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Identical letters dated 9 February 2022 from the Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

On instructions from my Government, I should like to convey to you the following information.

The occupying Israeli forces launched a two-pronged aerial attack against the environs of Damascus, firing salvos of missiles at approximately 0056 hours Syrian time from a point south-east of the Lebanese capital, Beirut, and surface-to-surface missiles from the occupied Syrian Golan at approximately 0110 hours Syrian time. One soldier was killed and another five were injured in the attack, which also caused material losses.

This two-pronged Israeli aggression constitutes a blatant violation of a wide range of international resolutions concerning Syria and Lebanon and a double violation of the principles of international law, the principles and purposes of the Charter of the United Nations and the relevant resolutions of the Organization, in particular Security Council resolution 350 (1974) concerning the Disengagement of Forces Agreement. Meanwhile, the international community remains silent and the United States America continues to provide a protective umbrella. Such conduct encourages the occupying Israeli entity to continue attacking the Syrian Arab Republic repeatedly and undermines and erodes the credibility of the international community and its legitimacy, which will inevitably lead to a serious crisis.

The Syrian Government warns the rulers of the Israeli entity against the repeated recurrence of the criminal, blatant and reckless violations and attacks being committed by Israel, and warns them of the risk that such violations and attacks pose to regional stability and to international peace and security. The Syrian Government reaffirms that those who commit and encourage such cowardly attacks will be tormented by the consequences thereof. It also reaffirms that Syria has the right to use all legitimate means to respond to such attacks and hold all those that are behind them fully responsible for their serious repercussions.

The Syrian Arab Republic once again draws the attention of the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council to the seriousness of the threat that these repeated and blatant Israeli violations and attacks pose to regional stability and international peace and security, and it warns that the Security Council must not continue to shirk its duty to address seriously and immediately repeated Israeli aggressions against the territory of the Syrian Arab Republic.





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The Syrian Arab Republic once again calls upon the Security Council to fulfil its responsibilities under the Charter, the most important of which is the responsibility to maintain international peace and security, and to fully implement and enforce its relevant resolutions, in particular resolutions 242 (1967), 338 (1973) and 497 (1981), by taking decisive and immediate action to compel Israel, the occupying Power, to cease its attacks on the territory of the Syrian Arab Republic, end its occupation of the Syrian Golan and withdraw from the entirety of the Syrian Golan to the line of 4 June 1967.

I should be grateful if the present letter could be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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