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**Identical letters dated 5 May 2009 from the Permanent
Representative of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the
Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council**

On instructions from my Government, I transmit to you herewith a statistical summary of Israeli violations committed from 15 to 30 April 2009 (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the sixty-third session of the General Assembly, under agenda item 15, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Nawaf Salam
Ambassador
Permanent Representative



**Annex to the identical letters dated 5 May 2009 from the
Permanent Representative of Lebanon to the United Nations
addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the
Security Council**

**Israeli violations, acts of aggression and other activities from
15 to 30 April 2009**

Air violations

On 18 April 2009, at 1400 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace. It left Lebanese airspace at 1753 hours.

On 19 April 2009:

- Between 1035 and 1140 hours, two Israeli enemy warplanes violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Yarun and heading north. They circled over all regions of Lebanon before leaving over Rumaysh;
- At 1655 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace. It left Lebanese airspace at 1700 hours.

On 20 April 2009:

- Between 1005 and 1045 hours, four Israeli enemy warplanes violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa. They circled over Beirut and the South before leaving over Alma al-Sha‘b;
- Between 0730 and 1620 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah. It circled over the South, Zahle and Baalbek before leaving over Naqurah;
- At 1010 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace at high altitude. It left Lebanese airspace at 1025 hours;
- At 1445 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah and heading north as far as Riyaq. It circled between Riyaq, Baalbek and the South before leaving over Naqurah at 0645 hours on 21 April 2009;
- Between 1830 and 1845 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Wadi al-Salihani and circling over areas of the South.

On 21 April 2009:

- Between 0700 and 2230 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah and heading north. It circled over the South and Beirut before leaving over Naqurah;
- Between 1102 and 1230 hours, two Israeli enemy warplanes violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Rumaysh and heading north. They circled over all areas of Lebanon before leaving over Alma al-Sha‘b.

On 22 April 2009, between 0840 and 2400 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah and

heading north. It circled over the South, Beirut, Riyaq and Baalbek before leaving over the sea off Naqurah.

On 26 April 2009:

- Between 0710 and 2238 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa and heading north. It circled over the South, Riyaq, Baalbek and Hirmil before leaving over Alma al-Sha‘b;
- Between 1010 and 1140 hours, two Israeli enemy warplanes violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa and heading north. They circled over all areas of the South before leaving over Alma al-Sha‘b.

On 27 April 2009:

- At 0710 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Alma al-Sha‘b and heading north. It circled over the South, Riyaq and Baalbek before leaving at 0100 hours on 28 April 2009 over Alma al-Sha‘b;
- Between 1035 and 1110 hours, six Israeli enemy warplanes violated Lebanese airspace. Four entered from over the sea off Tyre and two from over the sea off Shikka. They circled over all regions of Lebanon before leaving over Alma al-Sha‘b.

On 29 April 2009, between 1855 and 2030 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering from over the sea off Naqurah and heading north. It circled over the sea off Sidon and Beirut before leaving over the sea off Naqurah.

On 30 April 2009, between 0725 and 0755 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Alma al-Sha‘b and heading north. It proceeded to a point just east of Tyre and circled over the South before leaving over Alma al-Sha‘b.

Sea violations

On 16 April 2009, at 2010 hours, from its position at Ra’s al-Naqurah, the Israeli enemy directed a searchlight for seven seconds towards the line of buoys, some 300 metres inside Lebanese territorial waters. The enemy repeated the exercise for three seconds at 2120 hours, this time directing the searchlight some 100 metres inside Lebanese territorial waters.

On 22 April 2009, at 2210 hours, from its position at Ra’s al-Naqurah, the Israeli enemy directed a searchlight for three seconds towards a Lebanese fishing vessel located some 200 metres north of Buoy No. 2.

Acts of aggression in the field

On 24 April 2009, at 2010 hours, the whizzing of recklessly fired bullets was heard over Lebanese territory as a company from the Battalion of Engineers was surveying a mined area in order to build a road in Labbunah, near the border with occupied Palestine (Blue Line). It later became apparent that the bullets came from a target practice exercise that was being conducted by the Israeli enemy army near the border.

On 30 April 2009, at 2110 hours, the Israeli enemy, from its position at Ra's al-Naqurah, directed a searchlight for four seconds towards the Lebanese General Security position.

Israeli activities

On 28 April 2009, at 1100 hours, the Israeli enemy sounded warning sirens all along the Lebanese-Palestinian border on the occasion of the founding of the Jewish State.
