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LETTER DATED 4 JUNE 1982 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I. OF THE
PERMANENT MISSION OF JORDAN TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED
TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I wish to transmit to you the enclosed letter dated 4 June 1982 from the
Deputy Permanent Observer of the Palestine Liberation Organization to the United
Nations addressed to your Excellency and request that it be circulated as a
document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Saad BATAINAH
Chargé d'Affaires a.i.
Permanent Mission of Jordan
to the United Nations

Annex

Letter dated 4 June 1982 from the Deputy Permanent Observer of the
Palestine Liberation Organization to the United Nations addressed
to the President of the Security Council

I am instructed by Chairman Yasser Arafat to bring the following to your immediate attention. Waves of Israeli F-15, F-16 and F-4 fighter-bombers launched ten separate bombing attacks on Beirut and southern Lebanon today. The raids which started at 3:15pm Beirut time lasted for two hours. Israeli planes mercilessly bombed Beirut, hitting Sabra and Shatila camps. Known casualties at this time are 35 dead and 150 seriously wounded. While informing you of these casualty figures, I would hasten to caution that these figures are at this time incomplete.

The air attacks damaged the Nazareth Children's Hospital of the Palestine Red Crescent. Also the Cite Sportif was targeted, this complex is only a few hundred metres from the apartment blocks devastated by Israeli air attacks last year.

Ambulances attempting to carry the wounded from the area were targeted by Israeli planes and attacked.

This latest barbaric attack is nothing but genocidal in nature and the Palestine Liberation Organization would remind the international community of its responsibility and duties vis a vis genocide and the perpetrators of genocide.

(Signed) Hasan Abdul RAHMAN
Deputy Permanent Observer
Charge d'Affaires
