



Security Council

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The Security Council,

Having heard the statements of the representatives of Jordan and Israel,

Having noted the contents of the letters of the representatives of Jordan and Israel in documents S/8616,^{1/} S/8617,^{2/} S/8721 ^{3/} and S/8724,^{4/}

Recalling its previous resolution 248 (1968) condemning the military action launched by Israel in flagrant violation of the United Nations Charter and the cease-fire resolutions and deploring all violent incidents in violation of the cease-fire,

Considering that all violations of the cease-fire should be prevented,

Observing that both massive air attacks by Israel on Jordanian territory were of a large scale and carefully planned nature in violation of resolution 248 (1968),

Gravely concerned about the deteriorating situation resulting therefrom,

1. *Reaffirms* its resolution 248 (1968) which, inter alia, declares that grave violations of the cease-fire cannot be tolerated and that the Council would have to consider further and more effective steps as envisaged in the Charter to ensure against repetition of such acts;

2. *Deplores* the loss of life and heavy damage to property;

3. *Considers* that premeditated and repeated military attacks endanger the maintenance of the peace;

4. *Condemns* the further military attacks launched by Israel in flagrant violation of the United Nations Charter and resolution 248 (1968) and warns that if such attacks were to be repeated the Council would duly take account of the failure to comply with the present resolution.

Adopted unanimously at the 1440th meeting.

^{1/} *Ibid.*, Supplement for April, May and June 1968.

^{2/} *Ibid.*

^{3/} *Ibid.*, Supplement for July, August and September 1968.

^{4/} *Ibid.*