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LETTER DATED 25 JULY 1958 FROM THE REPRESENTATIVE  
OF THE UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC ADDRESSED TO THE  
PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

Your Excellency,

I have the honour, upon instructions from my Government, to bring to the attention of the Security Council that during the past few days, United States aircraft have continuously intercepted and tried to attack the civilian and commercial aircraft of the United Arab Republic during their normal flights to and from one region of the Republic and the other.

Moreover, the United States aircraft have daily violated the air space of the United Arab Republic in its northern region.

I am submitting the following as factual support of the foregoing:

- (1) On the 18th instant at 10.30 a.m. a U.S.A. aircraft violated the air space of our northern region, coming from Lebanon and circled over the northern villages near the border.
- (2) At 12.45 p.m. on the same day two U.S.A. aircrafts intercepted a commercial aircraft belonging to the Northern Region airlines on its normal flight from Cairo to Damascus.
- (3) At 1300 on the same day two U.S.A. aircrafts violated the air space at "El Dabboussia" area.
- (4) On the 21st instant at 0005 a U.S.A. aircraft intercepted a transport U.A.R. aircraft "Ilychin" type, west of Lydda.
- (5) At 1100 a.m. on the same day two U.S.A. aircrafts circled over the village of "Borg Eyoon", and consequently violated our air space during their return through Israel.
- (6) At 12.40 on the same day, two U.S.A. aircrafts intercepted a commercial aircraft belonging to the Northern Region airlines, during its flight from Damascus to Cairo to a point situated seventy-five miles north of Port Said.

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(7) At 1355 on the same day, two U.S.A. aircrafts intercepted a U.A.R. transport aircraft "Ilychin" type, during its flight from Damascus to Cairo at a point situated forty-five miles to the northwest of Beirut. The Government of the United Arab Republic reserves its rights in taking any action which it may deem necessary.

While requesting that this letter be circulated as an official document of the Security Council, I avail myself, etc.

(Signed) Omar Loutfi  
Permanent Representative of the  
United Arab Republic

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