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LETTER DATED 16 JANUARY 1967 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE
OF SYRIA ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

I have the honour to refer to your letter of 15 January 1967 requesting me to transmit an appeal to my Government to accept without conditions an emergency meeting of the Israel-Syria Mixed Armistice Commission, in accordance with the proposal of the Chief of Staff to discuss problems of the cultivation in the area, which have given rise to incidents in recent weeks.

This is now to confirm what I have already transmitted verbally to Your Excellency last night, as to the positive attitude of the Government of the Syrian Arab Republic vis-à-vis ISMAC. They accept without any condition the proposal of the Chief of Staff to hold an emergency meeting of the Israel-Syria Mixed Armistice Commission. In fact, General Bull has already been informed by the Syrian authorities on 11 January, of their readiness - as has always been the case - to attend the meetings of ISMAC, as provided for by the General Armistice Agreement. Likewise, the agenda proposed by the Chief of Staff for this emergency or extraordinary meeting is fully agreeable to my Government.

As the text of your letter referred to above was issued as a document of the Security Council, I shall be grateful if you would kindly circulate my reply as a document of the Security Council.

Please accept, etc.

(Signed) George J. TOMEH
Ambassador
Permanent Representative
