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LETTER DATED 2 JANUARY 1968 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF JORDAN
TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

Upon the instructions from my Government, I have the honour to draw the attention of Your Excellency to a new Israel violation of the cease-fire resolutions.

On 1 January 1968, at 8.20 local time, the Israel occupation forces started shelling by artillery fire the Wadi El-Yabis refugee camp.

At 9.25 local time, Israel shelling was extended to the neighbouring area, west of the refugee camp.

Firing was ceased at 9.40.

As a result of these criminal and unprovoked attacks, three civilians were killed, and six others, including a child, were seriously wounded.

Since the adoption of Security Council resolution 237 (1967) of 14 July 1967 calling upon the Israel authorities "to facilitate the return of those inhabitants who have fled the areas since the outbreak of hostilities", the Israel authorities increased their unprovoked and indiscriminate artillery shelling of refugee camps, murdering of civilians and other acts of violence. They have intensified this policy of oppression, lawlessness and terrorism to further their own political aims and ambitions.

Since Your Excellency is entrusted by the Security Council to follow the effective implementation of the above resolution, I am putting this serious matter before you with the request that adequate steps be taken to put an end to these Israel crimes.

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

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

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