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**Letter dated 31 July 2006 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i.
of the Permanent Mission of Lebanon to the United Nations
addressed to the President of the Security Council**

On instructions from my Government, I would like to call for an urgent session of the Security Council on Monday, 31 July 2006, to discuss the latest Israeli massacre in Qana, southern Lebanon, and the continuous escalation.

I also have the honour to request that the delegation of Lebanon be allowed to participate in the meeting without the right to vote, in accordance with rule 37 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Security Council, in the Council's discussion of the item entitled "The situation in the Middle East".

Mr. Tarek Mitri, Minister of Culture, Acting Minister for Foreign Affairs, will address the Council on that date.

(Signed) Caroline **Ziade**
Chargé d'affaires a.i.

