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LETTER DATED 3 DECEMBER 1968 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE
OF JORDAN TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF
THE SECURITY COUNCIL

Further to my letter of yesterday 2 December 1968 (S/8911) and upon instructions from my Government, I have the honour to bring to Your Excellency's attention another series of Israeli attacks against Jordan of a very grave nature.

Today 3 December 1968 at 00.05 hours local time, the Israeli armed forces shelled the villages of Kum, Kufor Asad and Samma from the Israeli occupied Syrian Heights. Their shelling soon spread to cover the whole northern part of the Jordan Valley.

At 01.07 of that same day the city of Irbid was heavily shelled, and the village of Kufor Asad was bombed for more than half an hour by waves of Israeli military aircraft.

In this village alone fifteen civilians were killed and seventeen others seriously wounded, most of them elderly people, women and children. Forty houses were destroyed.

In the city of Irbid, information received so far indicates the destruction of ten houses and the damage of two civilian cars. I will communicate to Your Excellency any further details.

These Israeli indiscriminate and brutal attacks against civilians in Jordan and the persistence of the Israeli authorities to continue using naked force and aggression against Jordan make it necessary that the Security Council, the main organ entrusted with the maintenance of international peace and security, should take adequate steps to put an end to these acts of lawlessness.

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

Please accept, etc.

(Signed) Muhammad H. EL-FARRA
Ambassador
Permanent Representative