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LETTER DATED 9 MARCH 1969 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF
ISRAEL ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

On instructions of my Government I have the honour to bring to your urgent attention that Egyptian forces in the Suez Canal Sector are continuing their large scale aggressive armed attacks for the second consecutive day.

After having ceased fire last night at 2240 hours local time, following a five hour artillery barrage which I reported to you in my letter of yesterday, 8 March 1969, the Egyptian military forces opened a new attack this morning.

At 0830 hours local time, Egyptian forces opened fire across the Canal approximately 14 kilometres south of Kantara. This attack was followed by an all-out artillery assault at 1520 hours local time on a wide front in the Port Taufiq area and to the north of it.

I shall keep you informed of further developments in this new grave violation of the cease-fire by the United Arab Republic.

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

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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