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It results from the Syrian answer :

- a) that the draft declaration given to the Secretary-General in Damascus has become a declaration (with the addition of the words "et de l'exécution". The words "mise en oeuvre" might have been interpreted in a restricted sense, as referring particularly to the 11 August 1949 resolution).
- b) the Syrians are apparently no longer asking for an "identical" Israeli declaration but for a "declaration in similar terms". They state moreover that their declaration will "become final on the basis of reciprocity only". They do not want to be bound by their declaration if Israel refuses to make one.
- c) The Syrians have not indicated that an Israeli declaration was a condition for making their cease-fire declaration. They wait for the Israeli answer. They do not say what they will do if the answer is negative.
- d) It might be advisable in conversations with Syria to start from the assumption that they have not changed their position about not linking the cease-fire declaration with the declaration on observance of Security Council resolutions.