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**Identical letters dated 17 May 2021 from the Permanent
Representative of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the
Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council**

On instructions from the Government of Lebanon, I should like to inform you that on 14 May 2021, during a rally of civilians in solidarity with the Palestinian people near the technical fence in the Ibil al-Qamh area in the town of Sardah, Israeli enemy soldiers opened fired in their direction into Lebanese territory. That led to injuries to Husayn Sulub, who was hit in the hand, and Muhammad Tahhan, who was hit in the hip. Both were taken to the Marj 'Uyun Government hospital for treatment. Mr. Tahhan died from his injuries shortly thereafter.

The Israeli Army also fired two Merkava tank shells into Lebanese territory. They landed in Tallat al-Hamamis. Lebanese Army patrols went to disperse the demonstrators and move them away from the technical fence. In the evening, a group of Palestinian demonstrators appeared at the Sahl al-Khiyam area. They got close to the technical fence, at which point the Israelis opened fire directly at them without anyone being injured.

These Israeli violations not only violate Security Council resolution [1701 \(2006\)](#) and other relevant international resolutions, but they also pose a direct threat to stability in the South and the region as a whole.

I reiterate that my country's Government honours its commitments under the relevant international resolutions. On its behalf, I call upon the Security Council to condemn these acts in the strongest possible terms and exercise its authority with respect to the maintenance of international peace and security by preventing Israel from repeating such acts of aggression, and compelling it to cease its air, sea and land violations of the sovereignty of Lebanon and to implement all its obligations under Security Council resolution [1701 \(2006\)](#).

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 37, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Amal **Mudallali**
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

