between 1849 and 1852 artillery fire by Israel forces across the armistice demarcation line.

2. Reports on air activity:

OP Mar: Between 0429 and 0430, between 0451 and 0452 and between 0457 and 0458 one Israel forces jet aircraft, flying south-south-west to north-north-east then turning east, was first observed south-south-west of OP and recrossed armistice demarcation line north-north-east of OP.

3. Complaints by the Parties:

Complaints have been received from Lebanon alleging that:

(a) On 7 March between 1800 and 1820 artillery fire from Israel territory fell in the areas of Hamoul (AMR 1658-2807), Jijim (AMR 1684-2807), Ain Zarqa (AMR 1693-2806) and Wadi Ain Zarqa. Material damage was reported.

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

2/ All times GMT.

3/ AMR - approximate map reference.

(b) On 8 March at 0715 one Israel forces patrol and one armoured personnel carrier penetrated Lebanese territory in the region of Chebaa (AMR 2200-3055) and after firing some automatic weapon bursts occupied position at AMR 2211-3045 throughout the day.

Complaint (a) was confirmed by United Nations observation, except for damage (see document S/11057/Add.347, para. 1 (c)). Complaint (b) was not confirmed by United Nations observation.

