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THE PALESTINE QUESTION

France, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern
Ireland, and the United States of America: revised joint
draft resolution

The Security Council,

Recalling its resolutions of 15 July 1948, 11 August 1949, 18 May 1951,
24 November 1953, and 29 March 1955;

Taking into consideration the statements of the representatives of Syria
and Israel and the reports of the Chief of Staff of the Truce Supervision
Organization on the Syrian complaint that an attack was committed by Israeli
regular army forces against Syrian regular army forces on Syrian territory on
11 December 1955;

Noting the report of the Chief of Staff that this Israeli action was a
deliberate violation of the provisions of the General Armistice Agreement,
including those relating to the Demilitarized Zone, which was crossed by the
Israeli forces which entered Syria;

Noting also from the reports of the Chief of Staff that there has been
interference by the Syrian authorities with Israeli activities on Lake Tiberias,
in contravention of the terms of the General Armistice Agreement between
Israel and Syria;

1. Holds that this interference in no way justifies the Israeli action;
2. Reminds the Government of Israel that the Council has already condemned
military action in breach of the General Armistice Agreements, whether or not
undertaken by way of retaliation, and has called upon Israel to take effective
measures to prevent such actions;

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3. Condemns the attack of 11 December as a flagrant violation of the cease-fire provisions of its resolution of 15 July 1948, of the terms of the General Armistice Agreement between Israel and Syria, and of Israel's obligations under the Charter;
4. Expresses its grave concern at the failure of the Government of Israel to comply with its obligations;
5. Calls upon the Government of Israel to do so in the future, in default of which the Council will have to consider what further measures are required to maintain or restore the peace;
6. Calls upon the parties to comply with their obligations under Article 5 of the General Armistice Agreement to respect the Armistice Demarcation Line and the Demilitarized Zone;
7. Requests the Chief of Staff to pursue his suggestions for improving the situation in the area of Lake Tiberias and to report to the Council as appropriate on the success of his efforts;
8. Calls upon both parties to co-operate with the Chief of Staff in this and all other respects, to carry out the provisions of the General Armistice Agreement in good faith, and in particular to make full use of the Mixed Armistice Commission's machinery in the interpretation and application of its provisions.

