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**Letter dated 20 November 2017 from the Permanent Representative
of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the
Secretary-General**

I have the honour to transmit herewith information bulletins from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence on the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic for the period 15-20 November 2017 (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would arrange for this letter and its annex to be circulated as an official document of the Security Council.

(Signed) V. Nebenzia



Annex to the letter dated 20 November 2017 from the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence on the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (15 November 2017)

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The situation in the de-escalation areas has been assessed as stable.

The Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported five incidents of gunfire in the following Governorates: two in Aleppo, one in Homs, one in Damascus and one in Ladhqiyyah.

The Turkish representative office has reported five violations in Damascus Governorate.

Most incidents of small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters of the terrorist groups Nusra Front and the Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL).

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

Over the past 24 hours, the Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic carried out one humanitarian operation in Assan, in Aleppo Governorate (300 food parcels, 578 packages of bread). The total weight of the humanitarian aid was 1.7 tons.

In total, 1,677 humanitarian operations have been carried out, with a total weight of 2,292.371 tons.

One humanitarian convoy was sent through the United Nations to al-Rastan, in Homs Governorate, consisting of 46 trucks of the United Nations, the International Committee of the Red Cross and the Syrian Arab Red Crescent (products, medicines) with a total weight of 228 tons.

Over the past 24 hours, medical assistance has been provided to 172 residents.

In total, medical assistance has been provided to 64,276 residents.

Reconciliation of opposing sides

No ceasefire regime agreements were signed over the past 24 hours.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process remains unchanged at 2,269.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime continued with armed opposition groups in Aleppo, Damascus, Hama, Homs and Qunaytirah Governorates.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 234.

Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence on the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (16 November 2017)

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The situation in the de-escalation areas has been assessed as stable.

The Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported one incident of gunfire in Aleppo Governorate.

The Turkish representative office has reported five violations in Damascus Governorate.

Most incidents of small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters of the terrorist groups Nusra Front and ISIL.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

Over the past 24 hours, the Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic has carried out one humanitarian operation in Rasm al-Zabib, in Rif Damascus Governorate, consisting of 500 humanitarian packages (tinned meat, sugar, rice). The total weight of the humanitarian aid was 2.15 tons.

In total, 1,678 humanitarian operations have been carried out, with a total weight of 2,294.521 tons.

Two humanitarian convoys were sent through the United Nations:

To Tall al-Dhahab, in Dar'a Governorate, consisting of two United Nations refrigerated trucks (products, medicines) with a total weight of 12 tons;

To Tayyibah, in Dar'a Governorate, consisting of 24 United Nations refrigerated trucks (products, medicines) with a total weight of 134 tons.

Over the past 24 hours, medical assistance has been provided to 83 residents.

In total, medical assistance has been provided to 64,359 residents.

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, one ceasefire agreement was signed with Mab'ujah in Hama Governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 2,270.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime continued with armed opposition groups in Aleppo, Damascus, Hama, Homs and Qunaytirah Governorates.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 234.

Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence on the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (17 November 2017)

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The situation in the de-escalation areas has been assessed as stable.

The Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported eight incidents of gunfire in the following Governorates: two in Aleppo, two in Homs, two in Damascus, one in Ladhqiyyah and one in Dar'a.

The Turkish representative office has reported one violation in Aleppo Governorate.

Most of the incidents of small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters of the terrorist groups Nusra Front and ISIL.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

Over the past 24 hours, the Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic has carried out one humanitarian operation in Maryamayn in Homs Governorate; humanitarian packages with a total weight of 2.2 tons were delivered to the local population.

In total, 1,679 humanitarian operations have been carried out, with a total weight of 2,296.7 tons.

Over the past 24 hours, medical assistance has been provided to 210 residents.

In total, medical assistance has been provided to 64,569 residents.

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, one ceasefire regime agreement was signed with Umm al-Qasab in Homs Governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 2,271.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime continued with armed opposition groups in Aleppo, Hama, Homs, Damascus and Qunaytirah Governorates.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 234.

Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence on the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (18 November 2017)

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The situation in the de-escalation areas has been assessed as stable.

The Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported five incidents of gunfire in the following Governorates: one in Aleppo, one in Damascus and three in Homs.

The Turkish representative office has reported four violations in the following Governorates: one in Aleppo and three in Damascus.

Most of the incidents of small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters of the terrorist groups Nusra Front and ISIL.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

The Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic carried out no humanitarian operations over the past 24 hours.

In total, 1,679 humanitarian operations have been carried out.

The total weight of humanitarian aid delivered is 2,296.9 tons.

Russian military doctors provided medical assistance to two people.

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, two ceasefire regime agreements were signed with Mardaghanah and Ja'arah in Aleppo Governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 2,273.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 234.

Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence on the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (19 November 2017)

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The situation in the de-escalation areas has been assessed as stable.

The Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported six incidents of gunfire in the following Governorates: three in Ladhikiyah, two in Homs and one in Qunaytirah.

The Turkish representative office has not reported any violations.

Most of the incidents of small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters of the terrorist groups Nusra Front and ISIL.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

Over the past 24 hours, the Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic carried out two humanitarian operations in Safirah, Aleppo Governorate and Shaqraniyah, Dar'a Governorate; foodstuffs were delivered to the local population with a total weight of 3.9 tons.

In total, 1,681 humanitarian operations have been carried out; the total weight of humanitarian aid delivered is 2,300.7 tons.

Over the past 24 hours, medical assistance was provided to 383 residents.

In total, medical assistance has been provided to 64,954 residents.

A humanitarian convoy is being sent through the United Nations to Dayr al-Zawr in Dayr al-Zawr Governorate; food and medicines with a total weight of 66 tons are being delivered to the local population.

Reconciliation of opposing sides

No ceasefire regime agreements were signed over the past 24 hours.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process is unchanged — it is still 2,273.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime continued with armed opposition groups in Aleppo, Hama, Homs, Damascus and Qunaytirah Governorates.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 234.

Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence on the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (20 November 2017)

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The situation in the de-escalation areas has been assessed as stable.

The Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported six incidents of gunfire in the following Governorates: one in Aleppo, two in Homs and three in Damascus.

The Turkish representative office has reported six violations in the following Governorates: one in Aleppo, one in Idlib, three in Damascus and one in Dar'a.

Most incidents of small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters of the terrorist groups Nusra Front and the Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL).

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

The Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic carried out no humanitarian operations over the past 24 hours.

In total, 1,681 humanitarian operations have been carried out, with a total weight of 2,300.7 tons.

Over the past 24 hours, medical assistance has been provided to 74 residents.

In total, medical assistance has been provided to 65,028 residents.

A humanitarian convoy was sent through the United Nations to Dayr al-Zawr in Dayr al-Zawr Governorate; food and medicines with a total weight of 66 tons were delivered to the local population.

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, three ceasefire regime agreements were signed with Shuluh, in Homs Governorate, and Kafr Ibbish and Zahir al-Ward, in Aleppo Governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 2,276.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime continued with armed opposition groups in Aleppo, Hama, Homs, Damascus and Qunaytirah Governorates.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 234.