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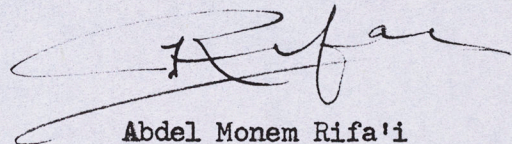
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Excellency,

I have the honour to inform you, upon instructions from my Government, that unusually large-scale Israeli troop concentrations are taking place along the Jordan-Syria armistice demarcation lines with Israel.

I am further instructed to draw your attention to the serious implications of this action, and to request you to circulate the contents of this letter to the distinguished members of the General Assembly.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurance of my highest consideration.



Abdel Monem Rifa'i
Permanent Representative

H.E. Mr. Dag Hammarskjold,
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My Government have also instructed me to inform you that they consider this action as indicative of Israeli intentions which refuse to implement the United Nations resolutions ordering them to withdraw to the positions occupied by them before their last attacks took place. My Government further consider every petition of this type as having been obtained under duress, and, therefore, refuse to admit that it carries any value as far as the wishes of the inhabitants of the Sector are concerned. My Government, I need hardly state, maintain that Israeli withdrawal is imperative for the return of peaceful conditions in the area.

H.E. Dag Hammarskjold,
Secretary-General,
United Nations,
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In view of the serious nature of the Israeli attempt, I shall be grateful if you kindly circulate this letter to the members of the General Assembly as a document.

Please accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

Abdel Monem Rifa'i
Permanent Representative
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QUESTION EXAMINEE PAR L'ASSEMBLEE GENERALE A SA PREMIERE SESSION
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Lettre en date du 21 décembre 1956 adressée au Secrétaire général par
le représentant permanent de la Jordanie auprès de l'Organisation des
Nations Unies

New-York le 21 décembre 1956

J'ai l'honneur de vous informer de ce qui suit : mon gouvernement me charge de vous faire savoir que, selon des renseignements qui lui sont parvenus, les autorités israéliennes obligent les habitants du secteur de Gaza à signer des pétitions demandant la continuation de l'occupation israélienne; les personnes qui refusent de signer ces pétitions sont envoyées en prison.

Mon gouvernement me charge également de vous informer qu'à son avis, cette action constitue un indice des intentions d'Israël qui refuse d'appliquer les résolutions des Nations Unies ordonnant aux Israéliens de se retirer jusqu'aux positions occupées avant leurs dernières attaques. Mon gouvernement estime en outre que toute pétition de ce genre a été obtenue par contrainte et il refuse donc de lui reconnaître la moindre valeur en ce qui concerne les désirs des habitants du secteur. Je n'ai guère besoin d'ajouter que mon gouvernement soutient que le retrait des Israéliens est indispensable pour le rétablissement de conditions pacifiques dans la région.

Etant donné le caractère grave de cette tentative d'Israël, je vous serais reconnaissant de faire distribuer la présente aux Etats Membres comme document de l'Assemblée générale.

Le représentant permanent du R.H. de Jordanie
auprès de l'Organisation des Nations Unies

Signé : Abdel Monem RIFA'I

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