



## Security Council

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### **Identical letters dated 6 February 2020 from the Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council**

The occupying Israeli government continues to attack the territory of the Syrian Arab Republic in support of its armed terrorist group allies, including, in particular, the Nusrah Front, one of the terrorist groups allied with Israel that are on the Security Council list of terrorist organizations. In the morning of 6 February 2020, Israeli aircraft committed yet another brutal aggression against the Syrian Arab Republic in brazen defiance of international law and in flagrant violation of Security Council resolution [350 \(1974\)](#), concerning the Disengagement of Forces Agreement, and of the sovereignty and territory of the Syrian Arab Republic. That aggression consisted of two waves of missiles that Israeli warplanes fired from over southern Lebanon and the occupied Syrian Golan. The first wave of missiles struck at 1.12 a.m. and was targeted at the environs of Damascus, while the second struck at 1.40 a.m. and was targeted at the environs of Dar'a, Qunaytirah and Rif Dimashq Governorates.

We should like to point out to the Security Council and the States Member of the United Nations that the Israeli aggression was obviously timed to coincide with the entry of a Turkish military column comprising many trucks and armoured vehicles. The column entered from the Oğulpınar area and headed towards the Syrian interior, where it deployed along a line between the towns of Binnish, Ma'rrat Misrin and Taftanaz. The aim of that incursion was to achieve the Israeli-Turkish goal of protecting the terrorists, in particular the Nusrah Front, and preventing the Syrian Arab Army from rescuing civilians trapped by those terrorists in Idlib Governorate.

Those blatant attacks were perpetrated as part of the strategic alliance between Israel, Turkey and the terrorist groups, in particular the Nusrah Front. They are also in line with ongoing Israeli-Turkish efforts to prolong the crisis in Syria and the terrorist war that is being waged against the country and raise the morale of their scattered remaining terrorist agents, and in keeping with the direct support that Israel and Turkey provide to armed terrorist groups.

The Syrian Arab Republic will continue to exercise its constitutional and legal right to defend the security of the homeland and civilians and reaffirms that it is ready and determined to confront aggression, regardless of its designations and forms. The simultaneous efforts of Israel and Turkey and all those who support takfirist armed terrorism will not succeed in deterring Syria from protecting its citizens until the entire territory of the country is free from the tyranny of armed terrorist organizations.

Syria calls upon the Secretary-General and the Security Council to condemn this blatant Israeli-Turkish aggression, which poses a threat to international peace and



security and violates international law, the Charter of the United Nations, Security Council resolutions, in particular resolution [350 \(1974\)](#) and the resolutions of the Council concerning counter-terrorism. In addition, Israel and Turkey must be compelled to stop supporting terrorism in Syria, implement all Security Council resolutions concerning counter-terrorism and withdraw immediately from Syrian territory.

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

*(Signed)* **Bashar Ja'afari**  
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