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Letter dated 23 February 2005 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to transmit herewith a comprehensive statistical table showing the number of Israeli violations between May 2000 and January 2005.

These grave violations are part of a series of persistent and provocative Israeli violations of Lebanese airspace and territory which are incompatible with the principles of international law, the resolutions of international legitimacy and your repeated calls for their cessation.

In view of these violations and the escalation of Israeli threats against Lebanon, its territorial integrity and people, Lebanon requests the United Nations to deter and prevent Israel from indulging in such grave acts which are a threat to international security and peace. Lebanon holds Israel fully responsible for any consequences to which those acts may give rise.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter and its annex circulated as a document of the General Assembly under agenda item 36, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Ibrahim **Assaf** Chargé d'affaires a.i. 2

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3 252	160	330	103	561	2 098	302	703	1 093	Total
99	5	21	7	17	49	6	67	16	2005 to date
1 051	58	154	22	288	529	98	236	195	2004
844	47	85	21	157	534	87	210	237	2003
492	16	30	19	49	378	38	128	212	2002
549	22	19	10	39	459	45	68	346	2001
217	12	21	24	11	149	28	34	87	2000
Total violations	Threats and display of weapons, bulldozing of soil, placing of barbed wire inside Lebanese territory	Artillery fire, gunfire, infiltration, setting up of installations inside Lebanese territory	Air-raids, shelling of military positions and important centres	Crossing of territorial waters, shooting of signal and illumination flares	Total	Helicopter	Reconnaissance	Military jet	Year
	Breaches	Field violations	Military acts of aggression	Sea violations	Air violations				
	Land violations								