Identical letters dated 21 August 2015 from the Permanent Representative of Israel to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

On Thursday, in the late afternoon, four rockets were fired from Syrian territory and struck the northern Galilee and the Golan Heights in Israel. This was an indiscriminate and premeditated terrorist attack against Israeli territory without any provocation from the Israeli side. It is important to emphasize that the launching of these rockets is not a spillover from the ongoing war in Syria, but a deliberate attack on Israel.

We have credible information that the attack was carried out by the Palestinian Islamic Jihad organization and was facilitated and directed by an Iranian operative, Saeed Izaadhi, who heads the Palestinian unit in the Iranian Revolutionary Guards Quds Force. This is another clear and blatant demonstration of Iran’s continued and unabated support for and involvement in terrorist attacks against Israel and in the region in general.

These attacks are in blatant violation of the 1974 separation of forces agreement. The Government of Israel holds Syria responsible for this and all other attacks emanating from its territory and holds Iran responsible for orchestrating this attack.

The ink has not yet dried on the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action nuclear agreement and Iran has already provided a clear indication that it will continue to act to destabilize the region. These acts are in complete violation of Security Council resolution 1373 (2001) and other mandatory Council resolutions. They offer a clear indication that Iran cannot be trusted to meet its commitments under the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action and Council resolution 2231 (2015) that endorsed the plan of action.

I call upon the Security Council to publicly condemn these attacks, to hold Syria responsible and to denounce Iran for its active and direct role in perpetrating acts of terror throughout the region. Just as this attack is not business as usual, your response to it cannot be the usual call for both sides to show restraint. This deliberate and unprovoked attack is the act of one side and one side only.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter distributed as a document of the Security Council.

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