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# Letter dated 20 August 2018 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission 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 regarding the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic for the period 18–20 August 2018 (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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Annex to the letter dated 20 August 2018 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence regarding the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (18 August 2018)

### 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 27 incidents of gunfire in the following Governorates: 13 in Ladhiqiyah, 13 in Aleppo and 1 in Idlib.

The Turkish representative office has reported three incidents of gunfire in the following Governorates: one in Idlib, one in Aleppo and one in Hama.

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

The Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic has not carried out any humanitarian operations over the past 24 hours.

In total, 1,898 humanitarian operations have been carried out. The total weight of humanitarian cargo delivered is 2,914.26 tons.

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

In total, medical assistance has been provided to 88,174 residents.

#### **Reconciliation of opposing sides**

No ceasefire agreements have been signed over the past 24 hours.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process is 2,518.

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 regarding the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (19 August 2018)

#### 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 25 incidents of gunfire in the following Governorates: 14 in Ladhiqiyah, 10 in Aleppo and 1 in Hama.

The Turkish representative office has reported three incidents of gunfire in the following Governorates: one in Idlib, one in Ladhiqiyah and one in Hama.

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

Over the past 24 hours, the Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides has carried out three humanitarian operations.

- In Huwayt, Hama Governorate, 650 food parcels with a total weight of 2.8 tons were distributed as humanitarian aid.
- In Aqrabah, Aleppo Governorate, 650 food parcels with a total weight of 2.8 tons were distributed as humanitarian aid.
- In Kawm al-Wayisiyah, Qunaytirah Governorate, 650 food parcels with a total weight of 2.8 tons were distributed as humanitarian aid.

In total, 1,901 humanitarian operations have been carried out. The total weight of humanitarian cargo delivered is 2,922.66 tons.

Over the past 24 hours, medical assistance has been provided to 226 residents.

In total, medical assistance has been provided to 88,400 residents.

#### **Reconciliation of opposing sides**

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## Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence regarding the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (20 August 2018)

#### 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 26 incidents of gunfire in the following Governorates: 18 in Ladhiqiyah, 5 in Aleppo and 3 in Hama.

The Turkish representative office has reported three incidents of gunfire in Hama Governorate.

#### 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. Six hundred and fifty food parcels with a total weight of 2.8 tons were distributed to residents of Tabiyah, Dayr al-Zawr Governorate.

In total, 1,902 humanitarian operations have been carried out. The total weight of humanitarian cargo delivered is 2,925.46 tons.

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

In total, medical assistance has been provided to 88,407 residents.

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