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Identical letters dated 6 February 2006 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission 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 detailed statistical table showing the number of Israeli violations of Lebanese sovereignty which occurred during January 2006, i.e., a total of 61 violations (see annex).

These violations are in contravention of the relevant Security Council resolutions, the latest of which is resolution 1655 (2006), and go against the Secretary-General's repeated calls for their cessation, most recently in his report of 18 January 2006 (S/2006/26). Lebanon counts on the United Nations to compel Israel to desist from those violations, which constitute a threat to international peace and security, and holds Israel responsible for any consequences to which those acts may give rise.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter and its annex circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 14, and of the Security Council.

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

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Statistical table showing Israeli violations of Lebanese sovereignty during January 2006

					Land violations			
Air violations				Sea violations	Military acts of aggression	Field violations	Breaches	Total violations
Military jet	Reconnaissance	Helicopter	Total	Crossing of territorial waters, artillery fire and shooting of flares and firebombs over territorial waters	Air raids, artillery shelling, shelling of military positions and important posts, attacks on and killing of civilians	Gunfire, launching of firebombs, dropping of artillery missiles, infiltration and crossing of international borders	Threats and displaying of weapons, bulldozing of soil, placing of barbed wire and setting up of installations inside Lebanese territory	-
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