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LETTER DATED 28 FEBRUARY 1970 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE
OF LEBANON TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF
THE SECURITY COUNCIL

Upon instructions from my Government, I have the honour to bring to your attention the following:

On Friday, 27 February 1970, at 10 a.m., an Israeli patrol consisting of seven soldiers crossed the Lebanese border and kidnapped four Lebanese shepherds who were tending their herds near the village of Ramysh, inside the Lebanese territory.

This premeditated, unjustified and unprovoked act of aggression by Israel against Lebanon is aimed at disrupting the peaceful life of the Lebanese civilian population in southern Lebanon and subjecting them to constant terror.

This latest act of aggression by Israel constitutes a flagrant violation of the Lebanon-Israel Armistice Agreement and of the provisions of the United Nations Charter. It is further aimed at creating a situation fraught with extreme danger, threatening the security and infringing the sovereignty of Lebanon. These Israeli acts of aggression are in line with their expansionist designs.

Once more the Government of Lebanon strongly protests this new Israeli act of aggression against Lebanon.

I respectfully request that this letter be circulated as a Security Council document.

(Signed) Edouard GHORRA
Ambassador
Permanent Representative