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Letter dated 26 October 1973 from the Permanent Representative of
Israel to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

On instructions of my Government, I draw your urgent attention to flagrant violations of the cease-fire perpetrated today by Egypt.

On 26 October 1973, at 0830 hours local time, Egyptian forces opened tank, artillery and small-arms fire in the southern sector of the Suez Canal.

On 26 October 1973 at 0900 hours local time, the Liberian tanker Sirius sailing from Eilat was attacked by Egyptian forces while passing through the Guval Straits at the entrance to the Gulf of Suez. The tanker was hit.

In this connexion, I should like to refer to the letter addressed to you by the Permanent Representative of Egypt yesterday, 25 October 1973 (S/11048), alleging an Israeli attack on the Greek tanker Mimismids. No such attack by Israeli forces had taken place and the false charge was evidently a propaganda preparation for today's aggression by Egypt.

I have the honour to request that this letter be circulated as an official document of the General Assembly and the Security Council.

(Signed) Yosef TEKOAH
Permanent Representative of Israel
to the United Nations

