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## Identical letters dated 19 August 2019 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 my Government, I draw your attention to the following:

Israel has continued its serial flagrant violations of Lebanese sovereignty and Security Council resolution 1701 (2006).

At 0020 hours and 0040 hours on 1 July 2019, nine Israeli aircraft violated Lebanese airspace and fired missiles, on two occasions, over Lebanese territory and deep into the territory of the Syrian Arab Republic.

Lebanon condemns this dangerous Israeli violation in the strongest possible terms. On several occasions, Lebanon has written to the Security Council warning of the threat posed by the manner in which Israeli warplanes have wantonly entered Lebanese airspace and felt free to violate the country's sovereignty, including in order to launch missile attacks deep into Syria.

Lebanon once again condemns these ongoing, systematic Israeli violations of Lebanese sovereignty, which reflect the pursuit by Israel of a policy of flagrant disregard for the provisions of international law, the Charter of the United Nations and the relevant authoritative international resolutions. Lebanon takes this opportunity to yet again convey its request to the Security Council – and through the Security Council to the entire international community – to apply the necessary effective pressure on Israel to cease its violations, comply with resolution 1701 (2006) in its entirety and implement all the provisions thereof without delay. The continued violation by Israel of international laws and resolutions constitutes a clear threat to regional and international security and peace.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter issued as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 38, and of the Security Council.

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



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